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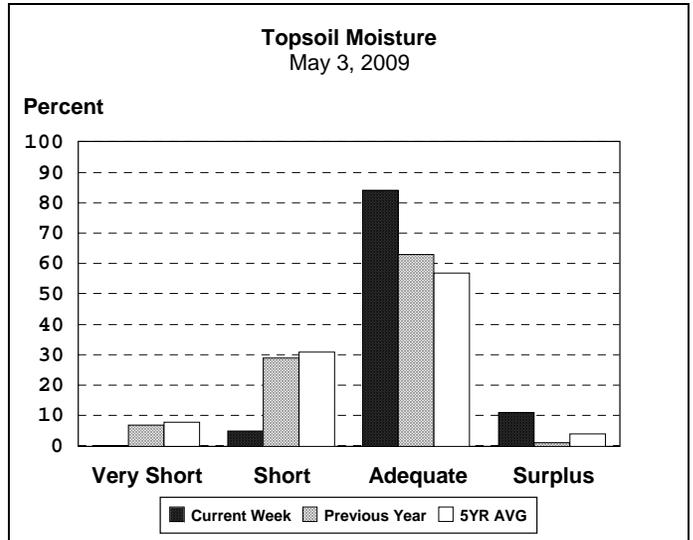
**Week of April 27 – May 3, 2009**

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Some precipitation.

Warm temperatures.

Good irrigation water supplies.

Some areas received precipitation in the form of rain and snow last week. More sunshine was needed in order for the grass to grow and for finishing planting. Winter wheat was growing while some spring grains have been seeded and were emerging. High temperatures ranged from low 50's to low 70's. Low temperatures ranged from 18 above to 33 above. Topsoil moisture levels rated adequate or better were reported at 95 percent, unchanged from the previous week.



TOPSOIL	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	0	0	7	8
Short	5	5	29	31
Adequate	84	88	63	57
Surplus	11	7	1	4

**FIELD CROP REPORT:** Total number of days suitable for field work was 4.6. Barley was reported at 73 percent planted and 26 percent emerged, 5 points above last year but 15 points below the average. Oats came in at 43 percent planted and 19 percent emerged, 2 points above 2008 but 7 points below the 5-year average. Twenty-six percent of spring wheat was planted with 11 percent emerged, 2 points below the previous year and 7 points below the average. Nineteen percent of winter wheat was jointed, 18 points above the previous year and 7 points above the average. The condition of the winter wheat came in at 89 percent good or better, up 2 points from the previous week. The planting of the dry beans just began with 4 percent planted, 4 points above 2008 as well as the average. Twelve percent of corn was planted, 1 point above 2008 but 5 points below the average. Fifty-four percent of sugarbeets were planted and 8 percent were emerged, 3 points above the previous year but 5 points below the average. Irrigation water supplies were reported at 98 percent adequate or better.

**CROP PROGRESS TABLE**

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Barley Planted	73	66	76	79
Barley Emerged	26	14	21	41
Oats Planted	43	35	57	57
Oats Emerged	19	12	17	26
Spring Wheat Planted	26	19	38	52
Spring Wheat Emerged	11	8	13	18
Winter Wheat Jointed	19	11	1	12
Sugarbeets Planted	54	35	69	79
Sugarbeets Emerged	8	0	5	13
Corn Planted	12	2	11	17
Dry Beans Planted	4	0	0	0

**CROP CONDITION TABLE**

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Winter Wht	0	1	10	82	7

**LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT:** Eighty-six percent of spring calves were born, 4 points below the 5-year average. Eighty-seven percent of farm flock ewes had lambed, 2 points above the previous year but 3 points below the average. Farm flock sheep shorn was reported at 86 percent, 5 points below the 5-year average. Lambing among range flock ewes was reported at 39 percent, up 4 points from the average. Range flock sheep shorn was set at 65 percent, up 6 points from the previous year but 3 points down from the average. The calf losses came in at 21 percent light, 69 percent normal and 10 percent heavy. Lamb losses were observed at 26 percent light, 70 percent normal and 4 percent heavy. Range and pasture conditions were at 67 percent good or better, up 6 points from last week up 34 points from the 5-year average.

**RANGE AND PASTURE FEED**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	0	0	1	9
Poor	9	11	18	20
Fair	24	28	45	38
Good	57	52	32	31
Excellent	10	9	4	2

	This Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
<b>IRRIGATION WATER</b>			
Very Short	0	1	10
Short	2	24	25
Adequate	88	75	63
Surplus	10	0	2

**WEATHER SUMMARY:** Temperatures during the week ending May 3 averaged at or below normal in all of the reporting stations. Average temperatures ranged from no deviation from normal at Laramie to 10 degrees below normal at Cody and Gillette. The high temperature was 71 at Torrington while the low was 18 degrees at Big Piney. Forty-eight percent of the reporting stations had below normal weekly precipitation. Cumulative precipitation was below normal in 11 of the 33 reporting stations. The largest precipitation for the week was 1.78 inches reported at Rawlins, 1.46 inches above normal precipitation.

**Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, May 3, 2009 <sup>1/</sup>**

	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
<b>District 1</b>									
Cody	54	25	40	-10	0.18	0.37	-0.19	1.01	-1.53
Dubois	52	19	33	-8	1.24	0.35	0.89	3.83	1.55
Greybull	62	31	45	-6	0.76	0.25	0.51	1.24	-0.72
Jeffrey City	64	25	41	-4	0.59	0.46	0.13	5.18	1.92
Lake Yellowstone	55	21	34	-8	1.02	0.35	0.67	6.31	2.47
Lander	63	29	42	-7	1.28	0.56	0.72	6.08	1.47
Powell	59	25	41	-8	0.04	0.22	-0.18	0.70	-0.51
Riverton	62	27	43	-6	0.52	0.36	0.16	2.97	1.10
Worland	65	32	45	-8	0.74	0.30	0.44	1.98	0.07
<b>District 2</b>									
Big Horn	59	26	41	-8	0.42	0.49	-0.07	6.22	1.90
Buffalo-Johnson	63	27	41	-8	0.42	0.49	-0.07	2.54	-0.84
Gillette	63	20	39	-10	0.19	0.63	-0.44	3.21	-1.34
Mid-West	69	28	42	-7	0.16	0.52	-0.36	4.06	0.01
Newcastle	64	23	44	-7	0.10	0.49	-0.39	4.92	1.31
Sheridan	60	24	42	-7	0.30	0.50	-0.20	3.97	0.44
Sundance	61	22	42	-5	0.13	0.62	-0.49	3.88	-1.01
<b>District 3</b>									
Big Piney	57	18	37	-4	0.51	0.18	0.33	1.96	-0.02
Evanston	56	20	41	-3	0.49	0.31	0.18	4.00	0.54
Jackson Hole	55	19	38	-3	0.82	0.40	0.42	7.21	-0.72
Thayne	53	23	37	-5	0.48	0.47	0.01	2.31	-3.69
<b>District 4</b>									
Casper	68	26	42	-6	0.01	0.48	-0.47	4.37	0.52
Laramie	63	25	41	0	0.82	0.33	0.49	2.37	-0.47
Rawlins	63	26	42	-5	1.78	0.32	1.46	4.96	2.02
Rock Springs	62	25	42	-3	0.71	0.28	0.43	3.40	0.35
Shirley Basin	60	22	37	-1	0.50	0.30	0.20	4.30	1.99
<b>District 5</b>									
Buford	66	23	38	-2	0.72	0.43	0.29	7.63	3.49
Cheyenne	68	28	42	-5	0.60	0.48	0.12	3.32	-0.38
Chugwater	66	29	43	-4	0.44	0.56	-0.12	5.98	1.97
Douglas	63	30	43	-6	0.11	0.53	-0.42	4.77	1.31
Lance Creek	64	27	42	-8	0.28	0.49	-0.21	5.49	2.21
Old Fort Laramie	69	29	43	-8	0.27	0.49	-0.22	4.08	0.88
Torrington	71	33	45	-6	0.28	0.52	-0.24	3.35	0.02
Wheatland	68	32	46	-5	0.30	0.48	-0.18	4.50	1.68

<sup>1/</sup> Summary based on NWS data. DFN=Departure from Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit [www.awis.com](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955