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Week of August 24 - 30, 2009

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warm temperatures.

More moisture needed.

Harvest continues.

Little moisture received last week. Dry late summer conditions and warm temperatures continued. Harvest was behind schedule. High temperatures ranged from low 80s to high 90s. Low temperatures ranged from the low 30s to low 50s. Topsoil moisture was at 74 percent adequate or better, up 19 points from last year and up 36 points from the average. Subsoil moisture was reported at 73 percent adequate up 32 points from last year and up 47 points from the average.

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
TOPSOIL				
Very Short	1	0	12	21
Short	25	24	33	41
Adequate	73	74	54	37
Surplus	1	2	1	1
SUBSOIL				
Very Short	4	N/A	19	33
Short	23	N/A	40	41
Adequate	73	N/A	41	26
Surplus	0	N/A	0	0

FIELD CROP REPORT: There were 6.5 days suitable for field work last week. Eighty-five percent of barley was mature and 58 percent harvested; 13 points below last year and 24 points below the average. Most of oats completed turning color at 95 percent with 82 percent mature, and 53 percent harvested; 21 points below 2008 and 22 points below the average. Most of winter wheat was harvested at 95 percent, 5 points below the previous year and the 5-year average. Ninety-two percent of dry beans were in bloom, 80 percent setting pods, 53 percent leaves turning color, and 3 percent windrowed; unchanged from last year but 9 points below the average. Corn was silked at 95 percent, 68 percent in the milk stage, and 21 percent in the dough stage; up 8 points from last year but down 18 points from the average. Three-fourths of alfalfa hay has been cut for the second time, and 5 percent has been cut for the third time; down 1 point from last year and down 3 points from the average. Nine-tenths of other hay has been harvested; 3 points above the previous year but 2 points below the 5-year average.

CROP CONDITION TABLE

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Oats	0	1	14	80	5
Spring Wht	0	2	19	76	3
Corn	0	2	18	80	0
Sugarbeets	0	0	7	88	5
Dry Beans	0	5	17	77	1

CROP PROGRESS TABLE

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Barley Mature	85	73	96	96
Barley Harvested	58	50	71	82
Oats Turn Color	95	91	99	98
Oats Mature	82	72	92	89
Oats Harvested	53	33	74	75
Spring Wht Turn Color	87	85	100	99
Spring Wht Mature	81	70	96	95
Spring Wht Harvested	52	30	69	81
Winter Wht Harvested	95	94	100	100
Corn Silk	95	79	87	94
Corn Milk	68	31	52	74
Corn Dough	21	6	13	39
Dry Beans in Bloom	92	82	100	100
Dry Beans Setting Pod	80	63	92	97
Dry Beans Turn Color	53	30	49	55
Dry Beans Windrowed	3	0	3	12
Alfalfa 2nd Cutting	75	58	79	83
Alfalfa 3rd Cutting	5	2	6	8
Other Hay Harvested	90	84	87	92

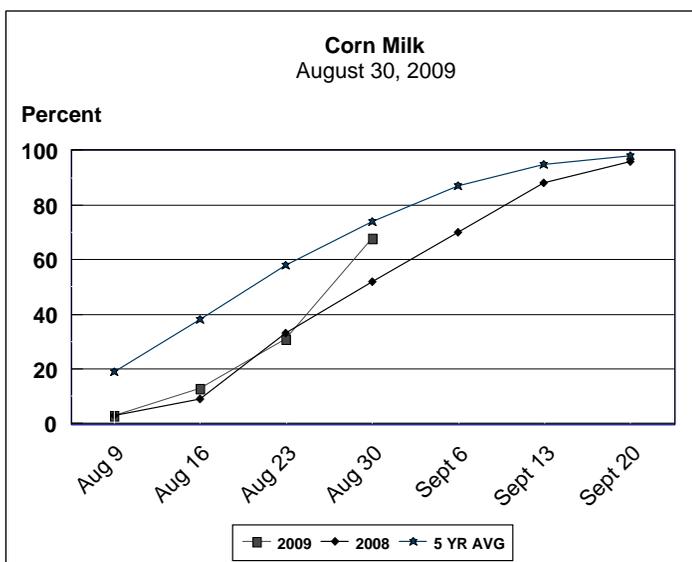
LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT: Range and pasture conditions were at 56 percent good or better, up 15 points from last year and up 28 points from the 5-year average. Stock water supplies were at 89 percent adequate or better, up 12 points from 2008 and up 38 points up from the 5-year average.

RANGE AND PASTURE FEED

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	1	0	1	19
Poor	8	6	13	20
Fair	35	33	45	33
Good	50	52	35	24
Excellent	6	9	6	4

STOCK WATER

	This Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	1	3	22
Short	10	20	27
Adequate	89	74	50
Surplus	0	3	1



WEATHER SUMMARY: Temperatures during the week ending August 30th averaged below normal at 6 of the reporting stations. Average temperatures ranged from 1 degree below normal at Worland, Big Horn, Midwest, Sundance, Lance Creek, and Wheatland to 10 degrees above normal at Buford. The high temperature was 97 at Gillette, while the low was 32 degrees at Shirley Basin. Twenty-five of the 33 reporting stations received below normal weekly precipitation and 12 received below normal cumulative precipitation. The largest precipitation for the week was 1.72 inches reported at Wheatland, which was 1.44 inches above normal precipitation.

Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, August 30, 2009 ^{1/}

	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
District 1									
Cody	88	52	68	4	0.03	0.21	-0.18	4.78	-3.21
Dubois	81	40	58	1	0.16	0.21	-0.05	9.93	3.09
Greybull	92	48	69	4	0.01	0.14	-0.13	4.65	-0.77
Jeffrey City	84	44	64	3	0.13	0.14	-0.01	9.49	1.52
Lake Yellowstone	84	43	63	6	0.27	0.28	-0.01	12.12	1.51
Lander	88	53	69	3	0.00	0.14	-0.14	12.18	2.89
Powell	88	44	65	1	0.08	0.14	-0.06	4.54	-0.81
Riverton	87	50	68	5	0.05	0.14	-0.09	7.18	1.41
Worland	92	50	68	-1	0.00	0.14	-0.14	5.00	-0.73
District 2									
Big Horn	86	41	65	-1	0.08	0.21	-0.13	13.04	2.63
Buffalo-Johnson	87	50	68	3	0.05	0.21	-0.16	11.13	1.06
Gillette	97	42	68	2	0.02	0.28	-0.26	9.52	-2.54
Midwest	90	44	66	-1	0.05	0.14	-0.09	11.19	0.83
Newcastle	94	43	68	1	0.00	0.35	-0.35	13.46	1.23
Sheridan	90	44	67	1	0.05	0.22	-0.17	9.96	-0.57
Sundance	89	42	65	-1	0.02	0.35	-0.33	14.76	0.57
District 3									
Big Piney	83	39	60	5	0.20	0.21	-0.01	8.08	2.82
Evanston	84	47	65	6	0.23	0.21	0.02	9.22	1.66
Jackson Hole	82	37	59	2	0.41	0.35	0.06	14.16	-0.10
Thayne	84	37	59	1	0.30	0.29	0.01	10.06	-2.04
District 4									
Casper	92	42	66	1	0.23	0.15	0.08	11.79	2.35
Laramie	85	40	61	3	0.17	0.26	-0.09	8.04	-0.41
Rawlins	85	43	64	1	0.03	0.17	-0.14	9.34	2.45
Rock Springs	86	49	67	5	0.03	0.14	-0.11	6.37	-0.09
Shirley Basin	84	32	57	2	0.07	0.20	-0.13	10.27	2.62
District 5									
Buford	92	46	64	10	0.34	0.35	-0.01	16.25	4.88
Cheyenne	94	45	67	4	0.19	0.36	-0.17	11.40	-0.72
Chugwater	92	43	66	3	0.17	0.34	-0.17	17.79	5.64
Douglas	95	43	68	3	0.16	0.21	-0.05	9.37	-0.21
Lance Creek	94	43	67	-1	0.50	0.28	0.22	12.33	1.91
Old Fort Laramie	94	44	68	2	0.80	0.24	0.56	11.39	0.96
Torrington	91	49	70	3	0.37	0.28	0.09	13.87	3.22
Wheatland	89	46	67	-1	1.72	0.28	1.44	13.66	3.60

^{1/} 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 or call 1-888-798-9955