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**Week of September 14 - 20, 2009**

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Small grain harvest continued.

Temperatures above normal.

Calves taken to feedlots.

The harvest of small grain crops continued. Moisture received in localized areas from thunderstorms but some parts of the state remain dry. Calves were taken to the market and feedlots. High temperatures ranged from high 70s to low 90s. Low temperatures ranged from the high 20s to high 50s. Topsoil moisture was at 70 percent adequate or better, up 5 points from last year and up 28 points from the average.

<b>TOPSOIL</b>	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	2	1	2	19
Short	28	33	33	39
Adequate	69	65	64	41
Surplus	1	1	1	1

<b>IRRIGATION WATER</b>	This Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	9	1	21
Short	2	11	20
Adequate	89	88	58
Surplus	0	0	1

**FIELD CROP REPORT:** There were 6.6 days suitable for field work last week. Eighty-seven percent of barley was harvested; 7 points below last year and 10 points below the average. Ninety-three percent of oats were harvested; 3 points below 2008 and 2 points below the five-year average. Ninety percent of spring wheat was mature and 87 percent harvested; 10 points below the previous year and the average. Winter wheat planted came in at 84 percent with 61 percent emerged; 27 points above 2008 and 12 points above the average. Ninety-four percent of dry beans were setting pods, 89 percent leaves turning color, 72 percent windrowed, and 36 percent combined; 15 points above 2008 same as the 5-year average. Seventy-six percent of corn was in the dough stage, 44 percent was dented and 16 percent was mature; up 1 point from last year but down 3 points from the average. Harvesting corn for silage was at 53 percent, 7 points above 2008 and 4 points below the average. Second cutting of alfalfa was reported at 97 percent complete and 26 percent has been cut for the third time, down 2 points from last year and down 13 points from the average. Irrigation water supplies were at 89 percent adequate or better, up 1 point from 2008 and up 30 points up from the 5-year average.

**RANGE AND PASTURE FEED**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	1	1	2	19
Poor	10	10	11	22
Fair	38	38	45	31
Good	46	46	34	24
Excellent	5	5	8	4

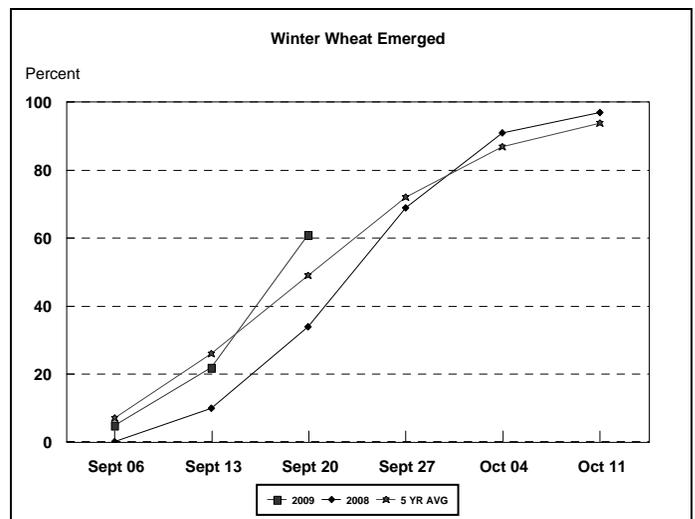
**CROP CONDITION TABLE**

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Corn	2	3	19	76	0
Sugarbeets	0	0	7	87	6
Dry Beans	0	5	19	76	0

**CROP PROGRESS TABLE**

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Barley Harvested	87	75	94	97
Oats Harvested	93	89	96	95
Spring Wht Mature	90	86	100	100
Spring Wht Harvested	87	82	97	97
Winter Wht Planted	84	52	87	84
Winter Wht Emerged	61	22	34	49
Corn Dough	76	60	83	89
Corn Dent	44	16	55	65
Corn Mature	16	0	15	19
Corn Silage	53	19	46	57
Dry Beans Setting Pod	94	90	100	100
Dry Beans Turn Color	89	84	95	97
Dry Beans Windrowed	72	41	46	61
Dry Beans Combined	36	7	21	36
Alfalfa 2nd Cutting	97	93	97	98
Alfalfa 3rd Cutting	26	17	28	39

**LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT:** Range and pasture conditions were at 50 percent good or better, up 8 points from last year and up 22 points from the 5-year average.



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**WEATHER SUMMARY:** Temperatures during the week ending September 20<sup>th</sup> averaged above normal at all of the reporting stations. Average temperatures ranged from 5 degrees above normal at Laramie, Cheyenne, and Wheatland to 15 degrees above normal at Buffalo-Johnson. The high temperature was 92 at Sheridan, while the low was 29 degrees at Shirley Basin. Twenty seven of the 33 reporting stations received below normal weekly precipitation and 13 received below normal cumulative precipitation. The largest precipitation for the week was 0.65 inches reported at Evanston, which was 0.33 inches above normal precipitation.

**Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, September 20, 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	88	52	70	13	0.00	0.28	-0.28	4.78	-3.98
Dubois	83	38	57	8	0.17	0.28	-0.11	10.10	2.43
Greybull	90	48	70	14	0.09	0.21	-0.12	4.74	-1.24
Jeffrey City	83	35	59	6	0.06	0.21	-0.15	9.68	1.20
Lake Yellowstone	85	40	62	12	0.13	0.28	-0.15	12.57	1.02
Lander	86	50	68	10	0.12	0.28	-0.16	12.40	2.38
Powell	88	38	65	11	0.00	0.19	-0.19	4.55	-1.27
Riverton	84	48	66	11	0.01	0.21	-0.20	7.20	0.81
Worland	91	45	69	10	0.00	0.21	-0.21	5.03	-1.27
<b>District 2</b>									
Big Horn	89	48	69	13	0.33	0.35	-0.02	13.40	2.07
Buffalo-Johnson	90	56	71	15	0.00	0.35	-0.35	11.14	0.14
Gillette	91	49	70	14	0.01	0.35	-0.34	9.75	-3.25
Midwest	87	42	66	9	0.00	0.21	-0.21	11.30	0.38
Newcastle	89	47	68	9	0.00	0.24	-0.24	13.71	0.67
Sheridan	92	45	69	12	0.05	0.35	-0.30	10.10	-1.35
Sundance	87	49	67	11	0.00	0.28	-0.28	15.00	-0.08
<b>District 3</b>									
Big Piney	78	35	59	12	0.00	0.21	-0.21	8.09	2.20
Evanston	78	45	60	8	0.65	0.32	0.33	9.87	1.43
Jackson Hole	81	39	60	10	0.50	0.28	0.22	14.78	-0.45
Thayne	80	38	59	9	0.56	0.42	0.14	10.62	-2.60
<b>District 4</b>									
Casper	87	36	65	9	0.08	0.21	-0.13	11.93	1.87
Laramie	78	33	57	5	0.50	0.21	0.29	8.79	-0.38
Rawlins	80	39	62	7	0.30	0.21	0.09	9.73	2.29
Rock Springs	79	47	62	9	0.10	0.21	-0.11	6.47	-0.58
Shirley Basin	82	29	56	9	0.36	0.23	0.13	10.72	2.42
<b>District 5</b>									
Buford	80	41	59	10	0.05	0.35	-0.30	16.60	4.15
Cheyenne	80	40	61	5	0.11	0.35	-0.24	12.38	-0.80
Chugwater	83	39	62	7	0.21	0.28	-0.07	17.87	4.82
Douglas	88	41	66	9	0.03	0.28	-0.25	9.60	-0.74
Lance Creek	91	43	67	8	0.00	0.21	-0.21	12.40	1.21
Old Fort Laramie	86	40	63	6	0.00	0.28	-0.28	11.51	0.25
Torrington	87	46	66	8	0.01	0.33	-0.32	14.10	2.54
Wheatland	84	41	64	5	0.07	0.31	-0.24	14.05	3.08

<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