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**Week of September 21 - 27, 2009**

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** More moisture needed.

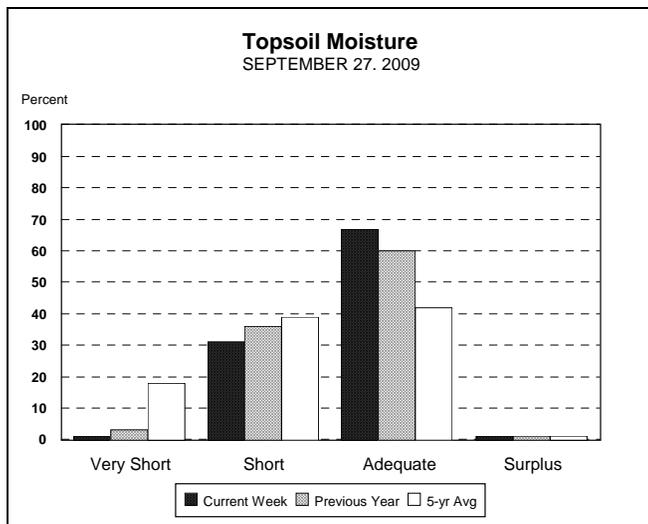
Cool nights.

Some areas reported not enough alfalfa re-growth for third cutting.

Some areas continued to report grasshopper infestation. Night temperatures have cooled off. Operators were rounding up their livestock due to morning freeze. Third cutting of alfalfa will not get completed in some areas since the first and second cuttings were late. So there wasn't enough time for re-growth. High temperatures ranged from low 70s to high 80s. Low temperatures ranged from 20 to 40. Topsoil moisture was at 68 percent adequate or better, up 7 points from last year and up 25 points from the average. Subsoil moisture was at 61 percent adequate or better, up 19 points from last year and up 33 points from the average.

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
<b>TOPSOIL</b>				
Very Short	1	2	3	18
Short	31	28	36	39
Adequate	67	69	60	42
Surplus	1	1	1	1

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
<b>SUBSOIL</b>				
Very Short	10	N/A	18	33
Short	29	N/A	40	39
Adequate	61	N/A	42	28
Surplus	0	N/A	0	0



**FIELD CROP REPORT:** There were 6.0 days suitable for field work last week. Ninety-five percent of barley was harvested; 2 points below last year and 4 points below the average. Ninety-six percent of oats were harvested; 3 points below 2008 and 2 points below the five-year average. All of spring wheat was mature and 98 percent harvested; 1 point below the previous year and the average. Winter wheat planted came in at 90 percent with 72 percent emerged; 3 points above 2008 and unchanged from the average. All of dry beans were setting pods, 94 percent leaves turning color, 81 percent windrowed, and 61 percent combined; 15 points above 2008 and 8 points above the 5-year average. Eighty-two percent of corn was in the dough stage, 52 percent was dented, 23 percent was mature, and 2 percent was harvested; up 2 points from last year and the average. Harvesting corn for silage was at 71 percent, unchanged from 2008 but 8 points below the average. Forty-four percent of alfalfa has been cut for the third time, up 6 points from last year but down 9 points from the average.

**CROP CONDITION TABLE**

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Corn	2	3	19	76	0
Sugarbeets	0	0	6	87	7
Dry Beans	0	6	19	74	1

**STOCK WATER**

	This Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	1	18	33
Short	14	40	39
Adequate	85	42	28
Surplus	0	0	0

**CROP PROGRESS TABLE**

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Barley Harvested	95	87	97	99
Oats Harvested	96	93	99	98
Spring Wht Harvested	98	87	99	99
Winter Wht Planted	90	84	98	93
Winter Wht Emerged	72	61	69	72
Sugarbeets Emerged	4	0	0	1
Corn Dough	82	76	91	94
Corn Dent	52	44	71	77
Corn Mature	23	16	37	34
Corn Harvested	2	N/A	0	0
Corn Harv for Silage	71	53	71	79
Dry Beans Turn Color	94	89	99	99
Dry Beans Windrowed	81	72	70	75
Dry Beans Combined	61	36	46	53
Alfalfa 3rd Cutting	44	26	38	53

**RANGE AND PASTURE FEED**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	1	1	2	19
Poor	10	11	12	21
Fair	39	38	47	32
Good	46	47	33	24
Excellent	4	3	0	4

**LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT:** Range and pasture conditions were at 50 percent good or better, up 11 points from last year and up 22 points from the 5-year average. Stock water supplies were at 85 percent adequate or better, up 4 points from 2008 and up 32 points up from the 5-year average.

**WEATHER SUMMARY:** Temperatures during the week ending September 27th averaged at or below normal at 14 of the 33 reporting stations. Average temperatures ranged from 4 degrees below normal at Laramie, Rawlins, and Wheatland to 8 degrees above normal at Greybull. The high temperature was 89 at Worland and Sheridan, while the low was 20 degrees at Big Piney. Twenty-four of the 33 reporting stations received below normal weekly precipitation and 14 received below normal cumulative precipitation. The largest precipitation for the week was 0.90 inches reported at Midwest, which was 0.69 inches above normal precipitation.

**Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, September 27, 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	79	37	57	3	0.00	0.28	-0.28	4.78	-4.26
Dubois	80	23	50	3	0.13	0.28	-0.15	10.23	2.28
Greybull	86	33	61	8	0.00	0.21	-0.21	4.74	-1.45
Jeffrey City	83	27	50	-2	0.42	0.21	0.21	10.10	1.41
Lake Yellowstone	80	28	54	7	0.00	0.28	-0.28	12.57	0.74
Lander	87	36	59	4	0.28	0.28	0.00	12.68	2.38
Powell	86	30	56	4	0.01	0.19	-0.18	4.56	-1.45
Riverton	88	37	58	5	0.13	0.21	-0.08	7.33	0.73
Worland	89	30	59	3	0.01	0.21	-0.20	5.04	-1.47
<b>District 2</b>									
Big Horn	87	34	57	4	0.34	0.35	-0.01	13.74	2.06
Buffalo-Johnson	85	36	58	4	0.11	0.35	-0.24	11.25	-0.10
Gillette	85	36	57	3	0.16	0.35	-0.19	9.91	-3.44
Midwest	85	33	53	-3	0.90	0.21	0.69	12.20	1.07
Newcastle	82	40	57	0	0.24	0.28	-0.04	13.95	0.63
Sheridan	89	32	58	4	0.10	0.35	-0.25	10.20	-1.60
Sundance	85	34	55	2	0.24	0.32	-0.08	15.24	-0.16
<b>District 3</b>									
Big Piney	80	20	51	6	0.00	0.16	-0.16	8.09	2.04
Evanston	76	34	55	6	0.10	0.31	-0.21	9.97	1.22
Jackson Hole	79	25	53	5	0.05	0.28	-0.23	14.83	-0.68
Thayne	78	25	51	3	0.00	0.39	-0.39	10.62	-2.99
<b>District 4</b>									
Casper	85	33	54	-1	1.12	0.27	0.85	13.05	2.72
Laramie	77	30	47	-4	0.25	0.21	0.04	9.04	-0.34
Rawlins	80	28	50	-4	0.18	0.21	-0.03	9.91	2.26
Rock Springs	80	30	55	4	0.08	0.21	-0.13	6.55	-0.71
Shirley Basin	73	22	43	-3	0.25	0.21	0.04	10.97	2.46
<b>District 5</b>									
Buford	76	29	46	-2	0.52	0.34	0.18	17.12	4.33
Cheyenne	80	34	51	-3	0.18	0.30	-0.12	12.56	-0.92
Chugwater	83	35	52	-2	0.26	0.28	-0.02	18.13	4.80
Douglas	86	37	55	2	0.48	0.25	0.23	10.08	-0.51
Lance Creek	87	34	55	-2	0.39	0.21	0.18	12.79	1.39
Old Fort Laramie	87	33	53	-3	0.10	0.21	-0.11	11.61	0.14
Torrington	88	38	56	-1	0.22	0.28	-0.06	14.32	2.48
Wheatland	84	37	54	-4	0.25	0.28	-0.03	14.30	3.05

<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