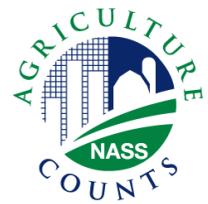




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AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Fall brought cooler temperatures but no measurable precipitation for the State.

High temperatures ranged from 71 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 87 degrees in Torrington. Low temperatures ranged from 22 degrees in Shirley Basin to 44 degrees in Lander and Rock Springs. There were no reporting stations reporting at least a tenth an inch of rain last week. Uinta County reported dry conditions, early shipping of livestock and very poor grazing and water conditions for livestock. Converse County reported some frost throughout the county and extremely poor range conditions. Weather conditions allowed for 7 days of field work. Producers were busy planting wheat, harvesting corn for silage, dry beans, sugar beets, and hay and tending to livestock.

SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

Topsoil	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	60	58	6	9
Short	36	37	45	38
Adequate	4	5	48	52
Surplus	0	0	1	1

FIELD CROP REPORT: Winter wheat planting is well under way at 79 percent planted, behind 82 percent planted last year and 87 percent for the average. Emergence is behind previous years at 33 percent emerged. Corn progress stages remain ahead of previous years as corn in the dough stage is 96 percent complete, dented is 81 percent complete, and 45 percent of the crop is matured. Seventy percent of the corn silage has been harvested ahead of 49 percent last year and 59 percent for the average. Dry beans also remain ahead of previous years as 55 percent have been combined. Sugar beet harvest is also early this year as 20 percent has been harvested, compared to none last year, and 2 percent for the average.

IRRIGATION WATER SUPPLIES

	This Week	As of 9/10	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	24	25	N/A	N/A
Short	35	30	N/A	N/A
Adequate	41	45	N/A	N/A
Surplus	0	0	N/A	N/A

CROP CONDITION TABLE

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Corn	8	17	34	34	7
Sugarbeets	0	0	28	61	11
Dry Beans	2	4	38	44	12

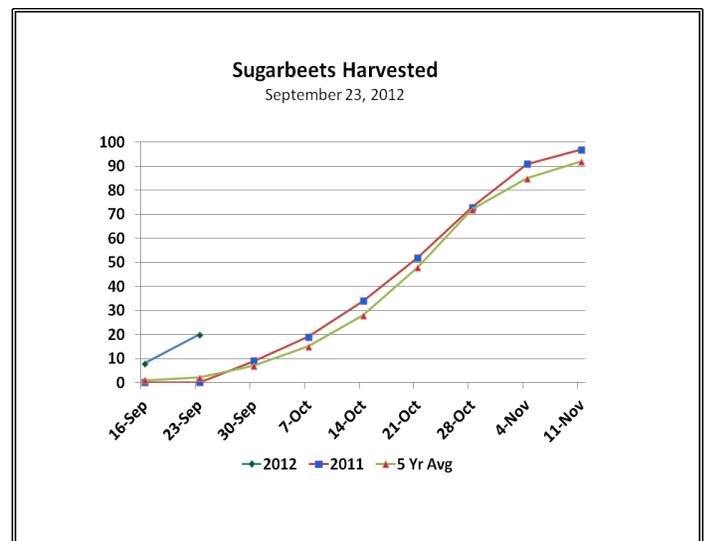
CROP PROGRESS TABLE

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Winter Wheat Planted	79	58	82	87
Winter Wheat Emerged	33	3	39	57
Corn Dough	96	92	94	90
Corn Dent	81	66	74	70
Corn Mature	45	21	22	31
Corn Harvested	1	--	0	3
Corn Silage	70	37	49	59
Dry Beans Turn Color	98	94	97	96
Dry Beans Windrowed	76	65	69	72
Dry Beans Combined	55	42	42	45
Sugar beets Harvested	20	8	0	2
Alfalfa 3rd Cutting	67	56	34	42
Other Hay Harvested	95	94	99	99

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE REPORT: Range and pasture conditions are unchanged from last week at 86 percent poor to very poor, 11 percent fair and 3 percent good. Livestock conditions were rated 10 percent poor, 32 percent fair and 58 percent good to excellent.

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITIONS

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	59	59	2	2
Poor	27	27	12	15
Fair	11	11	25	36
Good	3	3	56	41
Excellent	0	0	5	6



WEATHER SUMMARY: Average temperatures ranged from 48 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 63 degrees in Lander. Temperatures were above average in 31 of the 33 reporting stations. Temperatures were 10 degrees above normal in Big Piney, Buford, Evanston and Rock Springs. The Midwest reporting station received the most precipitation at 0.07 inch. The Worland reporting station has received the least amount of precipitation since January 1 at 2.13 inches, followed by Riverton at 2.22 inches, Greybull at 2.34 inches and Big Piney at 2.35 inches. Lake Yellowstone has received the most at 15.55 inches and is the only station receiving above normal precipitation for the year.

Weather Data for the Week Ending September 23, 2012 ^{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	82	35	59	3	0	0.28	-0.28	2.99	-5.93
Dubois	79	31	54	7	0	0.28	-0.28	4.29	-3.54
Greybull	84	42	62	8	0	0.21	-0.21	2.34	-3.76
Jeffrey City	79	32	55	4	0	0.21	-0.21	3.20	-5.40
Lake Yellowstone	71	28	48	7	0.06	0.35	-0.29	15.55	0.16
Lander	80	44	63	7	0	0.28	-0.28	4.87	-5.31
Powell	81	39	59	6	0.04	0.21	-0.17	3.55	-2.39
Riverton	80	42	61	7	0	0.21	-0.21	2.22	-4.29
Worland	85	41	62	5	0	0.21	-0.21	2.13	-4.29
District 2									
Big Horn	83	35	60	6	0.01	0.35	-0.34	9.85	-1.68
Buffalo-Johnson	78	39	61	6	0	0.35	-0.35	7.53	-3.67
Gillette	81	33	58	4	0.01	0.35	-0.34	7.93	-5.27
Midwest	83	38	59	4	0.07	0.21	-0.14	5.38	-5.66
Newcastle	79	41	59	3	0.06	0.25	-0.19	7.88	-5.32
Sheridan	84	35	60	5	0	0.35	-0.35	7.03	-4.62
Sundance	82	40	58	3	0	0.29	-0.29	12.63	-2.62
District 3									
Afton	80	28	55	6	0	0.42	-0.42	9.47	-3.94
Big Piney	78	32	56	10	0	0.19	-0.19	2.35	-3.64
Evanston	78	41	61	10	0	0.34	-0.34	3.37	-5.26
Jackson Hole	79	30	54	5	0	0.28	-0.28	7.93	-7.46
District 4									
Casper	81	36	59	4	0.01	0.24	-0.23	6.64	-3.57
Laramie	76	32	54	4	0	0.21	-0.21	4.04	-5.25
Rawlins	78	34	57	3	0	0.21	-0.21	3.46	-4.10
Rock Springs	79	44	62	10	0	0.21	-0.21	3.26	-3.91
Shirley Basin	78	22	51	6	0	0.21	-0.21	5.91	-2.51
District 5									
Buford	82	39	58	10	0	0.35	-0.35	8.18	-4.47
Cheyenne	80	39	58	4	0	0.33	-0.33	7.40	-5.96
Chugwater	83	37	59	5	0	0.28	-0.28	6.80	-6.41
Douglas	83	36	60	5	0.01	0.28	-0.27	3.98	-6.52
Lance Creek	83	35	59	2	0	0.21	-0.21	4.73	-6.58
Old Fort Laramie	86	32	56	0	0	0.24	-0.24	4.96	-6.42
Torrington	87	40	61	4	0.01	0.29	-0.28	5.89	-5.83
Wheatland	79	37	59	0	0	0.28	-0.28	5.22	-5.91

^{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