



# Wyoming Crop Progress

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## Week of October 14 - 20, 2013

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Wyoming experienced fall-like temperatures and precipitation statewide.

High temperatures ranged from 45 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 66 degrees in Torrington. Low temperatures ranged from 11 degrees in Lake Yellowstone to 28 degrees in Gillette. Eight stations reported receiving at least a half inch of rain with Big Horn receiving the most precipitation at 0.94 inch, followed by Sundance at 0.91 and Dubois at 0.71 inch. All stations received some precipitation.

Converse County received the fourth snow of the season over the weekend. Lincoln County reported dry conditions after monsoon rains earlier in the season. Farming operations are wrapping up for the year as small grain harvest is completed. Recent precipitation has aided winter grazing prospects. Livestock are being moved from summer ranges to winter pastures. Row crop harvest continues near average pace.

### SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
<b>Topsoil</b>				
Very Short	3	NA	50	14
Short	15	NA	41	29
Adequate	74	NA	9	55
Surplus	8	NA	0	2
<b>Subsoil</b>				
Very Short	7	NA	37	15
Short	28	NA	57	37
Adequate	64	NA	6	48
Surplus	1	NA	0	0

**FIELD CROP REPORT:** Weather conditions allowed for 4.0 days of field work. Topsoil moisture improved to 82 percent adequate to surplus, and 18 percent short to very short. Ninety-six percent of the winter wheat crop has emerged, same as average. Forty-five percent of the sugarbeets have been harvested, 5 points behind the 5-year average. Thirteen percent of the Corn for grain has been harvested, 15 points behind average. Corn silage harvest is wrapping up with 95 percent complete. Seventy-six percent of the dry beans have been combined, 12 points behind average. Eighty-seven percent of the third cutting of alfalfa is complete, 5 points ahead of the 5-year average and 5 points ahead of last year.

### CROP CONDITION TABLE

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Corn	1	5	23	54	17
Sugarbeets	0	0	24	59	17
Winter Wheat	0	1	18	77	4

### CROP PROGRESS TABLE

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Winter Wheat Emerged	96	NA	95	96
Dry Beans Combined	76	NA	96	88
Corn in Mature	95	NA	95	87
Corn Harvested	13	NA	43	28
Corn Silage Harvested	95	NA	98	96
Sugar beets Harvested	45	NA	76	50
Alfalfa 3rd Cut	87	NA	82	82

**LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE REPORT:** Stock water supplies improved to 84 percent adequate to surplus, 10 points better than average. Range and pasture condition improved to 34 percent good to excellent, 31 percent fair and 35 percent poor to very poor.

### RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITIONS

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	9	NA	61	14
Poor	26	NA	25	14
Fair	31	NA	11	31
Good	28	NA	3	37
Excellent	6	NA	0	4

### STOCK WATER SUPPLIES

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	2	NA	21	6
Short	14	NA	42	20
Adequate	79	NA	37	74
Surplus	5	NA	0	0

**WEATHER SUMMARY:** Average temperatures ranged from 29 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 43 degrees in Torrington. Temperatures were below normal in all 33 stations. Temperatures ranged from 4 degrees below normal in both Big Piney and Buford to 12 degrees below normal in Cody. All reporting stations reported some precipitation, ranging from 0.01 inch in Jackson Hole to 0.94 inch in Big Horn. Eighteen stations are reporting above normal precipitation for the year thus far.

**Weather Data for the Week Ending October 20, 2013 <sup>1/</sup>**

	Monthly Air Temperature				Monthly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
<b>District 1</b>									
Cody	61	21	36	-12	0.38	0.21	0.17	9.62	-0.15
Dubois	54	22	35	-7	0.71	0.14	0.57	11.69	3.16
Greybull	55	25	40	-6	0.49	0.14	0.35	6.43	-0.24
Jeffrey City	56	23	36	-8	0.24	0.17	0.07	11.66	2.32
Lake Yellowstone	45	11	29	-6	0.41	0.28	0.13	17.73	1.22
Lander	61	24	39	-8	0.52	0.29	0.23	14.48	3.10
Powell	58	22	36	-8	0.14	0.14	0.00	7.75	1.28
Riverton	58	24	39	-8	0.20	0.14	0.06	8.37	1.26
Worland	58	22	39	-9	0.33	0.14	0.19	7.74	0.63
<b>District 2</b>									
Big Horn	60	24	39	-7	0.94	0.32	0.62	16.74	3.94
Buffalo-Johnson	59	26	39	-8	0.38	0.22	0.16	10.67	-1.55
Gillette	58	28	40	-7	0.73	0.36	0.37	18.50	3.90
Midwest	58	27	37	-11	0.50	0.28	0.22	13.25	1.22
Newcastle	58	24	38	-10	0.18	0.31	-0.13	21.89	7.57
Sheridan	61	20	40	-7	0.66	0.28	0.38	17.25	4.40
Sundance	59	25	38	-8	0.91	0.35	0.56	20.30	3.74
<b>District 3</b>									
Afton	48	20	34	-7	0.49	0.34	0.15	13.91	-0.84
Big Piney	56	16	35	-4	0.08	0.14	-0.06	4.11	-2.40
Evanston	55	22	38	-6	0.01	0.28	-0.27	4.33	-5.34
Jackson Hole	54	18	34	-6	0.08	0.28	-0.20	6.67	-9.70
<b>District 4</b>									
Casper	59	26	38	-8	0.49	0.28	0.21	13.34	2.09
Laramie	59	19	34	-9	0.38	0.19	0.19	9.93	-0.12
Rawlins	58	24	36	-10	0.32	0.21	0.11	7.16	-1.18
Rock Springs	56	26	38	-6	0.16	0.21	-0.05	3.68	-4.27
Shirley Basin	56	16	30	-7	0.28	0.14	0.14	8.55	-0.57
<b>District 5</b>									
Buford	61	23	37	-4	0.47	0.20	0.27	19.02	5.48
Cheyenne	59	22	37	-9	0.69	0.14	0.55	16.27	2.14
Chugwater	62	24	38	-8	0.38	0.21	0.17	17.78	3.73
Douglas	59	22	39	-8	0.39	0.16	0.23	6.33	-4.90
Lance Creek	59	24	39	-10	0.11	0.21	-0.10	13.03	0.86
Old Fort Laramie	62	22	39	-8	0.20	0.18	0.02	11.93	-0.20
Torrington	66	26	43	-5	0.40	0.21	0.19	12.00	-0.62
Wheatland	58	24	40	-11	0.39	0.21	0.18	9.96	-2.05

<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