



# WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 24, 2020

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Wyoming experienced mostly above normal temperatures for the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Precipitation across Wyoming for the week ending May 24<sup>th</sup> was mostly below normal. The parts of Wyoming rated as abnormally dry by the National Integrated Drought Information System have expanded in the Wind River Range, North Central part of the state and Southwestern part of the state. A reporter from North Central Wyoming reported that dry conditions exist and some producers are adjusting herd size in anticipation of poor pasture conditions. Another reporter from North Central Wyoming expressed concern that pasture production will be down due to the low precipitation totals this spring. A third reporter from North Central Wyoming indicated conditions are getting very dry. A reporter from Western Wyoming noted that they need some moisture and warmer weather to get rangeland growing. A reporter from Southeastern Wyoming indicated that the alfalfa growth has been delayed by cool weather this spring, but first cutting will be starting soon. Another reporter from Southeastern Wyoming stated that they have only received about half of typical moisture levels. A third reporter from Southeastern Wyoming noted that they did get some rain this past week and some warmer temperatures. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 5 percent short and 95 percent adequate, compared to 3 percent short and 97 percent adequate last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 6 percent fair, 93 percent good, and 1 percent excellent.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Emerged.....	91	83	81	84
Jointed.....	4	1	23	6
Corn				
Planted .....	84	65	79	75
Emerged.....	41	28	32	34
Dry edible beans				
Planted .....	25	1	14	14
Sugarbeets				
Planted .....	99	88	100	92
Emerged.....	76	57	64	48
Winter wheat				
Jointed.....	60	37	78	61
Booted.....	10	1	29	7
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved .....	96	94	NA	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambed .....	94	89	82	86
Sheep shorn .....	96	92	NA	NA

NA – not available

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### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELD WORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork .....	6.3	6.1	2.2	3.9
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	2	2	--	2
Short.....	23	30	8	16
Adequate.....	74	67	73	64
Surplus .....	1	1	19	18
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	1	4	--	4
Short.....	27	26	4	15
Adequate.....	72	70	81	73
Surplus .....	--	--	15	8

NA – not available

(--) – zero

**CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION**

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
<b>Alfalfa hay</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	1	1	NA
Fair.....	17	21	24	NA
Good.....	66	57	61	NA
Excellent.....	17	21	14	NA
<b>Barley</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	6	1
Fair.....	9	9	25	9
Good.....	79	79	69	83
Excellent.....	12	12	--	7
<b>Other hay</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	5	3	NA
Fair.....	8	7	24	NA
Good.....	91	88	71	NA
Excellent.....	1	--	2	NA
<b>Pasture and range</b>				
Very poor .....	--	1	--	1
Poor.....	3	5	5	6
Fair.....	23	26	35	25
Good.....	70	61	57	58
Excellent.....	4	7	3	10
<b>Sugarbeets</b>				
Very poor .....	--	NA	--	NA
Poor.....	--	NA	7	NA
Fair.....	1	NA	22	NA
Good.....	99	NA	71	NA
Excellent.....	--	NA	--	NA
<b>Winter wheat</b>				
Very poor .....	4	4	3	2
Poor.....	4	4	3	5
Fair.....	13	17	38	41
Good.....	75	67	52	43
Excellent.....	4	8	4	9
<b>Livestock</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	1	--
Poor.....	1	1	4	1
Fair.....	5	7	22	12
Good.....	91	91	72	78
Excellent.....	3	1	1	9

NA – not available

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