



COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 5, 2016

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Last week, heat units increased in frequency, resulting in steady to improved conditions while development of some crops was stimulated, according to the Mountain Region Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Isolated precipitation fell in greatest concentrations east of the Front Range toward the earlier half of last week. While localized stripe rust and other infestations continued to be observed, reporters indicated application of chemicals to wheat and similar countermeasures on other crops were occurring in varying capacity throughout affected areas. Development of winter wheat was about on par with the last year and on average, with crop conditions rated 69 percent good to excellent, compared with 50 percent good to excellent last year. Stored feed supplies were rated 5 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 17 percent surplus. Sheep death loss was 62 percent average and 38 percent light. Cattle death loss was 80 percent average and 20 percent light.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa				
1 st cutting	34	20	12	31
Barley				
Emerged	95	92	96	98
Headed	2	--	5	5
Corn				
Planted	98	94	90	97
Emerged	85	65	67	79
Dry beans				
Planted	28	19	36	42
Emerged	7	5	12	11
Potatoes inside San Luis Valley				
Emerged	19	1	19	29
Potatoes outside San Luis Valley				
Emerged	89	84	93	75
Sorghum				
Planted	32	20	39	40
Emerged	11	5	18	8
Spring wheat				
Emerged	71	53	83	90
Headed	1	--	10	7
Sugarbeets				
Emerged	99	94	97	89
Sunflowers				
Planted	23	16	10	27
Winter wheat				
Headed	89	67	92	79
Turning color	15	4	17	19

NA – not available
(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.0	4.9	4.4	5.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	1	1	1	20
Short	8	6	9	27
Adequate	78	79	75	48
Surplus	13	14	15	5
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	2	2	4	24
Short	10	9	16	30
Adequate	82	80	73	44
Surplus	6	9	7	2

NA – not available
(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa				
Very poor	--	--	--	4
Poor.....	1	1	5	10
Fair.....	12	12	41	30
Good	68	70	39	44
Excellent	19	17	15	12
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	--	--	--	2
Fair.....	14	13	23	30
Good	53	57	62	51
Excellent	33	30	15	16
Corn				
Very poor	1	1	--	2
Poor.....	2	2	2	4
Fair.....	20	23	35	28
Good	58	52	61	58
Excellent	19	22	2	8
Livestock				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	1	3
Fair.....	10	11	14	27
Good	77	76	71	62
Excellent	12	12	14	8
Onions				
Very poor	--	--	3	1
Poor.....	--	--	11	5
Fair.....	1	1	20	18
Good	78	80	52	65
Excellent	21	19	14	11
Pasture and range				
Very poor	5	5	4	19
Poor.....	6	7	17	24
Fair.....	20	21	22	26
Good	57	55	42	26
Excellent	12	12	15	5
Potatoes outside San Luis Valley				
Very poor	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	1	NA
Fair.....	7	13	10	NA
Good	78	72	74	NA
Excellent	15	15	15	NA
Spring wheat				
Very poor	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Fair.....	6	5	40	NA
Good	87	90	58	NA
Excellent	7	5	2	NA
Sugarbeets				
Very poor	1	1	--	--
Poor.....	2	3	1	3
Fair.....	19	22	19	22
Good	70	71	62	60
Excellent	8	3	18	15
Winter wheat				
Very poor	1	1	2	17
Poor.....	9	10	17	19
Fair.....	21	21	31	32
Good	55	55	39	27
Excellent	14	13	11	5

NA – not available

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