



Colorado Wheat Administrative Committee

Colorado Wheat Outlook

As of May 20, 2022

★ Wheat Progress – 2022 Crop

May 15, 2022

Winter Wheat

Pastured: 8%	Last Year: N/A	5-yr ave: N/A
Jointed: 74%	Last Year: 83%	5-yr ave: 80%
Headed: 6%	Last Year: 4%	5-yr ave: 15%

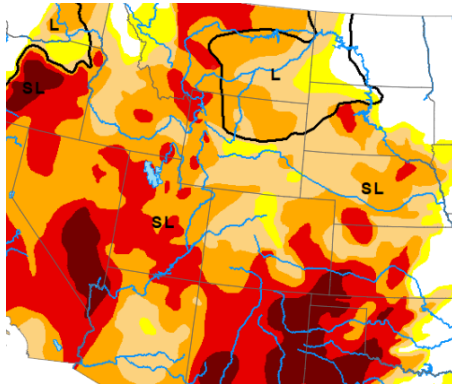
★ 2022 Winter Wheat Condition

April 24:	18% Very Poor	29% Poor	36% Fair	16% Good	1% Excellent
May 1:	23% Very Poor	34% Poor	31% Fair	12% Good	0% Excellent
May 8:	24% Very Poor	34% Poor	31% Fair	11% Good	0% Excellent
May 15:	20% Very Poor	25% Poor	36% Fair	18% Good	1% Excellent

★ Regional drought map

Colorado as of May 17, 2022

100%	Abnormally dry
93.5%	Moderate drought
63.9%	Severe drought
23.0%	Extreme drought
2.6%	Exceptional drought



★ Moisture

As of May 15, 2022

Topsoil:

30%	Very Short
30%	Short
40%	Adequate
0%	Surplus

Subsoil:

33%	Very Short
41%	Short
26%	Adequate
0%	Surplus

Colorado Wheat Stocks

As of March 1, 2022

- Total stocks: 24.8 million bushels (down 11% from year ago)
- On-farm stocks: 4.5 million bushels (down 30% from year ago)
- Off-farm stocks: 20.3 million bushels (down 5% from year ago)

2022 Colorado Winter Wheat

As of May 1, 2022

- Winter wheat production in Colorado, based on conditions as of May 1, 2022, is forecast at 49.60 million bushels according to USDA-NASS
- This forecast is 29 percent below last year's production of 69.56 million bushels but 21 percent above the 41.04 million bushel crop produced two years ago.
- Acreage for harvest, forecast at 1.60 million acres, is 280,000 acres less than a year ago.
- Average yield is forecast at 31.0 bushels per acre, down 6.0 bushels per acre from last year's yield.

World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates

As of May 12, 2022

- The outlook for 2022/23 U.S. wheat is for reduced supplies, exports, domestic use stocks, and higher prices.
- U.S. 2022/23 wheat supplies are projected down 3 percent, as lower beginning stocks more than offset a larger harvest.
- All wheat production for 2022/23 is projected at 1,729 million bushels, up 83 million from last year, as higher yields more than offset a slight decrease in harvested area.
- The all wheat yield, projected at 46.6 bushels per acre, is up 2.3 bushels from last year.
- The first survey-based forecast for 2022/23 winter wheat production is down 8 percent from last year as lower
- Abandonment for Winter Wheat is the highest since 2002 with the highest levels in Texas and Oklahoma.

Sources: USDA NASS www.nass.usda.gov | droughtmonitor.unl.edu

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★ Identifies data changed since last report