



# Montana Crop Progress



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## Livestock Report

Pasture conditions continued to improve due to cool temperatures and widespread precipitation. Range and pasture conditions are below last year but above the 5 year average with 50 percent good to excellent compared to 51 percent and 40 percent respectively. Producers have begun to move livestock off summer ranges below last year's rate with 2 percent of cattle and 7 percent of sheep moved.

Range and Livestock Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
<b>Range and Pasture Feed Condition</b>				
Very Poor	4	4	5	11
Poor	13	15	8	15
Fair	33	34	36	34
Good	37	37	42	32
Excellent	13	10	9	8
<b>Livestock Moved from Summer Ranges</b>				
Cattle & Calves	2	2	8	10
Sheep & Lambs	7	7	10	10

## Soil Report

Soil moisture conditions improved across the state following a series of rainstorms. Topsoil moisture rated adequate and surplus is 86 percent compared with 49 percent last year and the 5 year average of 44 percent. Subsoil moisture was rated 84 percent adequate and surplus compared to 57 percent last year and the 5 year average of 49 percent.

Soil Moisture and Field Work Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
<b>Topsoil Moisture</b>				
Very Short	4	8	11	17
Short	10	20	40	39
Adequate	60	52	46	42
Surplus	26	20	3	2
<b>Subsoil Moisture</b>				
Very Short	3	5	13	15
Short	13	24	30	36
Adequate	71	58	53	47
Surplus	13	13	4	2
<b>Days Suitable for Field Work</b>				
Days	3.6	3.4	6.5	6.4

## Field Crops Report

Days suitable for field work were 3.6 days compared to 6.5 days last year. Another week of precipitation caused flooding in some areas, in turn delaying harvest and causing small grains to sprout. For other areas, the precipitation had a positive impact, allowing sugar beet conditions to improve slightly. Winter wheat harvest is wrapping up with 95 percent harvested, which is ahead of the 5 year average but just behind last year at this time.

Crop Progress and Condition Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
<b>Turning</b>				
Canola	96	93	100	99
Flaxseed	89	89	100	98
Durum Wheat	91	89	100	91
<b>Harvested</b>				
Barley	63	51	83	62
Canola	56	47	73	51
Corn for Silage	5	1	5	10
Dry Beans	39	21	50	33
Dry Peas	82	76	83	88
Flaxseed	7	3	42	55
Alfalfa-2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting	78	72	79	78
Other Hay-2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting	59	54	63	63
Lentils	76	51	69	80
Oats	64	56	72	68
Durum Wheat	17	10	28	35
Spring Wheat	46	35	58	51
Winter Wheat	95	93	96	93
<b>Corn</b>				
Very Poor	0	0	3	2
Poor	3	3	2	4
Fair	30	32	42	30
Good	52	50	34	48
Excellent	15	15	19	16
<b>Potatoes</b>				
Very Poor	0	0	13	na
Poor	0	0	12	na
Fair	5	5	19	na
Good	73	74	30	na
Excellent	22	21	26	na
<b>Sugar beets</b>				
Very Poor	1	1	0	2
Poor	1	4	4	5
Fair	12	13	33	29
Good	46	45	46	43
Excellent	40	37	17	21
<b>Durum Wheat</b>				
Very Poor	5	4	6	na
Poor	11	11	8	na
Fair	39	38	31	na
Good	44	46	38	na
Excellent	1	1	17	na
<b>Spring Wheat</b>				
Very Poor	2	1	3	na
Poor	5	4	5	na
Fair	41	39	21	na
Good	45	47	61	na
Excellent	7	9	10	na

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