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Livestock Report

Range and pasture conditions are above the 5-year average with 53 percent good to excellent compared to 32 percent, respectively. Producers continue moving livestock off summer ranges as needed ahead of cooler weather. Cattle are being moved slightly below the 5-year average with 54 percent moved but sheep are being moved above the 5-year average with 74 percent moved. Some supplemental feeding of livestock has begun with 1 percent of both cattle and sheep being fed.

Range and Livestock Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
Range and Pasture Feed Condition				
Very Poor	3	3	na	15
Poor	12	12	na	19
Fair	32	32	na	34
Good	41	41	na	26
Excellent	12	12	na	6
Livestock Moved from Summer Ranges				
Cattle & Calves	54	40	na	55
Sheep & Lambs	74	52	na	62
Livestock Receiving Supplemental Feed				
Cattle & Calves	1	na	na	na
Sheep & Lambs	1	na	na	na

na – Not Available

Soil Report

Topsoil moisture conditions declined in the surplus category over last week but remain above the 5-year average for this time. Topsoil moisture rated adequate and surplus is 85 percent compared with the 5-year average of 58 percent. Subsoil moisture was rated 85 percent adequate and surplus compared to the 5-year average of 49 percent.

Soil Moisture and Field Work Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
Topsoil Moisture				
Very Short	2	2	na	13
Short	13	13	na	29
Adequate	78	77	na	54
Surplus	7	8	na	4
Subsoil Moisture				
Very Short	2	2	na	17
Short	13	13	na	34
Adequate	77	78	na	47
Surplus	8	7	na	2
Days Suitable for Field Work				
Days	6.6	4.6	na	na

na – Not Available

Due to a lapse in federal funding in October 2013, the Crop Progress reports for the weeks ending October 6, 2013 and October 13, 2013 were canceled. Therefore, previous year estimates for the corresponding weeks will not be available. Five-year estimates will reflect the years 2009-2013 using published estimates for 2009-2012 and imputed estimates for 2013.



Field Crops Report

Days suitable for field work were 6.6 days thanks to a mostly dry week with some warmer days. The warm, dry days aided harvest of most crops but slowed sugarbeet harvest. The warm weather was ideal for winter wheat seeding, however, which is nearing completion above the 5-year average with 92 percent planted. Emergence was also above the 5-year average at 52 percent emerged.

Crop Progress and Condition Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
Harvested				
Corn for Grain	32	19	na	10
Corn for Silage	95	89	na	88
Dry Beans	90	85	na	94
Flaxseed	91	90	na	97
Other Hay-2 nd Cutting	97	92	na	95
Potatoes	54	40	na	63
Sugar Beets	16	11	na	33
Durum Wheat	98	78	na	93
Planted				
Winter Wheat	92	79	na	81
Emerged				
Winter Wheat	52	26	na	41
Corn				
Very Poor	0	1	na	1
Poor	2	2	na	5
Fair	30	31	na	28
Good	53	52	na	47
Excellent	15	14	na	19
Potatoes				
Very Poor	0	0	na	na
Poor	0	0	na	na
Fair	5	5	na	na
Good	73	73	na	na
Excellent	22	22	na	na
Sugar beets				
Very Poor	1	1	na	1
Poor	1	1	na	6
Fair	15	14	na	28
Good	41	42	na	47
Excellent	42	42	na	18

na – Not Available

Weather Information for the Week ending 10/12/14

Station ID	Temperature					GDDs		Precipitation			October 1 to Date			
	Hi	LOW	AVG	B50	DFN	This Week		April 1 to Date			October 1 to Date			
						Total	DFN	Total	DFN	%NRM	Total	DFN	%NRM	
NORTHWEST														
Alberton	84	34	58	57	+52	0.44	+0.23	7.45	-1.00	88	0.51	+0.15	142	
Corvallis	80	35	56	44	+36	0.27	+0.06	5.38	-2.42	69	0.27	-0.09	75	
Creston	78	35	56	41	+41	0.21	-0.07	12.22	-0.25	98	0.27	-0.22	55	
Deer Lodge	76	30	51	17	+17	0.03	-0.11	8.84	+0.40	105	0.03	-0.24	11	
Hamilton	82	34	58	55	+50	0.31	+0.15	5.30	-2.64	67	0.31	+0.00	100	
Heron	76	34	55	36	+33	0.13	-0.28	12.76	-0.09	99	0.32	-0.35	48	
Kalispell	77	33	56	41	+41	0.05	-0.16	10.44	+0.66	107	0.42	+0.06	117	
Libby	74	35	55	36	+36	0.13	-0.22	10.22	+0.00	100	0.21	-0.37	36	
Missoula	80	37	58	58	+53	0.32	+0.11	5.65	-2.80	67	0.40	+0.04	111	
Olney	74	29	51	14	+14	0.03	-0.25	11.49	+0.14	101	0.27	-0.21	56	
Polson	80	39	59	66	+57	0.09	-0.17	8.92	-1.26	88	0.09	-0.37	20	
Saint Ignatius	82	38	59	63	+55	0.52	+0.24	7.79	-2.95	73	0.52	+0.04	108	
Seeley Lake	76	30	54	28	+26	0.20	-0.08	11.66	+2.05	121	0.22	-0.26	46	
Superior	83	36	59	62	+52	0.13	-0.08	6.95	-1.68	81	0.22	-0.14	61	
Thompson Falls	79	38	58	58	+45	0.23	-0.10	9.48	-0.64	94	0.23	-0.30	43	
Yaak	76	28	52	19	+14	0.00	-0.58	8.95	-4.83	65	0.00	-0.98	0	
NORTH CENTRAL														
Brady	78	36	56	42	+33	0.00	-0.21	10.16	+0.45	105	0.26	-0.10	72	
Bynum	74	38	56	45	+43	0.00	-0.14	12.48	+1.54	114	0.25	+0.01	104	
Chester	76	35	54	26	+21	0.00	-0.14	10.34	+1.90	123	0.24	+0.00	100	
Chinook	75	33	51	18	+14	0.00	-0.18	13.32	+2.98	129	0.18	-0.16	53	
Choteau	74	31	53	26	+14	0.00	-0.14	10.02	+1.23	114	0.13	-0.11	54	
Cut Bank	78	34	56	43	+42	0.01	-0.13	12.25	+1.93	119	0.51	+0.26	204	
Dunkirk	79	37	54	30	+24	0.00	-0.21	7.62	-3.31	70	0.13	-0.23	36	
Fort Assiniboine	76	35	53	24	+15	0.04	-0.17	10.31	+0.16	102	0.52	+0.16	144	
Fort Benton	81	34	55	40	+23	0.01	-0.20	11.08	+0.68	107	0.16	-0.20	44	
Fort Belknap	73	30	51	18	+10	0.03	-0.13	18.26	+8.91	195	0.43	+0.12	139	
Goldbutte	73	26	50	16	+10	0.00	-0.21	13.97	+3.04	128	0.25	-0.11	69	
Have	75	31	54	28	+21	0.00	-0.14	8.48	-0.14	98	0.29	+0.02	107	
Heart Butte	76	37	55	41	+41	0.19	-0.23	21.35	+7.87	158	1.25	+0.55	179	
Loma	82	35	56	43	+34	0.00	-0.21	10.15	+0.18	102	0.12	-0.24	33	
Port of Morgan	71	28	49	6	-2	0.10	-0.04	14.52	+5.44	160	0.11	-0.17	39	
Malta	72	33	53	26	+20	0.03	-0.18	13.40	+3.11	130	0.24	-0.12	67	
Rudyard	78	37	54	29	+21	0.00	-0.14	8.21	-0.06	99	0.26	+0.02	108	
Saco	73	31	51	15	+11	0.05	-0.10	17.10	+7.98	187	0.05	-0.25	17	
Shelby	77	31	55	36	+31	0.00	-0.14	9.66	+0.30	103	0.80	+0.56	333	
Turner	72	27	51	17	+11	0.13	+0.01	15.19	+5.94	164	0.17	-0.08	68	
Zortman	68	38	51	15	+5	0.05	-0.15	17.63	+6.39	157	1.03	+0.68	294	
NORTHEAST														
Bredette	73	24	48	6	+0	0.00	-0.18	12.63	+1.73	116	0.23	-0.10	70	
Brockway	73	28	49	6	-2	0.00	-0.21	16.81	+7.05	172	0.20	-0.19	51	
Circle	75	27	52	25	+16	0.18	-0.06	17.62	+7.12	168	0.53	+0.09	120	
Culbertson	74	26	51	19	+11	0.01	-0.20	10.94	-0.37	97	0.42	+0.01	102	
Glasgow	74	31	52	22	+15	0.04	-0.14	11.84	+2.83	131	0.18	-0.15	55	
Glendive	75	32	53	28	+16	0.25	-0.02	16.88	+5.99	155	0.74	+0.27	157	
Jordan	75	29	53	25	+16	0.00	-0.21	11.26	+1.27	113	0.02	-0.38	5	
Nashua	73	31	51	19	+1	0.04	-0.17	14.09	+4.29	144	0.13	-0.24	35	
Plentywood	74	25	47	9	+4	0.01	-0.19	16.66	+5.91	155	0.69	+0.33	192	
Saint Marie	70	32	51	15	+8	0.00	-0.18	12.15	+3.14	135	0.06	-0.27	18	
Savage	73	28	50	15	+4	0.13	-0.15	13.31	+1.94	117	0.31	-0.17	65	
Scobey	72	20	48	12	+10	0.00	-0.14	13.29	+2.80	127	0.12	-0.15	44	
Sidney	73	28	50	16	+5	0.10	-0.17	15.34	+4.03	136	0.97	+0.50	206	
Wolf Point	75	27	51	23	+13	0.05	-0.13	12.46	+2.79	129	0.17	-0.16	52	
CENTRAL														
Denton	70	34	52	17	+17	0.32	+0.09	11.81	-0.30	98	0.52	+0.09	121	
Grass Range	73	33	53	27	+18	0.26	+0.05	19.01	+6.37	150	0.48	+0.09	123	
Great Falls	79	35	56	43	+35	0.00	-0.21	13.58	+2.70	125	0.20	-0.18	53	
Harlowton	70	31	49	7	+0	0.00	-0.21	13.27	+2.18	120	0.00	-0.36	0	
Helena	79	37	60	70	+64	0.01	-0.13	6.78	-1.69	80	0.18	-0.10	64	
Holter Dam	78	32	57	53	+30	0.05	-0.16	10.09	+0.21	102	0.22	-0.14	61	
Judith Gap	72	35	53	23	+22	0.00	-0.21	14.59	+2.76	123	0.08	-0.28	22	
Lewistown	74	38	56	42	+37	0.37	+0.09	14.23	+1.15	109	0.45	-0.03	94	
Melstone	76	35	56	42	+25	0.16	-0.12	10.45	-0.93	92	0.16	-0.32	33	
Millegan	74	32	52	22	+22	0.31	+0.02	15.24	+2.12	116	0.80	+0.26	148	
Neihart	71	33	53	24	+18	0.38	+0.03	14.47	-1.19	92	1.04	+0.43	170	
Roundup	76	34	56	46	+30	0.26	-0.02	15.05	+4.58	144	0.26	-0.22	54	
Ryegate	76	38	57	51	+41	0.25	+0.04	14.54	+5.07	154	0.34	-0.02	94	
Stanford	70	34	53	25	+15	0.23	-0.01	15.26	+2.13	116	0.59	+0.15	134	
Townsend	78	34	55	36	+26	0.00	-0.14	7.96	-0.48	94	0.05	-0.19	21	
Valentine	77	34	52	21	+16	0.10	-0.06	13.95	+3.54	134	0.26	-0.05	84	
White Sulphur Springs	73	31	54	33	+30	0.02	-0.24	11.34	+1.25	112	0.06	-0.40	13	
SOUTHWEST														
Boulder	73	28	52	19	+15	0.00	-0.14	7.87	-1.06	88	0.00	-0.24	0	
Bozeman	74	38	55	38	+29	0.47	+0.09	13.58	+0.05	100	0.61	-0.07	90	
Butte	71	32	52	15	+15	0.11	-0.10	10.45	+1.06	111	0.14	-0.22	39	
Dillon	76	36	57	51	+45	0.05	-0.09	8.45	+0.46	106	0.05	-0.22	19	
Divide	76	19	53	29	+29	0.13	-0.04	9.68	+0.53	106	0.13	-0.19	41	
Ennis	78	32	54	30	+23	0.20	-0.05	10.24	+0.10	101	0.34	-0.11	76	
Logan	72	35	47	8	+5	0.00	-0.28	13.77	+3.23	131	0.22	-0.26	46	
Twin Bridges	74	35	54	31	+27	0.09	-0.05	8.89	+0.78	110	0.09	-0.19	32	
West Yellowstone	69	25	46	0	+0	0.14	-0.14	13.42	+2.36	121	0.36	-0.12	75	
Wisdom	75	22	50	18	+18	0.13	-0.05	8.53	+0.35	104	0.14	-0.19	42	
SOUTH CENTRAL														
Big Timber	75	38	56	46	+38	0.00	-0.35	10.94	-0.91	92	0.00	-0.60	0	
Billings	80	39	58	59	+43	0.11	-0.18	8.22	-1.90	81	0.15	-0.39	28	
Busby	76	31	55	36	+27	0.16	-0.19	11.88	+1.75	117	0.34	-0.26	57	
Gardiner	75	34	53	26	+15	0.15	-0.03	9.52	+2.50	136	0.24	-0.09	73	
Hardin	79	35	58	54	+34	0.24	-0.09	12.11	+3.45	140	0.30	-0.28	52	
Huntley	80	34	56	43	+34	0.21	-0.07	9.81	-0.50	95	0.27	-0.24	53	
Hysham	76	37	57	48	+32	0.33	+0.05	13.45	+3.35	133	0.35	-0.18	66	
Joliet	76	34	53	26	+18	0.00	-0.39	12.01	+1.11	110	0.02	-0.64	3	
Livingston	78	36	58	60	+51	0.22	-0.06	11.04	-0.73	94	0.31	-0.20	61	
Melville	69	33	54	30	+30	0.21	-0.07	14.56	+1.21	109	0.21	-0.27	44	
Pompey's Pillar	75	33	53	23	+11	0.32	+0.04	9.01	-1.27	88	0.42	-0.11	79	
Rapelje	76	36	55	40	+29	0.52	+0.24	12.10	+0.94	108	0.53	+0.00	100	
Red Lodge	75	32	54	33	+28	0.12	-0.37	13.00	-2.42	84	0.17	-0.67	20	
Wilsall	70	32	52	23	+22	0.00	-0.35	14.70	-0.20	99	0.06	-0.55	10	
Yellowtail	80	41	58	57	+24	0.08	-0.40	12.23	-0.20	98	0.18	-0.65	22	
SOUTHEAST														
Baker	73	30	50	16	+7	0.05	-0.24	13.15	+1.94	117	0.70	+0.16	130	
Biddle	79	36	55	37	+28	0.54	+0.22	10.56	-0.65	94	0.54	-0.03	95	
Brandenberg	77	30	55	34	+20	0.30	-0.05	11.49	+1.12	111	0.34	-0.26	57	
Broadus	75	36	57	50	+39	0.24	-0.06	9.95	-0.04	100	0.39	-0.11	78	
Colstrip	73	34	54	32	+20	0.27	-0.08	13.01	+2.21	120	0.39	-0.21	65	
Ekalaka	71	34	52	24	+15	0.25	-0.1							