

MONTANA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 11, 2017

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Storms brought moisture to the western part of the state, slowing fieldwork, while Eastern Montana remained hot and dry according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Central areas of the state had the highest precipitation with some areas receiving as much as an inch of moisture. Reporters in eastern areas have reported that dry conditions are prompting ranchers to sell cow/calf pairs due to poor grazing conditions and noted that crops are suffering from lack of moisture. Temperatures reached 97 degrees in the Northeast and Southeast regions.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Emerged.....	86	76	95	96
Boot stage.....	5	1	27	23
Camelina				
Planted.....	80	70	93	93
Emerged.....	44	30	71	71
Canola				
Planted.....	85	80	95	98
Emerged.....	40	27	86	89
Corn				
Planted.....	98	96	NA	NA
Emerged.....	80	75	85	86
Dry edible beans				
Planted.....	95	92	NA	NA
Emerged.....	72	64	87	65
Blooming.....	1	NA	NA	NA
Dry edible peas				
Emerged.....	87	81	98	97
Blooming.....	12	1	18	16
Durum wheat				
Emerged.....	66	50	89	77
Boot stage.....	1	NA	5	NA
Flaxseed				
Emerged.....	56	42	75	82
Lentils				
Emerged.....	77	69	96	92
Blooming.....	6	--	16	12
Mustard seed				
Planted.....	90	80	NA	NA
Emerged.....	42	32	88	87
Oats				
Planted.....	78	74	NA	NA
Emerged.....	64	57	NA	NA
Boot stage.....	4	--	21	18
Potatoes				
Planted.....	87	83	94	90
Emerged.....	57	45	51	54
Safflower				
Planted.....	35	27	80	89
Emerged.....	16	9	56	72
Spring wheat				
Planted.....	97	96	100	99
Emerged.....	83	78	97	92
Boot stage.....	10	--	29	18
Sugarbeets				
Emerged.....	95	94	81	95
Winter wheat				
Boot stage.....	82	55	93	73
Headed.....	39	18	62	33
Cattle and calves				
Moved to summer ranges.....	93	91	95	92
Receiving supplemental feed.....	15	4	1	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved to summer ranges.....	91	88	94	90
Receiving supplemental feed.....	17	6	1	NA

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	6.3	6.5	5.8	5.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	26	15	8	6
Short.....	30	28	18	21
Adequate.....	42	53	68	64
Surplus.....	2	4	6	9
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	10	5	8	7
Short.....	26	16	25	22
Adequate.....	58	74	63	63
Surplus.....	6	5	4	8

NA – not available

(--)- zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Very poor.....	3	3	--	--
Poor.....	4	6	1	4
Fair.....	22	32	30	36
Good.....	62	51	42	42
Excellent.....	9	8	27	18
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	6	5	--	2
Fair.....	40	39	31	37
Good.....	48	52	60	48
Excellent.....	6	4	9	13
Dry edible beans				
Very poor.....	1	1	--	NA
Poor.....	7	1	4	NA
Fair.....	77	70	43	NA
Good.....	13	25	46	NA
Excellent.....	2	3	7	NA
Dry edible peas				
Very poor.....	10	6	1	2
Poor.....	16	12	3	3
Fair.....	51	56	29	29
Good.....	18	21	53	54
Excellent.....	5	5	14	12
Lentils				
Very poor.....	5	2	2	3
Poor.....	14	7	2	4
Fair.....	53	59	34	33
Good.....	24	29	53	56
Excellent.....	4	3	9	4
Oats				
Very poor.....	12	7	--	1
Poor.....	12	9	2	3
Fair.....	44	51	29	33
Good.....	23	30	62	55
Excellent.....	9	3	7	8
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	9	11	4	4
Poor.....	13	13	11	14
Fair.....	28	28	39	37
Good.....	31	35	38	37
Excellent.....	19	13	8	8
Spring wheat				
Very poor.....	11	7	1	1
Poor.....	20	4	2	3
Fair.....	46	41	24	31
Good.....	16	45	54	54
Excellent.....	7	3	19	11
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	10	10	--	5
Fair.....	63	63	9	27
Good.....	25	25	82	56
Excellent.....	2	2	9	11
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	4	4	2	2
Poor.....	9	7	6	8
Fair.....	42	42	28	31
Good.....	33	31	40	41
Excellent.....	12	16	24	18

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Montana’s weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Montana/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2017/MT_Weather_06112017.pdf