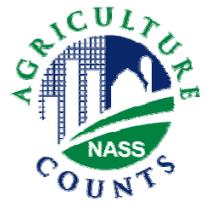




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Report to the Climate Issues Committee from USDA/NASS

USDA/NASS publishes a weekly Crop Progress summary each week from April through November and then monthly through the winter months. Our most recent report was issued on November 30, 2009.

The complete report is on the next page.

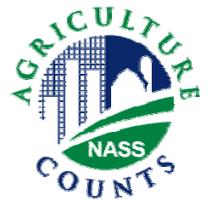
Cool wet weather was favorable to most crops with many recording record yields or expected record yields. However the crops progressed behind normal and harvest has lagged. More acres of wheat were abandoned than normal due to hail. Sugar beets received substantial damage in Big Horn and Park County due to an early October hard freeze. Acreage for harvest was lowered by 5,000 acres from our October crop production to our November Crop Production report. The final assessment will be determined through our December Agriculture Survey that is being conducted through mid-December. Corn Harvest has lagged way behind but has begun to catch up due to the drier weather over the last couple of weeks.

Pastures are in better condition than last year as well as stock water supplies.

The variability in moisture can be seen in the data we receive from AWIS which is included on the last page. Many stations for the year are reporting above normal precipitation however many also show significant below normal precipitations as well.



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**Week of November 23 - 29, 2009**

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Livestock in good condition.

Little precipitation.

More than half of corn harvested.

Livestock conditions were good. Corn harvest has made some progress last week but was still behind due to the high moisture of the grain. Some areas were hoping for more precipitation. High temperatures ranged from high 30s to high 60s. Low temperatures ranged from 5 degrees below to 21 degrees above. Topsoil moisture was at 86 percent adequate or better, up 18 points from last year and up 35 points from the average.

TOPSOIL	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	0	0	6	15
Short	14	11	26	34
Adequate	86	87	68	50
Surplus	0	2	0	1

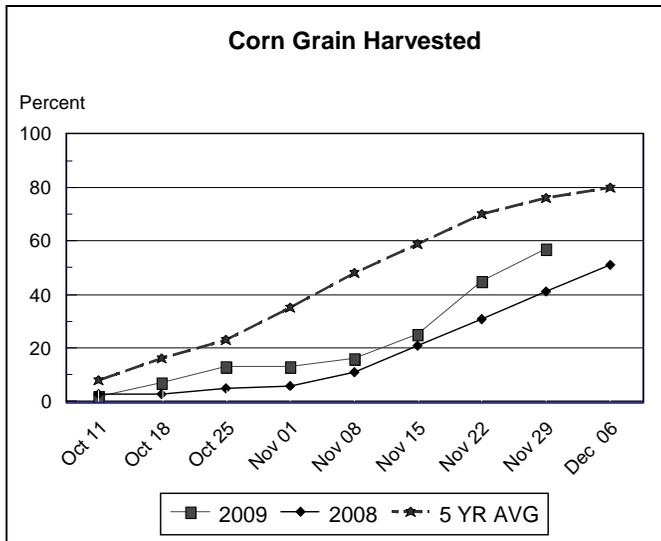
**FIELD CROP REPORT:** There were 6.1 days suitable for field work last week. Fifty-seven percent of all corn was harvested; up 16 points from last year but 18 points below the average. Winter wheat and corn conditions were reported at 94 and 76 percent good or better, respectively.

**CROP PROGRESS TABLE**

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Corn Harvested	57	45	41	75

**CROP CONDITION TABLE**

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Winter Wht	0	1	5	93	1
Corn	2	3	19	76	0



**LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT:** Cattle conditions were reported at 87 percent good or better and sheep conditions came in at 89 percent good or better. Range and pasture conditions were at 51 percent good or better, up 3 points from the previous week. Hay and roughage supplies were at 95 percent adequate or better.

**RANGE AND PASTURE FEED**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	1	1	N/A	N/A
Poor	17	17	N/A	N/A
Fair	31	34	N/A	N/A
Good	49	46	N/A	N/A
Excellent	2	2	N/A	N/A

HAY & ROUGHAGE SUPPLIES	This Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	1	0	3
Short	4	7	19
Adequate	83	92	72
Surplus	12	1	6

**WEATHER SUMMARY:** Temperatures during the week ending November 29th averaged below normal in 2 of the reporting stations. Average temperatures ranged from 2 degrees below normal at Thayne to 12 degrees above normal at Buffalo-Johnson, Gillette, and Sundance. The high temperature was 68 at Big Horn, while the low was 5 degrees below zero at Shirley Basin. Only 3 of the reporting stations received at or above normal weekly precipitation and 15 received below normal cumulative precipitation. The largest precipitation for the week was 0.27 inches reported at Thayne, which was 0.06 inches below normal.

### Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, November 29, 2009 <sup>1/</sup>

	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
<b>District 1</b>									
Cody	55	16	36	6	0.00	0.07	-0.07	5.28	-5.22
Dubois	58	15	32	8	0.00	0.07	-0.07	11.81	2.61
Greybull	49	14	32	8	0.00	0.07	-0.07	5.32	-1.87
Jeffrey City	52	7	26	3	0.00	0.14	-0.14	12.65	2.45
Lake Yellowstone	45	13	28	6	0.11	0.21	-0.10	15.43	1.62
Lander	58	16	34	9	0.01	0.21	-0.20	15.41	2.62
Powell	46	11	28	3	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.20	-1.60
Riverton	50	16	32	6	0.03	0.07	-0.04	9.04	1.43
Worland	54	11	32	6	0.11	0.07	0.04	6.62	-1.09
<b>District 2</b>									
Big Horn	68	18	37	11	0.14	0.14	0.00	16.28	2.26
Buffalo-Johnson	63	21	37	12	0.01	0.07	-0.06	12.53	-0.47
Gillette	62	16	37	12	0.01	0.14	-0.13	11.11	-4.82
Midwest	59	14	35	9	0.02	0.14	-0.12	14.42	1.38
Newcastle	60	15	36	9	0.00	0.14	-0.14	15.32	-0.12
Sheridan	67	17	37	10	0.08	0.14	-0.06	13.83	-0.07
Sundance	64	16	37	12	0.00	0.18	-0.18	17.24	-0.79
<b>District 3</b>									
Big Piney	50	3	25	7	0.00	0.07	-0.07	9.06	2.00
Evanston	51	9	30	6	0.02	0.16	-0.14	11.32	0.48
Jackson Hole	39	3	20	-1	0.21	0.56	-0.35	17.36	-1.66
Thayne	39	3	20	-2	0.27	0.33	-0.06	12.07	-4.60
<b>District 4</b>									
Casper	57	15	36	9	0.04	0.14	-0.10	14.76	2.37
Laramie	43	3	26	2	0.00	0.14	-0.14	10.38	-0.51
Rawlins	50	9	31	4	0.01	0.14	-0.13	11.77	2.54
Rock Springs	49	13	29	6	0.13	0.14	-0.01	7.68	-1.15
Shirley Basin	57	-5	29	11	0.04	0.07	-0.03	12.71	2.99
<b>District 5</b>									
Buford	49	14	30	5	0.02	0.14	-0.12	21.86	7.29
Cheyenne	62	16	36	7	0.00	0.14	-0.14	14.67	-0.30
Chugwater	63	15	37	8	0.05	0.14	-0.09	21.45	6.36
Douglas	61	14	37	8	0.01	0.14	-0.13	11.29	-0.91
Lance Creek	62	16	36	8	0.00	0.11	-0.11	14.18	1.11
Old Fort Laramie	64	13	33	4	0.00	0.14	-0.14	13.88	0.95
Torrington	67	18	38	9	0.00	0.12	-0.12	16.21	2.74
Wheatland	61	14	36	3	0.00	0.07	-0.07	16.73	3.98

<sup>1/</sup> Summary based on NWS data. DFN=Departure from Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit [www.awis.com](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955

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