



2016-2017 Crop Update - 2

WA (New Norcia) 50% cut 10 % baled

Cutting is continuing. Some small showers over the weekend will delay baling for 2 days. Mostly fine weather is forecast for the next 7 days and lots of baling is expected to occur from mid-week onwards. Baled hay quality has been good to date.

WA (York) 60% cut 5% baled

Wide spread showers over the weekend ~10mm in most areas. Cutting re-started Monday morning. Baling is expected to begin in earnest later in the week as fine weather is forecast.

WA (Wagin) 60% cut 5% baled

5-10mm of rain fell over the weekend, depending on the area. The weather forecast looks ok for the next 7 days, but cooler temperatures are predicted. Cutting should begin again mid-week.

SA (Balaklava) 20% cut 0% baled

Mostly fine weather last week. The cooler temperatures are expected to become warmer later in the week. Expect most growers will be cutting by Friday and the first baling should begin from next weekend. The wild weather of 2 weeks ago has caused many crops to fall over, making them hard to cut. Some stems may also not dry properly, making baling difficult.

VIC (Goornong) 5% cut 0 % baled

Most cutting is still 1-2 weeks away from starting. Temperatures have been quite cool and paddocks are slowly drying out. Some rain is forecast for next weekend. Cutting will be challenging but in lower-yielding areas, some good quality hay should be made.



Paddock ready to be cut in York