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# Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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## Agricultural Summary

Warmer weather persisted during the day, while cooler temperatures prevailed throughout the night this week. The days suitable for work was 6.9 days, up 2.2 days from last week. Livestock conditions throughout the state continue to do well.

## Field Crops Summary

Cache County reports that because of last week's rainstorms producers are cutting the remaining hay for haylage since the temperatures are getting cooler and the hay is extremely hard to dry. Safflower harvest is just starting in some counties, while in Box Elder the harvest is almost complete. Weber County reports that harvesting corn for silage and grain corn is about halfway completed, and the county still has some alfalfa hay that needs to be harvested. Box Elder reports that grain farmers are continuing to plant winter wheat and fall barley at this time. Corn producers in Box Elder are finishing the corn silage harvest while also harvesting high moisture grain corn for feed.

## Livestock Summary

Producers continue to move their livestock off summer ranges. Reports indicate that moving cattle off the summer range is about 44 percent complete.

**Livestock Percent  
for Week Ending October 1, 2006**

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cattle Moved from Summer Range	44	39	30	47
Sheep/Lambs Moved from Summer Range	52	45	39	44

**Crop Progress  
for Week Ending October 1, 2006**

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Onions Harvested	60	59	74	77
Winter Wheat Planted	48	43	74	63
Winter Wheat Emerged	25	21	33	26
Corn Mature	74	59	47	56
Corn Silage Harvested	78	59	57	72
Alfalfa Seed	62	59	57	57
Alfalfa Fourth Cutting	59	41	57	55
Apple Harvested	68	54	48	51

**Crop & Livestock Condition  
for Week Ending October 1, 2006**

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Range & Pasture	4	15	33	44	4
Corn	0	2	13	65	20
Sheep	0	1	8	83	8
Cattle/calves	0	1	11	70	18

**Soil Moisture  
for Week Ending October 1, 2006**

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	0	7	92	1
Subsoil	1	25	74	0
Irrigation water supplies	5	20	74	1
Stock water supplies	1	19	78	2