



Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

Overall conditions were excellent for field work. Days suitable for work were 6.4. Utah is still experiencing unusually warm weather around the state. Livestock conditions are good.

Field Crops Summary

Farmers around the state continue to prepare their fields for spring plantings. Box Elder reports that farmers are beginning to plant safflower and spring grain. Apricots, Peaches, and Sweet Cherries are in full bloom or are coming into full bloom. Apples and Tart Cherries should bloom in the next two or three weeks. Carbon County producers are still concerned about lack of precipitation. Irrigation upgrades within in the county have helped some producers extend their water supply. Producers utilizing the old system may run out of irrigation water mid to late summer unless they can lease more shares.

Livestock Summary

Box Elder reports that calving has almost come to an end and lambing will begin next week. Iron County reports that soil moisture and range conditions are good at the present time; however, with very little snow pack, pasture and range conditions could suffer greatly. Beaver County reports that some ranchers with early permits are putting cows out on BLM acres. Ranchers are not reporting any serious health issues this spring.

**Soil Moisture
for Week Ending April 8, 2007**

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	0	11	88	1
Subsoil	3	9	86	2
Irrigation water supplies	3	25	71	1
Stock water supplies	0	10	89	1

**Crop Progress
for Week Ending April 8, 2007**

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Barley Planted	55	42	20	41
Oats Planted	27	23	18	26
Oats Emerged	5	NA	NA	NA
Spring Wheat Planted	64	40	19	44
Spring Wheat Emerged	26	10	9	15
Apple Full Bloom	10	NA	NA	5
Apricots Full Bloom	40	37	40	60
Peach Full Bloom	15	NA	11	28
Pears Full Bloom	33	18	8	44
Sweet Cherries Full Bloom	15	NA	13	15
Tart Cherries Full Bloom	14	NA	12	16

**Crop & Livestock Condition
for Week Ending April 8, 2007**

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Range & Pasture	2	7	25	61	5
Winter Wheat	0	0	27	65	8
Sheep	0	3	12	76	9
Cattle/calves	0	1	16	70	13

**Livestock Percent
for Week Ending April 8, 2007**

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cows Calved	75	65	71	72
Sheep Sheared on Farm	54	39	57	57
Sheep Sheared on Range	46	27	35	39
Ewes Lambled on Farm	76	70	76	72
Ewes Lambled on Range	41	20	29	34