



Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

There was an average of 4 days suitable for fieldwork in Utah for the week ending April 6, 2014. Things have been cold and dry in **Beaver County**. In **Box Elder County** weather has been on the cool and moist side which has prevented some field work. **Cache County** received several small storms last week which kept growers out of the fields. We are very grateful, however, for adequate snow pack in the mountains and for the rains we are receiving which are filling the soil profile. In **Iron County** it has been a very dry and warm spring. In **Salt Lake County** things are beginning to green up. The weather has been cool with some precipitation.

Field Crop Summary

In **Beaver County** spring planting is going well. The farming season is just getting underway in **Box Elder County**. Onions have been planted on beds that were prepared last fall. Spring grain is being planted and farmers are beginning to plant safflower on the dry farms. Fruit producers are reporting that apricots have been blooming for the past week. There have been a few cold nights but so far they think that the frost has not caused much damage. They are concerned about the work of pollinators because of the cool weather. In **Cache County** several growers were able to get wheat, barley, and in some cases alfalfa planted during a period of suitable weather. In **Duchesne County** field work had started with barley being planted.

Livestock Summary

In **Box Elder County** livestock producers have reported good calving and lambing conditions. Sheep producers with large range flocks will start to lamb shortly and they are in the process of shearing the herds.

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending April 6, 2014

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Winter Wheat	0	1	19	61	19
Cattle/calves	0	1	29	66	4
Sheep/lambs	0	0	26	70	4
Pasture & Range	1	11	46	40	2

Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 6, 2014

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	1	41	55	3
Subsoil	4	34	58	4
Stock Water Supply	2	25	71	2

Crop Progress & Development, Livestock Activity for Week Ending April 6, 2014

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	Crop Progress			
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Barley Planted	19	NA	30	34
Oats Planted	15	NA	22	22
Spring Wheat Planted	26	NA	27	30
Calving Progress	38	NA	74	69
Sheep Shorn, Farm Flocks	38	NA	NA	NA
Sheep Shorn, Range Flocks	23	NA	NA	NA
Ewes Lambed, Farm Flocks	27	NA	NA	NA
Ewes Lambed, Range Flocks	8	NA	NA	NA

Soil Temperature - Utah Soil Climate Analysis Network - Apr-7-2014

Site name	County	Weekly* Average Air Temp	Weekly* Maximum Air Temp	Weekly* Minimum Air Temp	Soil Temperature				
					2"	4"	8"	20"	40"
		<i>° F</i>	<i>° F</i>	<i>° F</i>	<i>° F</i>				
WESTERN									
Grouse Creek	<i>Box Elder</i>	33	50	19	40	42	42	41	42
Park Valley	<i>Box Elder</i>	37	54	22	45	46	46	44	44
Goshute	<i>Tooele</i>	37	58	21	38	42	45	42	44
Dugway	<i>Tooele</i>	43	60	26	47	49	50	47	47
Tule Valley	<i>Millard</i>	44	61	29	49	56	58	54	51
Hal's Canyon	<i>Millard</i>	41	60	21	50	52	54	48	47
Enterprise	<i>Washington</i>	40	62	19	47	53	52	48	47
DIXIE									
Sand Hollow	<i>Washington</i>	53	71	32	60	62	63	58	58
NORTH CENTRAL									
Blue Creek	<i>Box Elder</i>	35	51	22	41	43	43	42	42
Cache Junction	<i>Cache</i>	38	54	26	42	44	43	43	43
Grantsville	<i>Tooele</i>	41	62	28	44	48	48	47	48
SOUTH CENTRAL									
Nephi	<i>Juab</i>	39	59	22	43	44	44	44	44
Ephraim	<i>Sanpete</i>	37	68	22	41	42	42	41	42
Holden	<i>Millard</i>	41	59	24	45	46	47	46	47
Milford	<i>Beaver</i>	41	58	20	49	51	49	47	48
Manderfield	<i>Beaver</i>	36	52	11	42	44	43	43	43
Circleville	<i>Piute</i>	36	52	13	44	45	46	44	44
Panguitch	<i>Garfield</i>	35	51	16	37	38	38	38	40
Cave Valley	<i>Washington</i>	39	54	20	47	48	50	47	45
Vermillion	<i>Kane</i>	39	57	22	40	43	46	43	42
Spooky	<i>Kane</i>	45	61	26	54	53	53	50	51
NORTHERN MOUNTAINS									
Chicken Ridge, sagebrush	<i>Morgan</i>	28	42	15	33	33	33	34	36
Chicken Ridge, aspen	<i>Morgan</i>	28	42	15	33	34	34	35	37
Buffalo Jump	<i>Rich</i>	32	46	19	38	38	38	38	na
Morgan	<i>Morgan</i>	37	56	21	42	43	43	41	41
UNTAH BASIN									
Mountain Home	<i>Duchesne</i>	33	51	13	40	41	40	41	41
Little Red Fox	<i>Duchesne</i>	40	58	23	40	48	49	46	44
Split Mountain	<i>Uintah</i>	42	59	22	45	47	47	45	44
SOUTHEAST									
Price	<i>Carbon</i>	40	55	23	46	50	51	47	46
Green River	<i>Emery</i>	47	68	19	52	53	53	51	50
Harm's Way	<i>San Juan</i>	38	42	29	43	46	47	45	44
West Summit	<i>San Juan</i>	38	55	19	40	42	44	41	42
Eastland	<i>San Juan</i>	39	57	24	43	44	45	44	44
Alkali Mesa	<i>San Juan</i>	42	58	27	46	45	47	46	45
McCracken Mesa	<i>San Juan</i>	47	66	22	50	55	55	46	51

SCAN site locations and hourly data including wind speed, wind direction, relative humidity, solar radiation, etc. are available at <http://www.wcc.nrcs.usda.gov/scan/utah/utah.html> Freezing temperatures are in ***bold italics***

nd = missing data

*Air temperatures are for previous 7 day period

na = no sensor