



# Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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## Agricultural Summary

Crops continue to progress around the state. Days suitable for field work were 7.0. Weather continues to be hot and dry making an already dry situation worse. Livestock continue to do well.

## Field Crops Summary

Across the state spring wheat was 72 percent headed compared to 53 percent the previous week. Barley was 85 percent headed compared to 74 percent headed the previous week. Reports out of Box Elder County in which several thousand acres on the west side of Hansel Valley were burned fortunately had no reports of crop loss. Producers in the Bear River Valley are beginning to cut and bale second crop alfalfa this week. Fall grain continues to ripen. Harvest will begin on the dry land areas south of Snowville in a couple of weeks. Corn and onions continue to look very good. We have had a dry, hot week with no precipitation. No news on the Mormon cricket infestation but spraying was underway. In Cache County most of the first crop alfalfa is now harvested and some farmers have started with second cutting also. Most corn is looking good and is responding well to the hot weather where irrigation water has been applied. Wheat is starting to turn already and safflower looks exceptionally well, while there was some frost damage spotted in winter wheat and winter barley. Duchesne County reports areas of the County are now very dry due to the lack of irrigation and rain water. Some producers will not cut grass hay this year, but will save it in hopes of having some grass for cattle coming off the range in the fall. Farmers whose crops are irrigated from storage reservoirs are in pretty good shape. In Dagget County, irrigation water is becoming very short. Beaver County reports that hay is high priced this year, and reports of grasshopper problems have been reported within the county. Weber County reports farmers will begin spraying their corn fields due to a few sightings of spider mites.

## Livestock Summary

Beaver County reports that it is very dry and pastures and ranges are "burning up". Box Elder County reports farmers continue to worry about the feed as ranges are deteriorating rapidly without adequate moisture. Emery and Wayne counties report pastures look good now, but will quickly dry out without timely rains.

### Crop Progress for Week Ending June 24, 2007

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Barley Headed Stage	85	74	68	68
Oats Headed Stage	53	46	39	41
Spring Wheat Headed	72	53	53	60
Alfalfa First Cutting	93	86	91	88
Alfalfa Second Cutting	6	0	7	4
Other Hay Cut	60	48	42	48

### Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending June 24, 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	11	23	35	30	1
Spring Wheat	5	17	41	30	7
Winter Wheat	0	9	38	45	8
Barley	0	2	25	55	18
Corn	0	0	17	66	17
Sheep	0	1	17	80	2
Cattle/calves	0	3	27	63	7

### Livestock Percent for Week Ending June 24, 2007

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Sheep Moved to Summer Range	93	91	93	88
Cattle Moved to Summer Range	93	85	94	92

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 24, 2007

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	14	43	43	0
Subsoil	12	45	43	0
Irrigation water supplies	10	38	52	0
Stock water supplies	4	27	69	0