



# Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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## Agricultural Summary

February brought normal precipitation and storms. Continued moisture is still needed for the upcoming growing season. Snow packs for this winter have been excellent. Farmers and ranchers are very optimistic about the upcoming season.

## Field Crops Summary

The snowpack on the Bear River Drainage is just a little above 100% and the farmers on the Bear River Canal system anticipate full irrigation water this summer. Winter wheat producers are spreading graphite on their fields to reduce the chance of snow mold. There is very little spring wheat seed available so they do not want to lose the crop. Tooele County reports wheat seed is difficult to find and farmers are still concerned about the level of snow mold that they will find once the snow melts away. Emery County reports that weather conditions have been very favorable for moisture with many good winter storms and much moisture. Uintah County enjoyed a few days of temperatures above freezing and snow has begun to melt.

## Livestock Summary

Box Elder reports that livestock producers have been calving and so far they have done quite well with just a few losses, which is normal. Producers who need to buy hay are finding supplies extremely tight and prices very high. Emery County reports that calving and lambing are in full swing. There have been a few reports of stranded animals and some death loss to animals. Uintah feed supplies are tight but will be adequate if winter does not persist too long.