



Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

Days suitable for fieldwork were 3. Cool and wet conditions dominated weather throughout Utah thus slowing the progress of planting, fertilization, and other practices. Soil moisture content increased from the previous week. Topsoil moisture was rated 3 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 32 percent surplus.

Field Crops Summary

Box Elder County farmers are frustrated due to high soil moisture levels which are restricting field work. Some farmers in the western part of the county have been able to plant minimal amounts of onions and barley. Winter wheat in certain portions of the county has been severely impacted by snow mold. **Cache, Millard, and Morgan Counties** experienced wet and cold conditions last week. Very little, if any, field work took place. Some onions were planted in **Weber County**. A hard frost may have caused damage to fruit trees in **Utah County**. Some rivers and streams in the **Utah and Garfield Counties** are very high and are nearing the flood stage. **Duchesne and Summit County** farmers were able to complete a limited amount of field work.

Livestock Summary

Some producers in **Box Elder County** have begun to brand and vaccinate calves. Cattle are mostly in good condition. Some calves suffered during the snow storms last week. Shearing of range flocks is nearly complete. **Cache County** producers are dealing with muddy conditions. In **Utah County** wet and cold weather has been causing problems for livestock producers. Calving and lambing continues in **Summit County**. Livestock producers in **Uintah County** continue to feed hay to livestock due to a lack of grass growth. In **Duchesne County** calving is close to completion.

Crop Progress for Week Ending April 10, 2011

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Barley Planted	24	23	42	40
Oats Planted	26	23	23	23
Spring Wheat Planted	24	19	33	37

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending April 10, 2011

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Range & Pasture	1	12	24	59	4
Winter Wheat	1	6	26	52	15
Sheep	0	2	25	72	1
Cattle/calves	1	2	28	67	2

Livestock Percent for Week Ending April 10, 2011

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cows Calved	74	66	70	73
Sheep Sheared on Farm	67	61	41	42
Sheep Sheared on Range	47	34	28	29
Ewes Lambed on Farm	63	52	64	72
Ewes Lambed on Range	22	12	23	22

Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 10, 2011

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	0	3	65	32
Subsoil	0	4	71	25