



# Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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## Agricultural Summary

For the week ending May 19, 2013 there was a reported 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. **Box Elder County** received about an inch of rain through Sunday over most of the county, with some areas reporting as much as 1.88 inches of rain. **Cache County** growers received a near perfect storm which brought nearly one inch of rain in recent days. The mountains in **Duchesne County** continue to receive a good amount of moisture. **Garfield/Kane Counties** report that moisture is needed. **San Juan County** reports that canals were filled this week and the irrigation season has begun. Army cutworms are thick in some fields. **Utah County** has been receiving much needed rain. Producers are concerned about irrigation water lasting through the season.

## Field Crop Summary

**Beaver County** reports that spring work is going well. Corn planting is almost finished. In **Box Elder County** crops are continuing to progress. There is some concern that the wheat has been affected by too many frosts followed by near record temperatures. Most of the corn that has been planted looks good. The moisture that has been received in the last couple of days has given the plants a boost. Alfalfa hay is getting to the point that some of it is ready for the first cutting. If the weather dries out this week, some hay will be swathed. **Cache County** corn growers have been working hard to get corn planted. Most acres of barley, wheat and safflower are already in the ground with most of it emerged.

## Livestock Summary

**Beaver County** livestock are reported being moved out on the range. **Box Elder County** livestock appear to be in fair condition. Recent rains will help many ranges in the short run but these rangelands will need more rainfall to fully recover. Many ranchers have had to resort to feeding hay because of the lack of spring grass. **Duchesne County** livestock ranchers have finished up working cattle and began to move them to summer range. Many producers have begun to turn out bulls to get their herds bred up before they are taken out on grazing allotments. Hay supplies continue to be short and many producers have fed longer than they anticipated as the grass has been slow to grow. **Utah County** livestock are reported to be in good shape.

## Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending May 19, 2013

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Range & Pasture	7	11	31	48	3
Spring Wheat	3	5	19	55	18
Winter Wheat	3	13	29	43	12
Barley	0	0	11	62	27
Sheep	0	2	26	67	5
Cattle/calves	0	2	21	73	4

## Crop Progress for Week Ending May 19, 2013

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Barley Emerged	87	77	94	79
Oats Planted	86	81	94	85
Oats Emerged	63	48	72	56
Spring Wheat Emerged	95	89	99	81
Corn Planted	74	60	82	64
Apple Full Bloom	91	29	100	81
Peach Full Bloom	100	89	100	96
Sweet Cherries Full Bloom	93	79	100	96
Tart Cherries Full Bloom	99	81	100	89

## Soil Moisture for Week Ending May 19, 2013

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Topsoil	11	23	66	0
Subsoil	9	33	58	0
Irrigation water supplies	5	24	71	0
Stock water supplies	8	13	79	0

## Livestock Percent for Week Ending May 19, 2013

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Cattle Moved to Summer Range	31	26	35	27
Sheep Moved to Summer Range	32	21	27	39
Sheep Sheared on Farm	93	88	99	94
Sheep Sheared on Range	89	81	100	92
Ewes Lambled on Farm	93	90	99	98
Ewes Lambled on Range	78	76	81	82

**Alert! The window to respond to the Census of Agriculture is almost closed!**

There are only a few weeks left to complete and return the 2012 Census of Agriculture. Because time is running out, NASS may contact you or farmers in your area by phone or in person to collect information for the Census. *Help ensure you and your industry have the most complete set of agricultural statistics available for your country and county.* For more information or for help filling out your Census form, visit [www.agcensus.usda.gov](http://www.agcensus.usda.gov) or call (888) 424-7828.

### Utah Soil Climate Analysis Network - May 20, 2013

Site name	County	Precip to Date*	Weekly Precip	Avg Air Temp	Soil Moisture					Soil Temperature				
					2"	4"	8"	20"	40"	2"	4"	8"	20"	40"
		<i>in.</i>	<i>in.</i>	<i>° F</i>	<i>volume %</i>					<i>° F</i>				
<b>WESTERN</b>														
Grouse Creek	<i>Box Elder</i>	5.6	0.67	46	8	10	19	23	24	49	53	54	53	52
Park Valley	<i>Box Elder</i>	6.7	0.91	51	9	14	14	33	27	54	57	58	58	54
Goshute	<i>Tooele</i>	5.2	0.67	45	29	0	36	25	35	47	51	56	57	55
Dugway	<i>Tooele</i>	4.2	0.45	53	22	29	38	nd	14	55	58	61	60	60
Tule Valley	<i>Millard</i>	4.7	0.10	50	12	14	23	19	12	52	61	66	67	67
Hal's Canyon	<i>Millard</i>	3.1	0.26	47	6	5	10	11	9	50	56	63	62	58
Enterprise	<i>Washington</i>	5.0	0.06	49	4	25	23	15	15	55	63	63	61	56
<b>DIXIE</b>														
Sand Hollow	<i>Washington</i>	4.0	0.07	67	0	1	0	1	0	70	76	76	72	70
<b>NORTH CENTRAL</b>														
Blue Creek	<i>Box Elder</i>	6.5	1.59	47	33	30	24	32	19	55	57	57	56	53
Cache Junction	<i>Cache</i>	10.0	1.17	48	35	30	42	36	39	53	53	53	53	48
Grantsville	<i>Tooele</i>	6.4	0.54	53	8	13	22	31	nd	60	62	62	58	nd
<b>SOUTH CENTRAL</b>														
Nephi	<i>Juab</i>	6.1	0.46	46	13	17	15	9	5	54	55	57	56	54
Ephraim	<i>Sanpete</i>	6.0	0.17	45	8	12	17	20	35	48	49	50	48	47
Holden	<i>Millard</i>	5.6	0.30	46	4	6	5	15	17	56	59	62	61	57
Milford	<i>Beaver</i>	4.8	0.17	45	7	18	18	28	17	59	62	61	59	55
Manderfield	<i>Beaver</i>	6.0	0.34	42	5	13	14	13	8	49	54	55	53	51
Circleville	<i>Piute</i>	4.6	0.17	44	13	5	6	9	8	60	61	61	57	52
Panguitch	<i>Garfield</i>	2.6	0.00	44	3	19	13	20	28	53	54	53	51	47
Cave Valley	<i>Washington</i>	9.9	0.14	51	4	1	2	4	5	51	53	58	58	56
Vermillion	<i>Kane</i>	4.9	0.00	53	0	0	3	8	8	52	58	61	57	54
Spooky	<i>Kane</i>	3.4	0.04	57	3	3	4	12	2	64	63	66	64	63
<b>NORTHERN MOUNTAINS</b>														
Chicken Ridge	<i>Morgan</i>	7.1	0.31	42	14	24	15	24	17	47	48	49	51	47
Buffalo Jump	<i>Rich</i>	6.0	0.17	43	9	15	17	18	na	50	51	52	51	na
Morgan	<i>Morgan</i>	12.8	0.36	48	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd
<b>UINTAH BASIN</b>														
Mountain Home	<i>Duchesne</i>	5.6	0.48	47	18	25	29	29	13	51	52	52	51	49
Little Red Fox	<i>Duchesne</i>	4.8	0.33	53	11	23	29	30	31	52	60	61	59	55
Split Mountain	<i>Uintah</i>	4.1	0.00	56	5	19	15	14	12	64	67	67	62	56
<b>SOUTHEAST</b>														
Price	<i>Carbon</i>	4.7	0.00	52	0	16	22	16	19	57	61	63	61	58
Green River	<i>Emery</i>	2.7	0.00	63	8	12	12	6	9	67	69	71	68	63
Harm's Way	<i>San Juan</i>	5.6	0.01	49	12	0	17	22	10	61	56	60	57	54
West Summit	<i>San Juan</i>	2.9	0.01	49	7	13	17	19	18	58	60	60	55	52
Eastland	<i>San Juan</i>	3.4	0.00	51	11	15	17	32	34	55	56	57	55	53
Alkali Mesa	<i>San Juan</i>	4.5	0.00	55	7	8	16	19	13	62	62	62	59	56
McCracken Mesa	<i>San Juan</i>	4.9	0.00	53	8	17	20	22	13	64	67	68	59	60

\*since October 1, 2012, nd=missing data, na=no sensor

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