



Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

There was an average of 5.9 days suitable for field work in the State for the week ending November 17, 2013. Wet weather moved into **Box Elder County** at the end of the week with Friday and Saturday seeing rain and snow throughout both days. The Tremonton area reported about .60 of an inch of moisture from the storm. The western part of the county including the Blue Creek area received very little precipitation. Alfalfa and small grains in **Weber County** were in need of moisture. Growers are hoping for some significant precipitation soon.

Field Crop Summary

Most farmers in **Box Elder County** have completed field work but some were still harvesting grain corn. A few producers are trying to harvest forage Kochia seed. That process will continue into December as the seed does not ripen until the plant freezes down. Field work is virtually finished for the year in **Cache County** except for some grain corn to be harvested. Some farmers are also working on finishing up corn harvest in **Duchesne County**.

Livestock Summary

Livestock producers in **Box Elder County** are still weaning and vaccinating calves and shipping them to livestock buyers. Most of the calves have been shipped but some movement will continue through mid December. Some producers have reported that they will be feeding hay about a month sooner than they normally do. Sheep producers with range flocks have started their breeding season and are mostly on crop residue fields. They will be moving to their winter grazing permits in the desert areas by mid December. Two days of storm and cold forced some ranchers in **Cache County** to start feeding hay to their beef cattle.

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending November 17, 2013

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	2	23	58	17
Sheep	0	0	17	73	10
Cattle/calves	0	2	15	75	8

Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 17, 2013

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	4	30	66	0
Subsoil	15	39	46	0
Stock water supplies	5	17	78	0

Crop Progress & Development, Livestock Activity for Week Ending November 17, 2013

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	Crop Progress			
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Winter Wheat Emerged	94	90	NA	NA
Corn Grain Harvested	85	80	85	72
Apples Harvested	93	91	100	100
Cattle Moved From Summer Range	94	92	99	99
Sheep Moved From Summer Range	95	93	99	99

Utah Soil Climate Analysis Network - November 18, 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>				
WESTERN														
Grouse Creek	<i>Box Elder</i>	0.6	0.17	31	1	8	11	15	15	34	38	42	45	49
Park Valley	<i>Box Elder</i>	1.3	0.07	34	3	7	12	12	26	34	38	42	46	51
Goshute	<i>Tooele</i>	0.9	0.08	38	13	0	37	18	28	31	36	40	42	49
Dugway	<i>Tooele</i>	0.9	0.00	41	25	31	36	nd	12	36	40	43	47	49
Tule Valley	<i>Millard</i>	0.4	0.00	44	11	12	22	14	10	37	43	47	48	53
Hal's Canyon	<i>Millard</i>	0.8	0.00	42	1	7	10	9	8	37	41	44	47	52
Enterprise	<i>Washington</i>	0.3	0.00	43	4	19	19	12	14	40	46	46	48	53
DIXIE														
Sand Hollow	<i>Washington</i>	0.3	0.00	52	0	1	0	0	0	46	51	54	55	60
NORTH CENTRAL														
Blue Creek	<i>Box Elder</i>	0.8	0.08	33	12	12	18	21	17	36	40	42	46	50
Cache Junction	<i>Cache</i>	1.5	0.71	35	30	24	23	24	24	39	40	42	46	50
Grantsville	<i>Tooele</i>	1.5	0.18	39	7	17	24	25	nd	37	42	46	51	56
SOUTH CENTRAL														
Nephi	<i>Juab</i>	1.0	0.09	38	13	16	13	7	0	39	40	42	46	51
Ephraim	<i>Sanpete</i>	0.9	0.02	37	9	11	15	15	34	39	42	44	46	50
Holden	<i>Millard</i>	0.5	0.00	42	2	4	3	11	12	41	42	44	47	54
Milford	<i>Beaver</i>	0.4	0.00	42	6	13	14	26	16	42	45	46	49	54
Manderfield	<i>Beaver</i>	1.1	0.00	38	7	12	11	10	5	38	41	42	44	48
Circleville	<i>Piute</i>	0.6	0.00	41	20	16	12	8	19	37	41	43	45	50
Panguitch	<i>Garfield</i>	0.8	0.00	34	7	17	13	20	30	34	34	36	40	46
Cave Valley	<i>Washington</i>	1.9	0.00	36	4	6	6	5	7	36	38	42	45	46
Vermillion	<i>Kane</i>	1.5	0.00	41	0	7	7	9	7	33	36	40	42	46
Spooky	<i>Kane</i>	0.2	0.00	47	2	1	3	17	2	48	46	49	51	53
NORTHERN MOUNTAINS														
Chicken Ridge	<i>Morgan</i>	0.8	0.02	27	4	11	3	11	3	32	33	34	36	42
Buffalo Jump	<i>Rich</i>	0.8	0.07	28	8	12	13	7	na	34	35	37	37	na
Morgan	<i>Morgan</i>	1.4	0.29	32	21	20	22	31	36	34	35	37	40	44
UINTAH BASIN														
Mountain Home	<i>Duchesne</i>	0.4	0.00	35	12	19	21	18	10	37	39	40	42	45
Little Red Fox	<i>Duchesne</i>	0.5	0.00	39	2	16	18	20	17	31	39	40	43	47
Split Mountain	<i>Uintah</i>	1.5	0.00	35	10	19	14	12	12	30	35	37	42	49
SOUTHEAST														
Price	<i>Carbon</i>	1.2	0.00	37	4	17	20	13	17	33	36	39	44	48
Green River	<i>Emery</i>	0.5	0.00	36	5	8	8	5	7	35	37	40	45	51
Harm's Way	<i>San Juan</i>	0.6	0.00	38	12	0	18	13	6	39	37	41	44	48
West Summit	<i>San Juan</i>	0.9	0.01	35	16	20	19	14	16	32	34	39	40	45
Eastland	<i>San Juan</i>	1.5	0.05	36	20	18	22	22	20	37	39	40	43	47
Alkali Mesa	<i>San Juan</i>	0.5	0.04	39	7	10	14	17	12	38	35	42	47	50
McCracken Mesa	<i>San Juan</i>	0.8	0.05	38	10	16	13	15	13	39	44	45	47	55

*since October 1, 2013, nd=missing data, na=no sensor

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>