



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 17, 2015

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Another week of moisture along with cooler weather has delayed planting of corn along with the first cutting of alfalfa. Significant moisture continues to improve range conditions and provide temporary relief to short irrigation water supplies. Peach freeze damage was rated 30% light, 16% moderate, and 41% severe. Stock water supplies were rated 5% very short, 24% short, and 68% adequate, and 3% surplus.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Apples				
Full bloom .....	76	50	19	63
Apricots				
Full bloom .....	85	80	65	91
Barley				
Emerg'd.....	91	87	95	81
Corn				
Planted .....	63	43	69	62
Emerg'd .....	29	10	14	18
Oats				
Planted .....	91	88	94	86
Emerg'd.....	82	74	70	59
Spring Wheat				
Emerg'd.....	96	91	93	83
Sweet cherries				
Full bloom .....	77	59	88	90
Tart cherries				
Full bloom .....	65	45	19	70
Winter Wheat				
Headed .....	10	--	--	6
Cattle moved to pasture.....	66	59	NA	51
Sheep moved to pasture .....	66	58	74	82
Cattle receiving supplemental feed .....	23	29	NA	NA
Sheep receiving supplemental feed .....	9	22	NA	NA
Cows calved.....	95	93	94	97
Ewes lambed				
Range flock.....	78	70	90	81
Sheep shorn				
Farm flock .....	87	86	NA	NA
Range flock .....	91	87	93	91

NA – not available  
(--) – zero

### PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	2	2	--	1
Poor.....	9	13	6	7
Fair.....	45	50	40	35
Good.....	37	32	49	53
Excellent.....	7	3	5	4

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### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	3.4	3.7	6.3	5.7
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	4	4	6	5
Short.....	32	38	41	23
Adequate.....	54	50	51	66
Surplus.....	10	8	2	6
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	8	9	6	5
Short.....	41	50	38	25
Adequate.....	49	40	54	65
Surplus.....	2	1	2	5

(--)- zero

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Commodity	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley.....	--	1	20	61	18
Oats.....	--	22	30	40	8
Spring wheat.....	--	4	19	59	18
Winter wheat.....	--	3	24	59	14
Cattle and calves.....	--	1	18	69	12
Irrigation water supply.....	14	14	32	40	--
Sheep and lambs.....	--	--	13	76	11

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Utah's weather data can be accessed at the following:

[http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\\_by\\_State/Utah/Publications/Crop\\_Progress\\_&\\_Condition/2015/UT\\_Weather\\_05172015.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Utah/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2015/UT_Weather_05172015.pdf)