



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 19, 2015

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cooler temperatures coupled with precipitation totals that exceeded 400 percent of normal in several places eased the need for heavy irrigated and lessened the threat of an early irrigated shutoff. Hay production benefitted nicely from the continued rainfall; however, hay quality was reduced in fields where growers were unable to bale before the rains hit. The corn crop in northern Utah was growing quickly, although some fields needed treatment for mites. Small grain producers in some northwestern locations were left waiting to harvest their barley and wheat fields following the week's wet weather. Elsewhere, harvest was underway with reports of disappointing yields in some irrigated fields. Stock water supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 26 percent short, and 71 percent adequate.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
2 nd cutting harvested.....	40	24	52	45
Apricots				
Harvested.....	36	8	41	28
Barley				
Harvested.....	34	21	10	7
Corn				
Silked.....	19	1	17	15
Oats				
Headed.....	90	84	84	85
Harvested.....	9	NA	--	--
Other Hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	90	87	91	83
2 nd cutting harvested.....	16	6	NA	NA
Spring Wheat				
Harvested.....	18	7	11	5
Sweet cherries				
Harvested.....	92	89	82	75
Tart cherries				
Harvested.....	35	20	26	28
Winter Wheat				
Harvested.....	24	12	41	20

NA – not available

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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.....	6.2	6.6	6.5	6.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	10	10	19	15
Short.....	39	37	45	37
Adequate.....	51	53	36	48
Surplus.....	--	--	--	--
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	9	9	17	14
Short.....	44	43	49	34
Adequate.....	47	48	34	52
Surplus.....	--	--	--	--

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor	1	2	--	2
Fair	15	15	8	16
Good.....	68	67	69	63
Excellent.....	16	16	23	19
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor	--	1	--	3
Fair	13	18	21	23
Good.....	78	72	57	62
Excellent.....	9	9	22	12
Oats				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor	14	14	--	2
Fair	19	21	16	17
Good.....	58	58	73	73
Excellent.....	9	7	11	8
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	--	--	3	5
Poor	9	8	19	15
Fair	31	31	43	29
Good.....	49	50	34	45
Excellent.....	11	11	1	6
Spring wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor	--	1	3	7
Fair	13	14	17	22
Good.....	70	68	60	55
Excellent.....	17	17	20	15
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	3	3
Poor	2	2	5	13
Fair	17	17	27	29
Good.....	59	59	50	44
Excellent.....	22	22	15	11
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor	--	--	1	1
Fair	11	12	21	18
Good.....	76	75	67	69
Excellent.....	13	13	11	12
Irrigation water supply				
Very poor.....	14	14	NA	NA
Poor	14	13	NA	NA
Fair	30	31	NA	NA
Good.....	42	42	NA	NA
Excellent.....	--	--	NA	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor	--	--	--	NA
Fair	9	10	16	NA
Good.....	77	75	78	NA
Excellent.....	14	15	6	NA

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Utah’s weather data was not available at time of publication. A link will be provided as soon as data becomes available.