



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 23, 2015

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Producers are over half-way done with small grain harvest, and safflower harvest will begin in a few weeks. Corn is progressing well, and yield prospects are good for both silage and grain. Irrigation water is running very low in many areas. Farmers are beginning to move cattle and sheep from summer ranges. Stock water supplies were rated 10 percent very short, 33 percent short, and 57 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	97	94	98	96
3 rd cutting harvested.....	40	27	30	39
Apples				
Harvested.....	10	4	--	NA
Apricots				
Harvested.....	60	57	93	97
Barley				
Harvested.....	92	87	69	77
Corn				
Silked.....	92	82	91	92
Dough.....	42	18	32	32
Oats				
Harvested.....	66	57	49	57
Other Hay				
2 nd cutting harvested.....	77	74	NA	NA
Peaches				
Harvested.....	45	38	31	25
Spring Wheat				
Harvested.....	83	77	59	68
Winter Wheat				
Harvested.....	89	87	93	88
Cattle and calves				
Moved from summer range	1	NA	NA	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from summer range	1	NA	NA	NA

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.....	6.9	6.4	4.7	6.2
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	10	8	11	14
Short.....	45	43	40	38
Adequate	45	49	47	48
Surplus	--	--	2	--
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	11	10	16	17
Short.....	49	48	43	37
Adequate	40	42	40	46
Surplus	--	--	1	--

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor	--	--	--	2
Fair	12	11	17	22
Good.....	77	77	59	61
Excellent.....	11	12	24	15
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	--	--	2	6
Poor	10	11	15	15
Fair	35	34	45	32
Good.....	48	49	37	39
Excellent.....	7	6	1	8
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor	--	--	--	1
Fair	11	11	21	19
Good.....	76	76	67	68
Excellent.....	13	13	12	12
Irrigation water supply				
Very poor.....	12	12	NA	NA
Poor	20	19	NA	NA
Fair	31	30	NA	NA
Good.....	37	39	NA	NA
Excellent.....	--	--	NA	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor	--	--	--	NA
Fair	10	10	15	NA
Good.....	76	76	79	NA
Excellent.....	14	14	6	NA

NA – not available

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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 08232015.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Utah/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2015/UT_Weather_08232015.pdf)