



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 28, 2015

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Producers continue moving cattle and sheep from summer range ahead of last year's pace as well as the 5-year average. The 3rd cutting of alfalfa is completed along with almost half-way through the fourth cutting. Farmers continue harvesting corn for silage, onions, and safflower throughout the state. Stock water supplies were rated 16 percent very short, 31 percent short, and 53 percent adequate.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
3 rd cutting harvested	95	89	92	88
4 th cutting harvested.....	49	30	NA	NA
Apples				
Harvested.....	50	48	39	32
Corn				
Dough.....	97	89	93	94
Dented	77	50	73	74
Mature	34	15	30	36
Corn Silage				
Harvested.....	50	30	15	36
Oats				
Harvested.....	95	92	95	95
Onions				
Harvested.....	51	45	51	44
Peaches				
Harvested.....	89	88	77	84
Winter Wheat				
Planted.....	65	43	83	65
Emerged	25	8	53	20
Cattle and calves				
Moved from summer range	30	21	27	27
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from summer range	39	20	19	26

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	5.2	5.7	6.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	9	10	2	8
Short	38	41	29	33
Adequate	52	48	66	58
Surplus	1	1	3	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	11	11	7	11
Short.....	44	44	31	36
Adequate	43	45	62	53
Surplus	2	--	--	--

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)
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	--	--	--	2
Fair.....	13	12	11	21
Good.....	76	77	65	63
Excellent.....	11	11	24	13
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	1	1	1	3
Poor.....	11	10	8	13
Fair.....	38	38	40	32
Good.....	47	46	47	46
Excellent.....	3	5	4	6
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	1
Fair.....	12	11	15	17
Good.....	76	76	69	71
Excellent.....	12	13	16	11
Irrigation water supply				
Very poor.....	13	13	NA	NA
Poor.....	23	22	NA	NA
Fair.....	27	27	NA	NA
Good.....	37	38	NA	NA
Excellent.....	--	--	NA	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Fair.....	12	12	13	NA
Good.....	74	74	79	NA
Excellent.....	14	14	8	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 09272015.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Utah/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2015/UT_Weather_09272015.pdf)