



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 3, 2016

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** The last week has seen significant rainfall in the western region of the state. This is delaying field work as indicated by suitable field work days at 3.6 compared to 4.7 from 2015, but is helping the persistent drought conditions. Snowpack is averaging 40 inches or greater for most of the state at higher elevations. Scattered storms are expected over the next week bringing in more moisture. Barley, oats and spring wheat continue to make progress and should move towards emerging over the next few weeks. Planting is still considerably behind for each compared to April 2015. Cows calved is on pace with the prior year at 50 percent. Farm flock ewes lambing are slightly behind at 30 percent compared to 34 percent from the prior year. Supplemental feeding of cattle is at 73 percent compared to 56 percent the previous year. Supplemental feeding of sheep is at 67 percent compared to 40 percent the previous year. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 5 percent short, 71 percent adequate and 24 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 6 percent short, 87 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted .....	19	5	57	35
Oats				
Planted .....	14	6	29	20
Spring Wheat				
Planted .....	19	10	56	35
Cows calved.....	50	25	50	56
Cattle receiving supplemental feed .....	73	68	56	NA
Ewes lambing				
Farm flock .....	30	20	34	44
Range flock .....	14	5	7	NA
Sheep receiving supplemental feed.....	67	58	40	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 field work.....	3.6	NA	4.7	4.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	--	11	3
Short.....	16	24	55	31
Adequate .....	75	68	34	57
Surplus .....	9	8	--	9
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	5	6	12	4
Short.....	16	23	51	32
Adequate .....	76	67	37	60
Surplus .....	3	4	--	4

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)
<b>Pasture and Range</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	1	2
Poor.....	6	4	18	16
Fair.....	34	41	47	39
Good.....	52	48	33	41
Excellent.....	8	7	1	2
<b>Winter Wheat</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	2	NA
Fair.....	31	38	28	NA
Good.....	52	51	56	NA
Excellent.....	17	11	14	NA
<b>Cattle and calves</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	1	--	1
Fair.....	12	14	15	22
Good.....	69	67	72	67
Excellent.....	19	18	13	10
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Fair.....	32	39	11	NA
Good.....	53	45	79	NA
Excellent.....	15	16	10	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/2016/UT\\_Weather\\_04032016.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Utah/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2016/UT_Weather_04032016.pdf)