



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 17, 2016

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** The state saw dry, hot conditions persist last week, and reports for topsoil and subsoil moisture levels indicate a slight decline, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Alfalfa hay 2<sup>nd</sup> cutting harvested saw a 20 percentage point increase in progress with the hot temperatures and dry conditions, continuing to be well ahead of the previous year and 5-year average. Other hay 1<sup>st</sup> cutting harvested is almost complete, with 2<sup>nd</sup> cutting harvested at 36 percent, ahead of the previous year. Corn silking has begun and is slightly behind both the previous year and 5-year average. Cache County had reports of spider mites in corn as well as concerns over irrigation supplies. Beaver County reports indicate corn is really looking good this year. Barley and winter wheat harvested is at 24 percent and 21 percent complete respectively, on pace with the previous year. Spring wheat harvest is at 20 percent complete, is ahead of the previous year and 5-year average. Reports from Box Elder County indicate the cutting of wheat is progressing while Cache County reports indicated that grains are still too green to harvest. Harvest of sweet cherries is progressing at 76 percent complete, behind the previous year's 91 percent but on pace with the 5-year average. Irrigation and water supply condition was rated at 68 percent good to excellent, compared to 42 percent the previous year. Stock water supplies were reported as 3 percent very short, 23 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting harvested.....	66	46	35	41
Apricots				
Harvested.....	34	23	28	22
Barley				
Harvested.....	24	15	30	10
Corn				
Silking.....	9	--	14	13
Oats				
Headed.....	87	82	88	85
Harvested.....	3	NA	6	1
Other hay				
1 <sup>st</sup> cutting harvested.....	95	91	89	84
2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting harvested.....	36	15	13	NA
Spring wheat				
Harvested.....	20	16	15	6
Sweet Cherries				
Harvested.....	76	60	91	76
Tart Cherries				
Harvested.....	30	26	31	27
Winter Wheat				
Harvested.....	21	9	21	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 field work.....	7.0	7.0	6.2	6.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	7	6	10	17
Short.....	34	30	39	36
Adequate.....	57	62	51	47
Surplus.....	2	2	--	--
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	7	6	9	16
Short.....	34	31	44	38
Adequate.....	58	62	47	46
Surplus.....	1	1	--	--

NA – not available

(--)- zero

**CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION**

	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
<b>Barley</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor .....	--	--	1	2
Fair .....	11	11	15	16
Good.....	71	71	68	62
Excellent.....	18	18	16	20
<b>Corn</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor .....	--	--	--	2
Fair .....	12	12	13	21
Good.....	79	79	78	65
Excellent.....	9	9	9	12
<b>Irrigation water supplies</b>				
Very poor .....	4	3	14	NA
Poor .....	7	7	14	NA
Fair .....	21	22	30	NA
Good.....	63	63	42	NA
Excellent.....	5	5	--	NA
<b>Oats</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor .....	--	--	14	4
Fair .....	6	7	19	19
Good.....	84	84	58	70
Excellent.....	10	9	9	7
<b>Pasture and range</b>				
Very poor .....	1	1	--	5
Poor .....	8	5	9	16
Fair .....	35	35	31	32
Good.....	48	51	49	41
Excellent.....	8	8	11	6
<b>Spring wheat</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	1
Poor .....	2	2	--	6
Fair .....	13	13	13	20
Good.....	68	68	70	57
Excellent.....	17	17	17	16
<b>Winter wheat</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	3
Poor .....	--	--	2	10
Fair .....	25	24	17	28
Good.....	63	62	59	46
Excellent.....	12	14	22	13
<b>Cattle and calves</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor .....	--	--	--	1
Fair .....	10	10	11	18
Good.....	63	63	76	69
Excellent.....	27	27	13	12
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Fair .....	17	16	9	NA
Good.....	64	65	77	NA
Excellent.....	19	19	14	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 07172016.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Utah/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2016/UT_Weather_07172016.pdf)