



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 23, 2017

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warm and dry weather allowed for field work and accelerated harvest last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting was close to two-thirds complete, equal to the 5-year average. Alfalfa 3rd cutting was 9 percent complete by week's end. Barley, oats and spring wheat harvest at 10 percent, 7 percent, and 6 percent complete respectively were behind the 5-year averages at 23 percent, 11 percent, and 16 percent. Corn silking was reported at 15 percent. Sweet cherries are at 79 percent harvested, equal to the previous year but behind 5-year average of 90 percent. Tart cherries harvest was at 26 percent complete, behind the prior year at 34 percent and well behind the 5-year average at 41 percent. Pasture and range was rated mostly in the fair to good range. Box Elder County reports a warm dry week resulting in good corn progress and conditions to harvest winter wheat, however irrigation was needed to supplement hay and field crops. Beaver County reported irrigation supplies were starting to be limited, but livestock conditions continue to look good. Stock water supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 20 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Irrigation water supplies were rated 1 percent poor, 18 percent fair, 70 percent good, and 11 percent excellent.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
2 nd cutting harvested.....	64	47	74	64
3 rd cutting harvested.....	9	3	NA	NA
Apricots				
Harvested	36	22	43	52
Barley				
Harvested	10	1	30	23
Corn				
Silking	15	2	16	30
Oats				
Harvested	7	4	20	11
Other hay				
2 nd cutting harvested.....	47	28	54	NA
Spring Wheat				
Headed	94	90	NA	NA
Harvested	6	1	25	16
Sweet Cherries				
Harvested	79	59	79	90
Tart Cherries				
Harvested	26	5	34	41
Winter Wheat				
Harvested	22	9	41	39

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.....	6.7	6.9	6.9	6.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	13	13	8	17
Short.....	39	40	34	41
Adequate	48	47	56	42
Surplus	--	--	2	--
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	5	4	7	15
Short.....	37	38	35	42
Adequate	58	58	57	42
Surplus	--	--	1	1

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
Very poor.....	--	--	NA	NA
Poor.....	3	2	NA	NA
Fair.....	24	25	NA	NA
Good.....	61	65	NA	NA
Excellent.....	12	8	NA	NA
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	--	1
Fair.....	15	14	11	13
Good.....	64	67	71	65
Excellent.....	20	18	18	21
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	--	1
Fair.....	21	18	12	16
Good.....	63	71	80	68
Excellent.....	15	10	8	15
Oats				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	4
Fair.....	24	21	6	17
Good.....	69	72	84	71
Excellent.....	7	7	10	8
Other Hay				
Very Poor.....	--	--	NA	NA
Poor.....	6	5	NA	NA
Fair.....	32	24	NA	NA
Good.....	57	66	NA	NA
Excellent.....	5	5	NA	NA
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	3	1	1	4
Poor.....	15	13	8	16
Fair.....	42	44	36	34
Good.....	35	35	47	40
Excellent.....	5	7	8	6
Spring Wheat				
Very poor.....	1	--	--	1
Poor.....	8	6	3	6
Fair.....	24	22	13	19
Good.....	51	56	67	58
Excellent.....	16	16	17	16
Winter Wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	3
Poor.....	11	7	--	11
Fair.....	42	40	23	26
Good.....	41	47	62	47
Excellent.....	6	6	15	13
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	--	--
Fair.....	22	21	11	18
Good.....	68	68	67	68
Excellent.....	9	10	22	14
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Fair.....	30	26	17	NA
Good.....	64	67	65	NA
Excellent.....	6	7	18	NA

NA – not available

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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.