



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 27, 2017

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY** Scattered thunderstorms experienced around most of the State last week helped mitigate heat stress however some counties still suffered from dry weather, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Days suitable for fieldwork were reported at 6.9, equal to last week. Third cutting of alfalfa was three-quarters complete by weeks end. Fourth cutting of Alfalfa was recorded at 5 percent complete. Apricot harvested was at 90 percent complete, while Apple harvest just started. Corn silking was 98 percent complete and doughing was 50 percent, behind both the previous year and 5-year averages. Barley and spring wheat harvest are at 88 percent and 78 percent complete, respectively. Peach harvest is currently at 30 percent complete, ahead of the previous year but behind the 5-year average. Winter wheat harvested was almost complete at 95 percent. Box Elder County reports a dry week allowing for accelerated crop progress. Corn and onions were reported in good condition and winter wheat harvest was winded down. In the Beaver County irrigation water supplies were running low. Stock water supplies were rated 4 percent very short, 27 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Irrigation water supplies were rated 10 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 22 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 12 percent excellent.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
3 <sup>rd</sup> cutting harvested .....	75	65	60	56
4 <sup>th</sup> cutting harvested .....	5	NA	6	NA
Apricots				
Harvested .....	90	80	94	90
Apples				
Harvested .....	1	--	2	4
Barley				
Harvested .....	88	74	88	88
Corn				
Silking .....	98	94	NA	NA
Dough .....	50	40	55	53
Dented .....	3	--	NA	NA
Oats				
Harvested .....	68	54	70	71
Onions				
Harvested .....	3	1	3	NA
Other hay				
2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting harvested .....	82	77	84	NA
Peaches				
Harvested .....	30	18	21	36
Spring Wheat				
Harvested .....	78	68	82	84
Winter Wheat				
Harvested .....	95	89	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 field work .....	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.4
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	14	8	11	14
Short .....	41	45	33	40
Adequate .....	45	47	54	45
Surplus .....	--	--	2	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	11	10	13	18
Short .....	41	34	32	39
Adequate .....	48	56	54	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)
<b>Alfalfa Hay</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	NA	NA
Poor.....	3	1	NA	NA
Fair.....	17	12	NA	NA
Good.....	69	78	NA	NA
Excellent.....	11	9	NA	NA
<b>Corn</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	--	1
Fair.....	19	18	12	16
Good.....	67	69	76	65
Excellent.....	13	12	12	18
<b>Pasture and Range</b>				
Very poor.....	10	8	2	4
Poor.....	22	18	10	16
Fair.....	35	33	41	42
Good.....	25	34	41	35
Excellent.....	8	7	6	3
<b>Cattle and calves</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	--	1
Fair.....	17	11	11	18
Good.....	69	78	70	69
Excellent.....	13	10	19	12
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Fair.....	32	27	15	NA
Good.....	57	63	68	NA
Excellent.....	11	10	17	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/2017/UT Weather 08272017.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Utah/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2017/UT_Weather_08272017.pdf)