



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY** Strong storms were seen across parts of the state with 9 of the 34 weather stations reporting 0.07 inches of precipitation or more, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Days suitable for fieldwork was reported at 6.7. Third cutting of alfalfa was 82 percent complete by weeks end. Fourth cutting of alfalfa was recorded at 12 percent complete. Apricot harvested was at 95 percent complete, while apple harvest was at 14 percent complete. Corn doughing was 79 percent complete, surpassing both the previous year and 5-year averages. Barley and spring wheat harvest was at 92 percent and 89 percent complete, respectively. Peach harvest was at 56 percent complete, ahead of the previous year. Winter wheat planting has started, and was at 8 percent complete. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs moved from pasture has started, at 4 percent and 1 percent complete, respectively. Box Elder County reports another dry week, with record breaking temperatures, requiring farmers to continue to irrigate. Corn and onion crops should begin harvest soon. Peach producers are reporting good peaches and are in full harvest mode. Stock water supplies were rated 5 percent very short, 17 percent short, 77 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Irrigation water supplies were rated 2 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 16 percent fair, 66 percent good, and 10 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 .....	82	75	71	66
4 <sup>th</sup> cutting harvested .....	12	5	20	NA
Apples				
Harvested .....	14	1	6	12
Apricots				
Harvested .....	95	90	NA	NA
Barley				
Harvested .....	92	88	95	NA
Corn				
Dough.....	79	50	68	70
Dented.....	13	3	NA	NA
Oats				
Harvested .....	85	68	75	77
Onions				
Harvested .....	10	3	24	NA
Other hay				
2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting harvested.....	92	82	88	NA
Peaches				
Harvested .....	56	30	47	54
Spring Wheat				
Harvested .....	89	78	94	92
Winter Wheat				
Planted.....	8	--	7	NA
Cattle and Calves				
Moved from summer range .....	4	1	7	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from summer range .....	1	--	7	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.....	6.7	6.9	6.8	6.4
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	5	14	11	14
Short.....	31	41	33	39
Adequate .....	64	45	54	48
Surplus .....	--	--	2	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	5	11	13	17
Short.....	30	41	32	38
Adequate .....	65	48	54	44
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.....	1	--	NA	NA
Poor.....	4	3	NA	NA
Fair.....	13	17	NA	NA
Good.....	57	69	NA	NA
Excellent.....	25	11	NA	NA
<b>Corn</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	--	2
Fair.....	11	19	12	15
Good.....	66	67	76	66
Excellent.....	22	13	12	17
<b>Pasture and Range</b>				
Very poor.....	6	10	2	4
Poor.....	15	22	10	16
Fair.....	35	35	42	41
Good.....	34	25	40	36
Excellent.....	10	8	6	3
<b>Cattle and calves</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	--	1
Fair.....	12	17	11	19
Good.....	74	69	70	70
Excellent.....	13	13	19	10
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	1	--	--	NA
Fair.....	25	32	15	NA
Good.....	65	57	68	NA
Excellent.....	9	11	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\\_09032017.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Utah/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2017/UT_Weather_09032017.pdf)