



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 8, 2017

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY It was very dry in Utah, with only 3 out of 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. Farmers were finishing up the fourth cutting of alfalfa with 80 percent complete. Corn silage harvest is 81 percent complete. Apple harvest is currently at 83 percent complete. Onion harvest sped up with the dry weather and is currently at 70 percent complete. Winter wheat planting is 84 percent complete. Uintah County reports killing frost in much of the county. Stock water supplies were rated 22 percent short and 78 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 14 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 6 percent fair, 57 percent good, and 14 percent excellent.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
4 th cutting harvested	80	67	79	61
Apples				
Harvested	83	67	76	61
Corn				
Dented	93	90	84	89
Mature	76	58	49	65
Harvested for grain.....	12	NA	NA	NA
Corn Silage				
Harvested for silage	81	59	85	73
Onions				
Harvested	70	47	83	75
Peaches				
Harvested	97	90	NA	NA
Winter Wheat				
Planted.....	84	66	85	79
Emerged	45	20	52	49
Cattle and Calves				
Moved from summer range	58	30	60	56
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from summer range.....	49	38	63	55

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.....	6.4	5.6	6.8	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	4	--	3	9
Short.....	31	26	18	31
Adequate	64	69	71	58
Surplus	1	5	5	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	10	14
Short.....	39	37	22	34
Adequate	61	63	67	51
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.....	2	--	NA	NA
Fair.....	18	19	NA	NA
Good.....	66	64	NA	NA
Excellent.....	14	17	NA	NA
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	1
Fair.....	12	12	12	18
Good.....	50	53	73	65
Excellent.....	38	35	15	16
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	1	1	4	4
Poor.....	6	6	14	16
Fair.....	33	32	40	37
Good.....	52	53	37	39
Excellent.....	8	8	5	4
Winter Wheat				
Very poor.....	1	NA	--	NA
Poor.....	8	NA	7	NA
Fair.....	30	NA	41	NA
Good.....	51	NA	43	NA
Excellent.....	10	NA	9	NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	1	2
Fair.....	8	7	13	19
Good.....	78	79	68	68
Excellent.....	13	13	18	11
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Fair.....	14	18	14	NA
Good.....	74	65	70	NA
Excellent.....	12	17	16	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_10082017.pdf