



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 29, 2017

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY** It was very dry in Utah, with none of the 34 weather stations reporting any precipitation according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Due to the dry weather, topsoil moisture ratings fell from 65 percent adequate to 56 percent adequate. Subsoil moisture ratings also fell from 65 percent adequate to 47 percent adequate. Apple harvest is currently at 95 percent complete, slightly ahead of the previous year at 89 percent. Onion harvest has made progress with the dry weather and is currently at 99 percent complete. Winter wheat good to excellent condition ratings fell from 65 percent to 50 percent, due to the dry conditions. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs moved from summer range are at 89 percent and 85 percent complete, respectively. Good to excellent condition ratings for cattle and calves and sheep and lambs are 87 percent and 78 percent, respectively. Box Elder County reports dry conditions persist, which has allowed grain corn to dry out. Livestock are in good shape coming off the summer range. Cache County reports all crops are harvested except for grain corn. Dry conditions have slowed winter wheat emergence. Stock water supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 31 percent short, and 67 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 10 percent very poor, 11 percent poor, 14 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 13 percent excellent.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Apples				
Harvested .....	95	89	89	90
Corn				
Mature .....	94	90	90	93
Harvested for grain.....	73	63	27	50
Onions				
Harvested .....	99	94	NA	NA
Winter Wheat				
Emerged .....	81	63	72	77
Cattle and Calves				
Moved from summer range .....	89	82	91	88
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from summer range .....	85	83	95	92

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	6.8	5.5	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	8	3	2	7
Short .....	36	32	24	33
Adequate.....	56	65	66	58
Surplus.....	--	--	8	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	12	3	10	13
Short .....	41	32	22	35
Adequate.....	47	65	65	51
Surplus.....	--	--	3	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)
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	5	3	3	NA
Poor.....	16	10	15	NA
Fair.....	48	40	41	NA
Good.....	25	37	37	NA
Excellent.....	6	10	4	NA
Winter Wheat				
Very poor.....	4	--	--	NA
Poor.....	9	--	5	NA
Fair.....	37	35	42	NA
Good.....	45	55	42	NA
Excellent.....	5	10	11	NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	1	2	1	NA
Fair.....	12	11	13	NA
Good.....	77	74	68	NA
Excellent.....	10	13	18	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	2	2	--	NA
Fair.....	20	12	15	NA
Good.....	67	73	69	NA
Excellent.....	11	13	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 10292017.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Utah/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2017/UT_Weather_10292017.pdf)