



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2018

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Utah saw some moisture over the last week, but snowpack levels remain well below normal, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level condition rated short to adequate fell slightly from 85 percent to 82 percent. Winter wheat condition rated good to excellent decreased from 22 percent to 21 percent. Excellent condition ratings fell for cattle and calves from 9 percent to 2 percent and sheep and lambs from 7 percent to 1 percent. The percentage of cattle and calves receiving supplemental feed is 80 percent, the same as a year ago. Sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed is significantly less than last year at 62 percent compared to 76 percent a year ago. Box Elder County has had a very dry winter although, recently a few storms have gone through, but the snow was very light. Cache County reports a very dry mild winter, and death loss for new calves is much less than the previous year. Beaver County reports storms going through recently but snowpack is still in very bad shape. Iron County reports calving is progressing with some freezing due to cold temperatures and snow. Garfield and Kane Counties are reporting extremely dry conditions, as farmers and ranchers are expecting reduced water for irrigation and low production on ranges and pastures. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 5 percent short, 87 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 5 percent very short, 27 percent short, and 68 percent adequate.

Monthly reports will be released for March on Monday, March 26, 2018.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved.....	16	6	11	NA
Receiving supplemental feed .....	80	84	80	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambed – farm flock .....	16	4	15	NA
Ewes lambed – range flock .....	1	NA	3	NA
Receiving supplemental feed .....	62	60	76	NA

NA – not available

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### SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Very short.....	17	14	--	NA
Short.....	35	25	--	NA
Adequate .....	47	60	51	NA
Surplus .....	1	1	49	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	16	13	--	NA
Short.....	32	38	1	NA
Adequate .....	52	49	65	NA
Surplus .....	--	--	34	NA

NA – not available

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**CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION**

	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Pasture and Range</b>				
Very poor .....	5	7	--	NA
Poor.....	10	15	4	NA
Fair.....	47	42	46	NA
Good .....	38	36	45	NA
Excellent .....	--	--	5	NA
<b>Winter Wheat</b>				
Very poor .....	9	9	6	NA
Poor.....	21	18	29	NA
Fair.....	49	51	19	NA
Good .....	19	20	46	NA
Excellent .....	2	2	--	NA
<b>Cattle and calves</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	1	1	2	NA
Fair.....	15	14	27	NA
Good .....	82	76	70	NA
Excellent .....	2	9	1	NA
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	2	2	3	NA
Fair.....	22	24	26	NA
Good .....	75	67	71	NA
Excellent .....	1	7	--	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.