

UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Utah saw a good amount of moisture for the month of February, with snowpack levels well above normal, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions were rated 100 percent in the adequate to surplus range compared to only 48 percent the same period last year. Winter wheat condition rated good to excellent increased from 21 percent a year ago to 64 percent this year. Condition ratings fell from last year for cattle and calves from 84 percent good to excellent to 76 percent this year and sheep and lambs from 76 percent last year to 74 percent this year. The percentage of cattle and calves receiving supplemental feed is 93 percent, 13 percentage points above a year ago. Sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed is also up from last year at 67 percent compared to 62 percent a year ago. Box Elder County has had a wet winter, with producers reporting standing water in fields as well as difficult calving conditions. Cache County reported very cold winter conditions. Duchesne County reported livestock were being fed due to deep snow in Basin rangeland. Beaver County reported snowpack was in great shape but the snowy conditions have led to higher than normal calf deaths. Iron County reported that the snow has helped with the drought conditions but calving was difficult. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 30 percent short, and 69 percent adequate. Stock water supplies were rated 3 percent short, 94 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

Note: The next monthly report will be released for March on Monday, March 25, 2019. The first weekly report will be released on Monday, April 1, 2019

LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Cattle and calves	•	· ·				
Cows calved	12	NA	16	NA		
Receiving supplemental feed	93	NA	80	NA		
Sheep and lambs						
Ewes lambed – farm flock	21	NA	16	NA		
Ewes lambed – range flock	1	NA	1	NA		
Receiving supplemental feed	67	NA	62	NA		

NA - not available

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SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Topsoil moisture		-	-			
Very short		NA	17	NA		
Short		NA	35	NA		
Adequate	91	NA	47	NA		
Surplus	9	NA	1	NA		
Subsoil moisture						
Very short		NA	16	NA		
Short	11	NA	32	NA		
Adequate	83	NA	52	NA		
Surplus	6	NA		NA		

NA - not available

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	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range	-		-	-
Very poor	1	NA	5	NA
Poor	17	NA	10	NA
Fair	27	NA	47	NA
Good	54	NA	38	NA
Excellent	1	NA		NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor		NA	9	NA
Poor	4	NA	21	NA
Fair	32	NA	49	NA
Good	58	NA	19	NA
Excellent	6	NA	2	NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor		NA		NA
Poor	4	NA	1	NA
Fair	20	NA	15	NA
Good	76	NA	82	NA
Excellent		NA	2	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor		NA		NA
Poor	5	NA	2	NA
Fair	21	NA	22	NA
Good	74	NA	75	NA
Excellent		NA	1	NA

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

NA – not available

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