



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 28, 2019

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Utah had drier and warmer weather throughout the state during the past week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated surplus fell from 29 percent last week to 24 percent. Box Elder County reports producers were planting onions, safflower, and spring grains, but no corn had been planted as producers were waiting for soil to warm up and the risk of frost to decrease. Beaver County reports producers were getting ready to plant corn, and most producers had turned on sprinklers for the season. Corn planted is at 3 percent complete, behind last year's progress. Iron County reports producers were finishing calving and lambing, and some were beginning irrigation. Statewide, calving is 91 percent complete and lambing is 92 percent complete. Riche County reports producers were busy branding cattle and moving cattle to pasture. Statewide, cattle moved to pasture is at 29 percent and sheep moved to pasture is 33 percent, both below last year's progress. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 13 percent very short, 45 percent short, and 40 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 92 percent adequate and 8 percent surplus. Irrigation water supplies were rated 2 percent fair, 61 percent good, and 37 percent excellent.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted .....	58	46	89	84
Emerged .....	37	23	56	56
Corn				
Planted .....	3	2	10	11
Tart Cherries				
Fully bloomed .....	25	15	5	NA
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved .....	91	86	91	90
Moved to pasture .....	29	15	36	NA
Receiving supplemental feed .....	59	69	57	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambed – farm flock .....	92	88	94	91
Ewes lambed – range flock .....	56	49	74	61
Moved to pasture .....	33	21	54	40
Receiving supplemental feed .....	48	55	43	NA
Sheep shorn – farm flock .....	81	75	82	76
Sheep shorn – range flock .....	83	75	81	74

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.....	5.8	4.5	6.9	5.9
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	--	7	4
Short.....	3	2	38	29
Adequate.....	73	69	50	60
Surplus.....	24	29	5	7
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	1	--	6	6
Short.....	6	5	46	30
Adequate.....	71	71	47	61
Surplus.....	22	24	1	3

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.....	1	2	NA	NA
Fair.....	16	14	NA	NA
Good.....	74	79	NA	NA
Excellent.....	9	5	NA	NA
Other hay				
Very poor.....	--	--	NA	NA
Poor.....	1	1	NA	NA
Fair.....	10	16	NA	NA
Good.....	70	69	NA	NA
Excellent.....	19	14	NA	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	1	2	4	2
Poor.....	6	10	15	8
Fair.....	24	32	50	42
Good.....	45	36	26	41
Excellent.....	24	20	5	7
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	2	1
Poor.....	7	7	19	6
Fair.....	26	24	29	25
Good.....	58	60	39	55
Excellent.....	9	9	11	13
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	1	1	--	--
Poor.....	3	3	3	2
Fair.....	26	27	10	16
Good.....	61	61	73	70
Excellent.....	9	8	14	12
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	4	4	1	1
Fair.....	22	22	17	19
Good.....	65	65	68	70
Excellent.....	9	9	14	10

NA – not available

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