



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 19, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Utah experienced cold and wet weather for much of the week that delayed crop progress and diminished days suitable for fieldwork, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated surplus increased from 13 percent last week to 16 percent. Reporters in Box Elder County and Beaver County report alfalfa first cutting was delayed due to the wet weather. Statewide, winter wheat condition was rated 69 percent good to excellent, compared to 38 percent rated good to excellent last year. Corn planted was at 52 percent complete with emergence at 17 percent completed. Beaver, Iron and Utah Counties reported corn planting was delayed due to cold, wet weather. Cache County reported producers had finished most plantings. Statewide, cattle moved to pasture was at 70 percent and sheep moved to pasture was at 78 percent. Stock water supplies were rated 88 percent adequate and 12 percent surplus. Irrigation water supplies were rated 61 percent good and 39 percent excellent.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted	93	85	NA	NA
Emerged.....	73	65	95	91
Corn				
Planted	52	38	59	70
Emerged.....	17	2	28	27
Tart Cherries				
Fully bloomed.....	90	67	96	72
Winter Wheat				
Headed	2	--	3	NA
Cattle and calves				
Moved to pasture	70	53	70	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambed – range flock	81	75	91	88
Moved to pasture	78	69	84	80
Sheep shorn – farm flock	95	90	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.....	5.1	6.1	6.9	5.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	--	9	3
Short.....	6	2	30	24
Adequate.....	78	85	61	70
Surplus.....	16	13	--	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	9	5
Short.....	6	4	33	28
Adequate.....	81	80	58	66
Surplus.....	13	16	--	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
Poor.....	--	1	1	NA
Fair.....	10	18	19	NA
Good.....	71	68	78	NA
Excellent.....	19	13	2	NA
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	NA	--	--
Poor.....	--	NA	1	--
Fair.....	8	NA	12	10
Good.....	67	NA	67	69
Excellent.....	25	NA	20	21
Other hay				
Very poor.....	--	--	1	NA
Poor.....	--	--	4	NA
Fair.....	5	10	22	NA
Good.....	64	64	72	NA
Excellent.....	31	26	1	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	--	--	3	1
Poor.....	--	--	9	5
Fair.....	10	16	45	31
Good.....	58	58	41	50
Excellent.....	32	26	2	13
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	10	2
Poor.....	9	6	22	6
Fair.....	22	22	30	21
Good.....	55	60	27	54
Excellent.....	14	12	11	17
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	1	1	1
Fair.....	25	34	11	15
Good.....	57	54	80	72
Excellent.....	18	11	8	12
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	2	1	--
Fair.....	11	19	17	18
Good.....	77	68	77	74
Excellent.....	11	11	5	8

NA – not available

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