



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cool temperatures along with rain storms occurred throughout the state, which hindered field work, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 54 percent last week to 60 percent. Box Elder County reports producers were busy with field preparation for fall winter wheat seeding and corn silage harvest would begin next week. Statewide, corn silage harvest is at 4 percent complete, behind last year's progress. Iron County reports producers are about to start on the fourth cutting of alfalfa. Statewide, the third cutting of alfalfa is at 82 percent complete, and the fourth cutting of alfalfa is at 27 percent complete, both slightly behind last year's progress. Stock water supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 14 percent short, and 85 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 13 percent poor, 16 percent fair, and 71 percent good.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
3 rd cutting harvested.....	82	75	92	87
4 th cutting harvested.....	27	17	41	NA
Barley				
Harvested.....	95	90	NA	NA
Corn				
Doughed.....	83	66	86	88
Dented.....	29	10	64	43
Harvested for silage.....	4	NA	22	NA
Other hay				
2 nd cutting harvested.....	90	86	92	NA
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture.....	27	15	34	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture.....	31	16	35	NA

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.....	5.5	6.6	7.0	6.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	9	10	29	12
Short.....	31	36	45	38
Adequate.....	60	54	26	49
Surplus.....	--	--	--	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	7	6	38	17
Short.....	40	46	38	37
Adequate.....	53	48	24	46
Surplus.....	--	--	--	--

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	--	--	3	NA
Poor.....	5	3	8	NA
Fair.....	31	28	19	NA
Good.....	61	63	62	NA
Excellent.....	3	6	8	NA
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	1	--
Fair.....	8	12	16	15
Good.....	67	67	69	68
Excellent.....	25	21	14	17
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	3	3	23	7
Poor.....	7	5	37	18
Fair.....	26	24	33	38
Good.....	57	60	7	33
Excellent.....	7	8	--	4
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	5	1
Fair.....	13	14	31	18
Good.....	73	72	57	68
Excellent.....	14	14	7	13
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	5	1
Fair.....	14	14	30	20
Good.....	64	67	62	69
Excellent.....	22	19	3	10

NA – not available

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