



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Warmer temperatures along with isolated rain storms occurred throughout the state, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 60 percent last week to 64 percent. Box Elder County reports rain storms over the past few weeks have improved soil moisture with dryland producers starting to plant winter wheat next week. Statewide, winter planted is at 18 percent complete, slightly behind the previous year. Beaver, Box Elder, and Iron Counties report producers were busy harvesting fourth cutting of alfalfa and harvesting corn silage. Statewide, the third cutting of alfalfa is at 89 percent complete, and the fourth cutting of alfalfa is at 40 percent complete, both slightly behind last year's progress. Statewide, corn silage harvest is at 19 percent complete, behind last year's progress. Stock water supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 19 percent short, and 80 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 15 percent poor, 18 percent fair, 63 percent good, and 4 percent excellent.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
3 <sup>rd</sup> cutting harvested.....	89	82	96	92
4 <sup>th</sup> cutting harvested.....	40	27	59	NA
Corn				
Doughed.....	90	83	95	NA
Dented.....	50	29	80	66
Harvested for silage.....	19	4	46	NA
Other hay				
2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting harvested.....	95	90	96	NA
Winter wheat				
Planted.....	18	NA	26	50
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture.....	48	27	52	27
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture.....	46	31	53	28

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.....	6.6	5.5	7.0	5.9
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	8	9	25	9
Short.....	28	31	43	29
Adequate.....	64	60	32	56
Surplus.....	--	--	--	6
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	6	7	30	12
Short.....	33	40	41	36
Adequate.....	61	53	29	50
Surplus.....	--	--	--	2

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.....	4	5	11	NA
Fair.....	30	31	16	NA
Good.....	62	61	63	NA
Excellent.....	4	3	10	NA
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	--
Fair.....	6	8	8	12
Good.....	67	67	72	69
Excellent.....	27	25	20	19
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	3	3	29	8
Poor.....	9	7	37	19
Fair.....	33	26	28	36
Good.....	50	57	6	33
Excellent.....	5	7	--	4
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	--	3	1
Fair.....	15	13	24	16
Good.....	74	73	64	70
Excellent.....	10	14	9	13
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	6	1
Fair.....	16	14	24	19
Good.....	65	64	69	70
Excellent.....	19	22	1	10

NA – not available

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