

UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 13, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Colder 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 were unchanged from last week's 69 percent. Box Elder County reports producers will be starting to harvest corn for grain next week, and the freezing temperatures have affected unharvested onions. Statewide, corn dented is currently at 95 percent complete, slightly above last year's progress, and corn mature is currently at 57 percent complete, behind last year's progress. Statewide, corn silage harvest is at 90 percent complete, slightly behind last year's progress. Beaver County reports very dry conditions. Iron County reports producers were finishing harvesting fourth cutting of alfalfa and harvesting corn silage. Statewide, the fourth cutting of alfalfa is at 91 percent complete, above last year's progress. Stock water supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 16 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Irrigation water supplies were rated 14 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 62 percent good, and 3 percent excellent.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Alfalfa hay	•					
4 th cutting harvested	91	72	73	74		
Corn						
Dented	95	80	94	91		
Mature	57	30	73	71		
Harvested for silage	90	62	97	87		
Winter wheat						
Planted	65	44	59	84		
Emerged	35	13	14	53		
Cattle and calves						
Moved from pasture	75	64	73	67		
Sheep and lambs						
Moved from pasture	64	54	77	66		
Moved from pasture NA – not available	64	54	77	<u> </u>		

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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	6.4	6.5	4.5	6.2		
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	18	11	3	4		
Short	13	20	23	28		
Adequate	65	67	74	67		
Surplus	4	2		1		
Subsoil moisture						
Very short	14	8	9	8		
Short	20	22	48	36		
Adequate	66	70	43	55		
Surplus				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)
Corn	•		· ·	· ·
Very poor				
Poor			2	
Fair	9	7	17	13
Good	62	67	67	67
Excellent	29	26	14	20
Pasture and range				
Very poor	2	2	31	8
Poor	13	8	40	17
Fair	31	32	24	35
Good	50	57	5	36
Excellent	4	1		4
Cattle and calves				
Very poor				
Poor		1	6	2
Fair	12	15	31	17
Good	75	72	54	67
Excellent	13	12	9	14
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor				
Poor			6	1
Fair	16	20	32	19
Good	64	65	58	69
Excellent	20	15	4	11

NA – not available

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