



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 26, 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warm temperatures along with afternoon Monsoon rain storms occurred throughout the state last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The percent of the state experiencing severe drought increased from 48 percent last week to 56 percent this week. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 44 percent last week to 45 percent. Statewide, the second cutting and third cutting of alfalfa are 62 percent complete and 3 percent complete, respectively, both ahead of last year's progress. Statewide, the first cutting and second cutting of other hay are 88 percent complete and 5 percent complete, respectively, both ahead of last year's progress. Beaver and Box Elder counties reports farmers were finishing the second cutting of alfalfa. Statewide, barley harvest and winter wheat harvest are 11 percent complete and 22 percent complete, respectively, both ahead of last year's progress. Statewide, corn silking is at 11 percent complete, below last year's progress. Box Elder county reports corn is silking and producers are busy harvesting winter wheat. Stock water supplies were rated 16 percent very short, 24 percent short, and 60 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 12 percent very poor, 15 percent poor, 28 percent fair, and 45 percent good.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
2 nd cutting harvested.....	62	50	56	67
3 rd cutting harvested.....	3	--	NA	NA
Barley				
Harvested.....	11	5	7	30
Corn				
Silked.....	11	1	16	25
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	88	82	83	NA
2 nd cutting harvested.....	5	--	NA	NA
Tart cherries				
Harvested.....	70	39	25	40
Winter wheat				
Harvested.....	22	5	12	38

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	6.8	7.0	6.3	6.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	21	16	1	8
Short.....	34	40	37	38
Adequate	44	44	62	53
Surplus	1	--	--	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	20	20	2	8
Short.....	34	40	37	38
Adequate	45	40	61	54
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)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	1	--	--	NA
Poor	2	1	10	NA
Fair	20	23	26	NA
Good.....	70	62	62	NA
Excellent.....	7	14	2	NA
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor	1	--	--	1
Fair	39	45	28	15
Good.....	58	52	59	66
Excellent.....	2	3	13	18
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor	1	4	--	--
Fair	24	33	24	16
Good.....	66	59	60	70
Excellent.....	9	4	16	14
Other hay				
Very poor.....	4	--	--	NA
Poor	5	1	6	NA
Fair	20	26	24	NA
Good.....	64	70	60	NA
Excellent.....	7	3	10	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	5	11	--	4
Poor.....	14	14	3	11
Fair.....	40	42	17	33
Good	40	32	63	44
Excellent	1	1	17	8
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	--	5	--	2
Poor.....	9	12	19	11
Fair.....	37	42	35	29
Good	38	33	39	48
Excellent	16	8	7	10
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	1	--	--	--
Poor.....	2	1	--	1
Fair.....	19	17	13	14
Good	69	70	70	72
Excellent	9	12	17	13
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	2	--	--	2
Fair.....	21	14	12	18
Good	62	71	67	68
Excellent	15	15	21	12

NA – not available

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