



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 2, 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warmer temperatures along with limited precipitation occurred throughout the state last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus decreased from 45 percent last week to 44 percent. Statewide, the second cutting and third cutting of alfalfa are 80 percent complete and 8 percent complete, respectively, both ahead of last year's progress. The first cutting and second cutting of other hay are 95 percent complete and 11 percent complete, respectively, both ahead of last year's progress. Reporters from both Beaver and Duchesne counties stated grasshoppers continue to be a problem for alfalfa. Statewide, barley harvest and winter wheat harvest are 23 percent complete and 30 percent complete, respectively, and corn silking is at 27 percent complete, below last year's progress. According to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor report, nine percent of the state is experiencing extreme drought (D3), with 63 percent experiencing severe drought (D2), and moderate drought (D1) throughout the rest of the state. Stock water supplies were rated 16 percent very short, 21 percent short, 59 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Irrigation water supplies were rated 12 percent very poor, 15 percent poor, 33 percent fair, and 40 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.....	80	62	70	81
3 rd cutting harvested.....	8	3	6	11
Barley				
Harvested.....	23	11	17	43
Corn				
Silked.....	27	11	37	48
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	95	88	89	NA
2 nd cutting harvested.....	11	5	10	42
Tart cherries				
Harvested.....	95	70	49	65
Winter wheat				
Harvested.....	30	22	34	59

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	7.0	6.8	6.7	6.7
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	15	21	1	8
Short.....	41	34	36	39
Adequate	44	44	63	52
Surplus	--	1	--	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	20	20	6	8
Short.....	35	34	29	38
Adequate	43	45	65	54
Surplus	2	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	1	--	NA
Poor	3	2	8	NA
Fair	21	20	24	NA
Good	69	70	61	NA
Excellent.....	6	7	7	NA
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor	--	1	--	NA
Fair	41	39	22	NA
Good.....	59	58	56	NA
Excellent.....	--	2	22	NA
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor	--	1	--	--
Fair	23	24	18	15
Good.....	70	66	57	69
Excellent.....	7	9	25	16
Other hay				
Very poor.....	4	4	--	NA
Poor	5	5	4	NA
Fair	16	20	17	NA
Good	67	64	60	NA
Excellent.....	8	7	19	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	2	5	--	5
Poor.....	15	14	6	13
Fair.....	33	40	18	33
Good	46	40	54	41
Excellent	4	1	22	8
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	9	9	17	NA
Fair.....	40	37	27	NA
Good	41	38	44	NA
Excellent	10	16	12	NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	1	1	--	--
Poor.....	2	2	--	2
Fair.....	16	19	12	14
Good	74	69	62	68
Excellent	7	9	26	16
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	2	--	--	--
Poor.....	2	2	--	2
Fair.....	20	21	10	17
Good	62	62	64	67
Excellent	14	15	26	14

NA – not available

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