



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 18, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cooler morning temperatures along with isolated rain storms occurred throughout the state during the 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 60 percent last week to 54 percent. Statewide, barley planted is currently at 49 percent complete with emergence at 12 percent complete. Beaver County reports livestock producers finishing up with calving and lambing, and farmers that have finished planting are preparing to turn on irrigation sprinklers. Box Elder County reports livestock operators were busy branding and vaccinating calves. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed were at 74 percent and 58 percent, respectively. Cows calved were 69 percent complete, farm flock ewes lambing were 62 percent complete, and range flock ewes lambing were 30 percent complete. Farm flock and range flock sheep shorn are at 55 percent and 49 percent complete, respectively. As of April 19, 2021, snowpack in Utah was 66 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 15 percent very short, 26 percent short, 58 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 20 percent very short, 30 percent short, and 50 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 3 percent very poor, 21 percent poor, 56 percent fair, and 20 percent good.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted	49	38	55	56
Emerged	12	3	24	19
Corn				
Planted	2	NA	3	NA
Tart Cherries				
Fully bloomed	20	--	19	8
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved	69	57	74	83
Moved to pasture	8	2	13	NA
Receiving supplemental feed	74	76	57	56
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambing – farm flock	62	50	69	83
Ewes lambing – range flock	30	18	29	44
Moved to pasture	12	5	16	NA
Sheep shorn – farm flock	55	40	61	56
Sheep shorn – range flock	49	30	52	53
Receiving supplemental feed	58	73	45	53

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.....	5.9	6.9	6.5	5.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	13	11	--	2
Short.....	33	29	18	14
Adequate.....	54	60	77	69
Surplus.....	--	--	5	15
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	18	20	4	4
Short.....	32	30	16	16
Adequate.....	50	50	77	71
Surplus.....	--	--	3	9

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)
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	28	26	1	2
Poor.....	34	34	6	7
Fair.....	30	36	50	41
Good.....	8	4	40	41
Excellent.....	--	--	3	9
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	10	9	5	4
Poor.....	25	16	15	12
Fair.....	34	38	41	27
Good.....	28	34	33	48
Excellent.....	3	3	6	9
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	1	--	--
Poor.....	8	11	--	2
Fair.....	34	37	19	20
Good.....	55	48	71	69
Excellent.....	3	3	10	9
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	6	9	2	2
Fair.....	44	38	30	25
Good.....	46	50	56	65
Excellent.....	4	3	12	8

NA – not available

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