



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Another week of very dry, warm weather 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 increased from 45 percent last week to 46 percent this week. Statewide, the third and fourth cuttings of alfalfa are 86 percent complete and 21 percent complete, respectively, and the second cutting of other hay is at 81 percent complete, ahead of last year's progress. Statewide, winter wheat planted is 13 percent complete. Corn doughed and corn dented are at 77 percent complete and 28 percent complete, respectively. Beaver and Box Elder counties report farmers were busy with chopping corn for silage. Statewide, corn silage harvest is 17 percent complete, ahead of last year's progress. Beaver county reports livestock are being moved from pastures earlier due to poor pasture and range conditions. Due to dry conditions, cattle and sheep moved from pasture are at 18 percent and 23 percent, respectively. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 36 percent very short, 59 percent short, and 5 percent adequate. Stock water supplies were rated 30 percent very short, 51 percent short, and 19 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 33 percent very poor, 55 percent poor, 11 percent fair, and 1 percent good.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
3 rd cutting harvested	86	77	84	85
4 th cutting harvested	21	11	18	30
Corn				
Doughed	77	64	77	81
Dented	28	9	25	32
Harvested for silage	17	8	11	NA
Other hay				
2 nd cutting harvested	81	78	76	NA
Winter wheat				
Planted	13	NA	NA	NA
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture	18	10	25	20
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture	23	12	28	20

NA – not available
(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for field work	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.1
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	4	7	34	18
Short	50	48	39	36
Adequate	44	42	27	45
Surplus	2	3	--	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	15	15	31	21
Short	42	43	32	36
Adequate	41	40	37	43
Surplus	2	2	--	--

NA – not available
(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	3	3	1	NA
Poor	9	10	6	NA
Fair	28	28	21	NA
Good.....	60	59	65	NA
Excellent	--	--	7	NA
Com				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	4	4	5	1
Fair	21	24	17	15
Good.....	65	62	65	67
Excellent	10	10	13	17
Pasture and range				
Very poor	19	21	14	10
Poor.....	40	41	21	20
Fair.....	33	29	42	35
Good	8	9	23	31
Excellent.....	--	--	--	4
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	3	3	--	--
Poor.....	7	7	4	2
Fair.....	36	35	27	20
Good	52	52	63	67
Excellent.....	2	3	6	11
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor	2	2	--	--
Poor.....	6	7	7	3
Fair.....	41	42	30	24
Good	50	42	51	61
Excellent.....	1	7	12	12

NA – not available

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