



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 17, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cold temperatures along with frost and isolated rainstorms 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 50 percent last week to 59 percent this week. Statewide, the fourth cutting of alfalfa hay was 61 percent complete, behind last year's progress. Statewide, winter wheat planted and emerged are at 66 percent complete and 51 percent complete, respectively. Corn dented and corn mature are at 80 percent complete and 52 percent complete, respectively. Statewide, corn silage harvest is 70 percent complete, behind last year's progress. Beaver and Box Elder counties report farmers are busy harvesting corn for grain. Corn harvested for grain is 40 percent complete, slightly behind last year's progress. Uintah county reports last week's moisture improved pasture and range conditions. With continued dry conditions, cattle and sheep being moved from pasture were at 54 and 50 percent moved, respectively. Due to drought conditions, cattle and sheep receiving supplemental feed has started early, at 29 and 19 percent, respectively. Stock water supplies were rated 15 percent very short, 50 percent short, and 35 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 31 percent very poor, 51 percent poor, 17 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 4 th cutting harvested.....	61	55	94	88
Corn				
Dented.....	80	71	NA	NA
Mature.....	52	47	81	76
Harvested for grain	40	28	41	NA
Harvested for silage	70	64	94	NA
Winter wheat				
Planted	66	59	71	77
Emerged.....	51	44	41	45
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture.....	54	52	81	78
Receiving supplemental feed	29	38	42	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture.....	50	48	80	76
Receiving supplemental feed	19	31	36	NA

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	4.7	5.2	7.0	6.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	4	28	10
Short.....	41	46	50	29
Adequate	55	47	22	59
Surplus	4	3	--	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	6	8	28	12
Short.....	44	50	31	30
Adequate	50	42	41	58
Surplus	--	--	--	--

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.....	4	4	6	2
Fair.....	21	21	22	14
Good.....	69	69	63	67
Excellent.....	6	6	9	17
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	15	18	17	11
Poor.....	48	40	27	19
Fair.....	36	32	41	36
Good.....	1	10	15	30
Excellent.....	--	--	--	4
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	2	3	--	--
Poor.....	11	8	3	2
Fair.....	37	32	33	20
Good.....	47	54	55	65
Excellent.....	3	3	9	13
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	1	2	--	--
Poor.....	6	6	7	3
Fair.....	43	41	30	21
Good.....	45	45	50	62
Excellent.....	5	6	13	14

NA – not available

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