



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 24, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Another week of cool, wet weather has improved pasture and range conditions 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 59 percent last week to 64 percent this week. Statewide, the fourth cutting of alfalfa hay was 63 percent complete. Statewide, winter wheat planted and emerged are at 70 percent complete and 55 percent complete, respectively. Box Elder county reports producers were busy harvesting corn for grain and finishing safflower harvest for part of the week until it was halted due to wet weather. Corn dented and corn mature are at 85 percent complete and 57 percent complete, respectively. Statewide, corn silage harvest is 72 percent complete. Corn harvested for grain is 43 percent complete, behind last year's progress. Beaver county reports livestock are being moved from pastures due to poor pasture and range conditions. Box Elder county reports livestock producers were weaning and vaccinating calves for auction. With continued dry conditions, cattle and sheep being moved from pasture were at 61 percent and 57 percent moved, respectively, and cattle and sheep receiving supplemental feed were at 25 percent and 21 percent, respectively. Stock water supplies were rated 11 percent very short, 45 percent short, and 44 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 33 percent very poor, 47 percent poor, 13 percent fair, and 7 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..... | 63 | 61 | NA | NA |
| Corn | | | | |
| Dented..... | 85 | 80 | NA | NA |
| Mature..... | 57 | 52 | 87 | 85 |
| Harvested for grain | 43 | 40 | 59 | 39 |
| Harvested for silage | 72 | 70 | NA | NA |
| Winter wheat | | | | |
| Planted | 70 | 66 | 80 | NA |
| Emerged..... | 55 | 51 | 56 | 56 |
| Cattle and calves | | | | |
| Moved from pasture..... | 61 | 54 | 85 | 84 |
| Receiving supplemental feed | 25 | 29 | 46 | NA |
| Sheep and lambs | | | | |
| Moved from pasture..... | 57 | 50 | 83 | 85 |
| Receiving supplemental feed | 21 | 19 | 40 | NA |

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 | 5.3 | 4.7 | 6.9 | 6.5 |
| Topsoil moisture | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Very short..... | 1 | -- | 34 | 11 |
| Short..... | 35 | 41 | 45 | 31 |
| Adequate | 59 | 55 | 21 | 56 |
| Surplus | 5 | 4 | -- | 2 |
| Subsoil moisture | | | | |
| Very short..... | 3 | 6 | 31 | 13 |
| Short..... | 38 | 44 | 34 | 34 |
| Adequate | 59 | 50 | 35 | 52 |
| Surplus | -- | -- | -- | 1 |

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

| | Current week | Previous week | Previous year | 5-year average |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Corn | | | | |
| Very poor..... | -- | -- | -- | NA |
| Poor..... | 4 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Fair..... | 24 | 21 | 18 | NA |
| Good..... | 66 | 69 | 68 | NA |
| Excellent..... | 6 | 6 | 9 | NA |
| Pasture and range | | | | |
| Very poor..... | 17 | 15 | 20 | 11 |
| Poor..... | 42 | 48 | 32 | 22 |
| Fair..... | 40 | 36 | 36 | 36 |
| Good..... | 1 | 1 | 12 | 28 |
| Excellent..... | -- | -- | -- | 3 |
| Winter wheat | | | | |
| Very poor..... | 16 | NA | NA | NA |
| Poor..... | 22 | NA | NA | NA |
| Fair..... | 30 | NA | NA | NA |
| Good..... | 29 | NA | NA | NA |
| Excellent..... | 3 | NA | NA | NA |
| Cattle and calves | | | | |
| Very poor..... | 5 | 2 | 1 | -- |
| Poor..... | 11 | 11 | 5 | 3 |
| Fair..... | 37 | 37 | 30 | 20 |
| Good..... | 45 | 47 | 56 | 63 |
| Excellent..... | 2 | 3 | 8 | 14 |
| Sheep and lambs | | | | |
| Very poor..... | 3 | 1 | -- | -- |
| Poor..... | 9 | 6 | 9 | 3 |
| Fair..... | 45 | 43 | 33 | 23 |
| Good..... | 41 | 45 | 45 | 59 |
| Excellent..... | 2 | 5 | 13 | 15 |

NA – not available

(--) – zero