



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF DECEMBER 2022

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Moisture levels for topsoil were rated 93 percent adequate to surplus, compared with 69 percent on the last weekly report at the end of November, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Subsoil moisture levels also improved compared with the previous report. Winter wheat condition rated fair to excellent increased from 80 percent on the previous report to 90 percent. The percentage of cattle and calves receiving supplemental feed was 60 percent, compared with 52 percent on the previous report. Sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed was 50 percent, compared with 41 percent on the previous report. Beaver County reports noted that livestock producers were dealing with calving issues due to recent snowstorms. Box Elder County reports indicated that producers were busy feeding cattle. As of January 3, 2023, snowpack in Utah was 170 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 18 percent short and 82 percent adequate, compared with 25 percent very short, 32 percent short, 42 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, last report. Stock water supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 17 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus, compared with 12 percent very short, 32 percent short, and 56 percent adequate, last report.

**Note:** Monthly reports will be released for January on January 30, 2023; for February on February 27, 2023; and for March on March 27, 2023.

### LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved .....	1	NA	1	NA
Receiving supplemental feed .....	60	52	81	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambled – farm flock .....	1	NA	--	NA
Receiving supplemental feed .....	50	41	56	NA

NA – not available

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### SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Very short .....	--	5	--	NA
Short .....	7	26	11	NA
Adequate .....	65	69	89	NA
Surplus .....	28	--	--	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	--	21	--	NA
Short .....	8	37	19	NA
Adequate .....	65	42	81	NA
Surplus .....	27	--	--	NA

NA – not available

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**CROP, LIVESTOCK, AND PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION**

Commodity	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
<b>Pasture and range</b>				
Very poor .....	11	11	2	NA
Poor .....	17	36	23	NA
Fair.....	70	39	42	NA
Good.....	2	14	33	NA
Excellent .....	--	--	--	NA
<b>Winter wheat</b>				
Very poor .....	--	7	--	NA
Poor .....	10	13	9	NA
Fair.....	22	36	64	NA
Good.....	58	41	27	NA
Excellent .....	10	3	--	NA
<b>Cattle and calves</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Poor .....	1	--	3	NA
Fair.....	15	31	35	NA
Good.....	71	65	59	NA
Excellent .....	13	4	3	NA
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Poor .....	6	1	3	NA
Fair.....	34	32	41	NA
Good.....	57	59	55	NA
Excellent .....	3	8	1	NA

NA – not available

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