



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 31, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Hot and dry conditions persisted in Utah last week, although a few areas received isolated but beneficial moisture, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 32 percent last week to 39 percent. According to the United States Drought Monitor for July 28, 2022, 100 percent of the State continues to experience drought conditions. Extreme drought conditions are affecting 84 percent of the State, unchanged from last week, and 8 percent of the State is facing exceptional drought conditions. Beaver and Box Elder Counties reported producers have finished their second cutting of alfalfa. Box Elder County reported a hot, dry week with above normal temperatures, and fruit producers were beginning to harvest peaches. Iron County reports some localities continue to receive monsoon moisture, but the afternoon rain showers hindering hay harvest. Summit and Washington Counties reported receiving much needed moisture last week. The second cuttings of alfalfa hay and other hay are 58 percent complete and 33 percent complete, respectively. The third cutting of alfalfa hay is 3 percent complete. Statewide, barley harvest and winter wheat harvest are 48 percent complete and 45 percent complete, respectively. Statewide, corn silking is at 43 percent complete. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 21 percent very short, 25 percent short, 49 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus, compared to 21 percent very short, 28 percent short, 46 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were rated 17 percent very short, 32 percent short, and 51 percent adequate, compared to 20 percent very short, 36 percent short, and 44 percent adequate last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 21 percent very poor, 24 percent poor, 41 percent fair, and 14 percent good, compared to 25 percent very poor, 28 percent poor, 32 percent fair, and 15 percent good last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
2 nd cutting harvested	58	46	73	76
3 rd cutting harvested	3	--	6	9
Barley				
Harvested	48	20	34	27
Corn				
Silked.....	43	18	43	37
Other hay				
2 nd cutting harvested	33	23	27	26
Tart cherries				
Harvested	98	76	92	70
Winter wheat				
Harvested	45	24	50	43

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	6.5	6.7	6.0	6.7
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	28	32	32	14
Short.....	33	36	45	41
Adequate	39	32	23	45
Surplus	--	--	--	--
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	27	33	29	15
Short.....	40	38	43	38
Adequate	33	29	28	47
Surplus	--	--	--	--

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, AND PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	1	3	1	--
Poor	7	9	13	6
Fair.....	22	31	25	21
Good.....	55	46	61	66
Excellent	15	11	--	7
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	3	1
Poor	4	4	22	5
Fair.....	43	40	43	26
Good.....	50	48	29	56
Excellent	3	8	3	12
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	8	7	4	1
Fair.....	28	35	25	20
Good.....	50	50	61	63
Excellent	14	8	10	16
Other hay				
Very poor	5	7	6	2
Poor	10	11	21	9
Fair.....	38	31	36	25
Good.....	43	49	37	56
Excellent	4	2	--	8
Pasture and range				
Very poor	15	16	27	10
Poor	27	32	37	20
Fair.....	25	24	27	31
Good.....	33	28	9	33
Excellent	--	--	--	6
Winter wheat				
Very poor	12	16	17	6
Poor	17	15	41	20
Fair.....	35	38	28	34
Good.....	28	25	14	34
Excellent	8	6	--	6
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	--	--	1	--
Poor	5	4	8	4
Fair.....	25	30	35	19
Good.....	64	61	55	67
Excellent	6	5	1	10
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor	--	--	1	1
Poor	4	5	8	4
Fair.....	26	33	35	23
Good.....	67	58	53	61
Excellent	3	4	3	11

NA – not available

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