



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 14, 2022

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Cooler temperatures along with monsoon rainstorms improved soil moisture 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 46 percent last week to 56 percent. According to the United States Drought Monitor for August 11, 2022, 100 percent of the State continues to experience drought conditions. Extreme drought conditions are affecting 79 percent of the State, down four percentage point from last week, and 4 percent of the State is facing exceptional drought conditions. Box Elder County reports unharvested winter wheat was sprouting due to the recent moisture and humidity. Beaver, Box Elder, and Iron Counties received monsoon moisture the past several weeks, which has affected hay quality and delayed the third cutting of alfalfa hay. Box Elder, Iron, and Washington Counties report this week's monsoon moisture improved pasture and range conditions. The second cuttings of alfalfa hay and other hay are 83 percent complete and 55 percent complete, respectively. The third cutting of alfalfa hay is 10 percent complete. Statewide, barley harvest and winter wheat harvest are 78 percent complete and 65 percent complete, respectively. Corn silking and corn dough are at 73 percent complete and 11 percent complete, respectively. Due to dry conditions, cattle and sheep moved from pasture have started earlier, with an estimated 7 percent of cattle and calves and 10 percent of sheep and lambs moved from pasture. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 20 percent very short, 27 percent short, 47 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus, compared to 17 percent very short, 28 percent short, 50 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were rated 11 percent very short, 30 percent short, 58 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, compared to 15 percent very short, 35 percent short, and 50 percent adequate last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 18 percent very poor, 30 percent poor, 39 percent fair, and 13 percent good, compared to 20 percent very poor, 27 percent poor, 45 percent fair, and 8 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 <sup>nd</sup> cutting harvested .....	83	73	94	NA
3 <sup>rd</sup> cutting harvested .....	10	9	33	31
Barley				
Harvested .....	78	70	65	60
Corn				
Silked.....	73	63	72	73
Doughed.....	11	2	NA	NA
Other hay				
2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting harvested .....	55	51	59	50
Winter wheat				
Harvested .....	65	56	82	79
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture.....	7	NA	NA	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture.....	10	NA	NA	NA

NA – not available  
(-) – zero

### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	5.9	5.6	7.0	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	13	20	26	16
Short.....	31	34	50	43
Adequate .....	48	39	24	41
Surplus .....	8	7	--	--
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	14	20	31	16
Short.....	35	39	45	38
Adequate .....	50	41	24	46
Surplus .....	1	--	--	--

NA – not available  
(-) – zero

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

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
<b>Alfalfa hay</b>				
Very poor .....	2	3	3	1
Poor .....	10	9	14	6
Fair .....	29	26	29	19
Good .....	46	47	54	68
Excellent .....	13	15	--	6
<b>Corn</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor .....	6	8	4	1
Fair .....	32	27	29	18
Good .....	49	50	57	67
Excellent .....	13	15	10	14
<b>Pasture and range</b>				
Very poor .....	10	11	29	12
Poor .....	26	26	41	22
Fair .....	29	30	23	32
Good .....	34	32	7	29
Excellent .....	1	1	--	5
<b>Cattle and calves</b>				
Very poor .....	1	--	2	1
Poor .....	9	5	9	3
Fair .....	22	26	37	20
Good .....	64	63	51	69
Excellent .....	4	6	1	7
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	2	--
Poor .....	5	4	7	3
Fair .....	25	26	43	25
Good .....	67	66	42	62
Excellent .....	3	4	6	10

NA – not available  
 (--) – zero