



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Warmer temperatures along with limited precipitation 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 45 percent last week to 53 percent this week. Beaver, Box Elder, and Iron Counties report farmers are busy harvesting corn silage and the fourth cutting of alfalfa. Iron County reports producers were busy with field preparation for fall winter wheat seeding. Statewide, the third and fourth cuttings of alfalfa are 80 percent complete and 20 percent complete, respectively. Statewide, winter wheat planted and emerged are at 45 percent complete and 18 percent complete, respectively. Corn doughed and corn dented are at 80 percent complete and 50 percent complete, respectively, and corn mature is at 22 percent complete. Statewide, corn silage harvest is 35 percent complete. Due to dry conditions, cattle and sheep moved from pasture have started earlier, with an estimated 26 percent of cattle and calves and 34 percent of sheep and lambs moved from pasture. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 5 percent very short, 22 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus, compared to 11 percent very short, 26 percent short, 59 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were rated 10 percent very short, 47 percent short, and 43 percent adequate, compared to 7 percent very short, 49 percent short, and 44 percent adequate last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 25 percent very poor, 32 percent poor, 28 percent fair, and 15 percent good, compared to 20 percent very poor, 41 percent poor, 27 percent fair, and 12 percent good last week.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
3 <sup>rd</sup> cutting harvested .....	80	71	94	NA
4 <sup>th</sup> cutting harvested .....	20	10	31	47
Corn				
Doughed .....	80	70	89	NA
Dented .....	50	40	49	65
Mature .....	22	10	16	NA
Harvested for silage .....	35	24	38	42
Winter wheat				
Planted .....	45	37	37	34
Emerged .....	18	9	23	NA
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture .....	26	21	29	41
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture .....	34	29	33	42

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 .....	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	13	12	16	18
Short .....	34	43	42	36
Adequate .....	52	44	42	45
Surplus.....	1	1	--	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	15	23	24	20
Short .....	38	39	45	37
Adequate .....	46	37	31	43
Surplus.....	1	1	--	--

NA – not available

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

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor .....	4	5	4	1
Poor .....	17	16	14	8
Fair.....	29	38	37	26
Good .....	49	40	44	57
Excellent .....	1	1	1	8
Corn				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor .....	3	2	9	3
Fair.....	33	25	25	14
Good .....	57	66	58	64
Excellent .....	7	7	8	19
Pasture and range				
Very poor .....	5	9	21	15
Poor .....	18	23	37	21
Fair.....	34	35	32	33
Good .....	42	33	10	28
Excellent .....	1	--	--	3
Cattle and calves				
Very poor .....	--	1	4	1
Poor .....	1	6	13	5
Fair.....	21	19	36	23
Good .....	75	72	44	62
Excellent .....	3	2	3	9
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor .....	--	--	4	1
Poor .....	--	3	11	5
Fair.....	22	29	40	25
Good .....	72	63	40	57
Excellent .....	6	5	5	12

NA – not available

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