



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 2, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Another week of dry, warm weather 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 decreased from 53 percent last week to 51 percent this week. Statewide, the third and fourth cuttings of alfalfa are 90 percent complete and 27 percent complete, respectively. Statewide, winter wheat planted and emerged are at 64 percent complete and 39 percent complete, respectively. Box Elder County reports farmers are busy harvesting corn for grain. Corn doughed and corn dented are at 90 percent complete and 60 percent complete, respectively, and corn mature is at 40 percent complete. Statewide, corn silage harvest is 49 percent complete. Corn being harvested for grain has just started and was at 3 percent complete by the end of the week. Due to dry conditions, cattle and sheep moved from pasture have started earlier, with an estimated 40 percent of cattle and calves and 46 percent of sheep and lambs moved from pasture. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 13 percent very short, 24 percent short, 59 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus, compared to 5 percent very short, 22 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were rated 8 percent very short, 40 percent short, and 52 percent adequate, compared to 10 percent very short, 47 percent short, and 43 percent adequate last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 22 percent very poor, 35 percent poor, 37 percent fair, and 6 percent good, compared to 25 percent very poor, 32 percent poor, 28 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				
3 rd cutting harvested	90	80	NA	NA
4 th cutting harvested	27	20	41	61
Corn				
Doughed	90	80	94	NA
Dented	60	50	60	77
Mature	40	22	31	42
Harvested for grain	3	--	NA	NA
Harvested for silage	49	35	49	61
Winter wheat				
Planted	64	45	53	50
Emerged	39	18	37	19
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture	40	26	39	50
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture	46	34	37	53

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	5.9	6.5	6.1
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	12	13	12	15
Short	37	34	50	35
Adequate	50	52	38	48
Surplus.....	1	1	--	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	20	15	16	16
Short	36	38	51	38
Adequate	43	46	33	46
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	4	4	NA
Poor	12	17	10	NA
Fair.....	31	29	35	NA
Good	43	49	50	NA
Excellent	10	1	1	NA
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	5	3	9	3
Fair.....	31	33	25	15
Good	48	57	60	63
Excellent	16	7	6	19
Pasture and range				
Very poor	8	5	17	13
Poor	26	18	39	24
Fair.....	32	34	34	33
Good	33	42	10	28
Excellent	1	1	--	2
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	--	--	3	1
Poor	3	1	8	4
Fair.....	23	21	34	23
Good	67	75	52	64
Excellent	7	3	3	8
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor	--	--	2	--
Poor	3	--	7	4
Fair.....	21	22	39	26
Good	67	72	46	61
Excellent	9	6	6	9

NA – not available

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