



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 23, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warm weather with weekend rain and snowstorms 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 50 percent last week to 51 percent this week. According to the United States Drought Monitor published on October 20, 2022, 100 percent of the State continues to experience drought conditions. Extreme drought conditions are affecting 49 percent of the State, unchanged from last week, and 3 percent of the State is facing exceptional drought conditions. Statewide, the fourth cutting of alfalfa hay was 56 percent complete. Statewide, winter wheat planted and emerged are at 82 percent complete and 63 percent complete, respectively. Beaver and Box Elder Counties report farmers are busy harvesting corn for grain. Corn dented and corn mature are at 75 percent complete and 63 percent complete, respectively. Statewide, corn silage harvest is 70 percent complete and corn harvested for grain was 33 percent complete by the end of the week. An estimated 60 percent of cattle and calves and 59 percent of sheep and lambs have been moved from pasture. Cattle and sheep receiving supplemental feed are at 23 percent and 20 percent, respectively. Stock water supplies were rated 13 percent very short, 35 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, compared to 12 percent very short, 34 percent short, 53 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 20 percent very poor, 23 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 19 percent good, and 1 percent excellent, compared to 23 percent very poor, 27 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 12 percent good, and 1 percent excellent last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
4 th cutting harvested	56	50	63	NA
Corn				
Dented	75	70	84	NA
Mature	63	59	56	80
Harvested for grain	33	24	43	43
Harvested for silage	70	64	72	NA
Winter wheat				
Planted	82	80	69	NA
Emerged	63	59	54	51
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture	60	53	60	78
Receiving supplemental feed	23	16	25	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture	59	55	56	77
Receiving supplemental feed	20	17	21	NA

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	6.4	6.8	5.3	6.4
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	10	14	1	11
Short	39	36	35	33
Adequate	51	50	59	55
Surplus.....	--	--	5	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	15	20	3	12
Short	41	35	38	38
Adequate	44	44	59	50
Surplus.....	--	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)
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	--	NA
Poor	6	3	4	NA
Fair.....	32	25	24	NA
Good	52	58	66	NA
Excellent	10	14	6	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor	5	7	17	14
Poor	24	30	42	28
Fair.....	29	30	40	35
Good	40	31	1	21
Excellent	2	2	--	2
Winter wheat				
Very poor	5	4	16	NA
Poor	9	9	22	NA
Fair.....	36	37	30	NA
Good	48	48	29	NA
Excellent	2	2	3	NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	--	1	5	1
Poor	4	5	11	5
Fair.....	20	24	37	24
Good	72	65	45	60
Excellent	4	5	2	10
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor	--	--	3	1
Poor	3	1	9	5
Fair.....	22	24	45	29
Good	66	65	41	53
Excellent	9	10	2	12

NA – not available

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