

UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2023

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cold winter temperatures along with snowstorms occurred throughout the State for the month of February, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 88 percent last month to 99 percent. Box Elder County reports livestock producers continued feeding cattle due to the cold weather. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed are at 87 percent and 84 percent, respectively. Beaver and Box Elder Counties report livestock producers were dealing with calving issues due to the cold weather. Calving and lambing were 8 percent and 12 percent, respectively. As of February 27, 2023, snowpack in Utah was 153 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 39 percent short and 59 percent adequate, compared with 15 percent very short, 29 percent short and 56 percent adequate last report. Stock water supplies were rated 8 percent short and 92 percent adequate, compared with 14 percent short and 86 percent adequate last report.

Note: A monthly report will be released for March on March 27, 2023. The first weekly report will be released on Monday, April 3,2023.

LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Cattle and calves	,	, ,	,			
Cows calved	8	4	6	NA		
Receiving supplemental feed	87	70	85	NA		
Sheep and lambs						
Ewes lambed – farm flock	12	5	10	NA		
Receiving supplemental feed	84	51	60	NA		

NA - not available

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SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	·· ′	·· ′	. 2	" NA ´
Short	1	12	35	NA
Adequate	77	69	63	NA
Surplus	22	19		NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short			2	NA
Short	1	13	43	NA
Adequate	99	84	55	NA
Surplus		3		NA

NA - not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range	u ,	,	,	, ,
Very poor	2	2	3	NA
Poor	10	20	28	NA
Fair	59	35	56	NA
Good	29	43	13	NA
Excellent				NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor				NA
Poo	6	6	15	NA
Fair	28	45	65	NA
Goo	66	42	20	NA
Excellent		7		NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor				NA
Poor	8	9	6	NA
Fai	50	36	46	NA
Good	42	54	47	NA
Excellent		1	1	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor				NA
Poor	6	12	7	NA
Fair	53	53	51	NA
Good	41	35	39	NA
Excellent			3	NA

NA – not available (--) – zero