



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 2, 2023

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Another week of cold temperatures along with snowstorms delayed planting throughout the State during the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture conditions rated adequate to surplus were unchanged from last report at 100 percent. Box Elder County reports onions planting delayed by another two weeks. Box Elder and Cache Counties reported winter wheat had past 100 days of snow cover and was now susceptible to snow mold. Statewide, barley planted was at 1 percent complete, below last year's progress. Box Elder County reports livestock producers continued feeding cattle due to the heavy snowpack. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed were at 93 percent and 90 percent, respectively. Box Elder County reports livestock producers were dealing with calving issues due to the adverse weather conditions. Cows calved were 48 percent complete. Farm flock ewes lambing were 41 percent complete, and range flock ewes lambing were 20 percent complete. Snowpack in Utah, according to Natural Resources Conservation Service as of April 3, 2023, was 201 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 10 percent very short, 41 percent short, 43 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus, compared with 7 percent very short, 34 percent short, 52 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus last report. Stock water supplies were rated 2 percent short, 89 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus, compared with 2 percent short, 90 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus last report.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Planted.....	1	--	11	18
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved.....	48	26	54	51
Receiving supplemental feed.....	93	92	62	77
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambing – farm flock.....	41	23	43	45
Ewes lambing – range flock.....	20	7	18	15
Sheep shorn – farm flock.....	25	16	36	NA
Sheep shorn – range flock.....	5	1	13	NA
Receiving supplemental feed.....	90	86	58	63

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	2.1	NA	5.2	5.4
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	--	1	3
Short.....	--	--	30	15
Adequate.....	42	48	69	72
Surplus.....	58	52	--	10
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	4	6
Short.....	2	2	38	26
Adequate.....	61	70	58	63
Surplus.....	37	28	--	5

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	1	1	4	6
Poor.....	25	25	26	23
Fair.....	46	42	58	45
Good.....	28	28	12	22
Excellent.....	--	4	--	4
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	7	--	--	3
Poo.....	20	11	8	13
Fair.....	57	66	51	37
Goo.....	15	22	34	39
Excellent.....	1	1	7	8
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	2	--	--	--
Poor.....	15	16	7	4
Fai.....	37	38	33	28
Good.....	45	45	56	63
Excellent.....	1	1	4	5
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	2	--	--	--
Poor.....	20	20	6	5
Fair.....	54	47	42	31
Good.....	23	32	45	58
Excellent.....	1	1	7	6

NA – not available

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