



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 30, 2023

**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 conditions rated adequate to surplus decreased from 96 percent last week to 90 percent. Statewide, barley planted advanced to 28 percent complete with 4 percent emerged. Box Elder County producers were preparing to plant corn within the week. Statewide, corn planted was currently at 8 percent complete. Box Elder County livestock operators were branding and vaccinating calves prior to pasture turnout. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs moved to pasture are at 32 percent and 26 percent, respectively. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed were both at 73 percent. Cows calved were 88 percent complete. Box Elder County reported range sheep continuing to be shorn and lambing progressed. Farm flock ewes lambing were 88 percent complete and range flock ewes lambing were 54 percent complete. Farm flock and range flock sheep shorn were at 78 percent and 69 percent complete, respectively. Snowpack in Utah, according to Natural Resources Conservation Service as of May 1, 2023, was 253 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 7 percent very short, 40 percent short, 50 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus, compared with 11 percent very short, 42 percent short, 44 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were rated 1 percent short, 84 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus, compared with 1 percent short, 91 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus last week. Beaver County farmers were preparing to turn on irrigation sprinklers. Irrigation water supplies were rated 1 percent poor, 55 percent good, and 44 percent excellent, compared with 3 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 45 percent excellent last week.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted.....	28	18	71	75
Emerged .....	4	1	30	44
Corn				
Planted.....	8	3	9	16
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved.....	88	83	85	88
Moved to pasture .....	32	20	44	35
Receiving supplemental feed .....	73	80	36	48
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambing – farm flock .....	88	78	85	NA
Ewes lambing – range flock .....	54	46	63	61
Moved to pasture .....	26	13	45	44
Sheep shorn – farm flock .....	78	72	83	79
Sheep shorn – range flock .....	69	61	82	77
Receiving supplemental feed .....	73	82	36	43

NA – not available  
(--) – zero

**DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION**

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	5.8	4.7	6.5	6.2
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	1	--	4	5
Short.....	9	4	31	29
Adequate.....	60	57	65	62
Surplus.....	30	39	--	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	4	7
Short.....	5	3	33	28
Adequate.....	66	64	63	60
Surplus.....	29	33	--	5

NA – not available

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

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	8	7	--	--
Poor.....	3	5	3	2
Fair.....	26	26	42	29
Good.....	51	48	48	64
Excellent.....	12	14	7	5
Other hay				
Very poor.....	9	10	1	--
Poor.....	16	15	13	5
Fair.....	25	18	41	28
Good.....	43	48	45	60
Excellent.....	7	9	--	7
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	--	1	4	7
Poor.....	6	9	21	18
Fair.....	43	48	58	42
Good.....	48	39	17	28
Excellent.....	3	3	--	5
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	6	12	2	6
Poor.....	11	18	11	17
Fair.....	41	35	44	33
Good.....	37	35	34	35
Excellent.....	5	--	9	9
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	2	2	--	--
Poor.....	10	10	2	2
Fair.....	31	39	26	22
Good.....	55	48	64	67
Excellent.....	2	1	8	9
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	3	2	--	--
Poor.....	13	13	2	3
Fair.....	41	47	30	28
Good.....	42	37	54	60
Excellent.....	1	1	14	9

NA – not available

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