



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 14, 2023

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warm 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 93 percent last week to 90 percent. Box Elder County reported producers were replanting winter wheat lost to winter kill to safflower. Statewide, barley planted advanced to 73 percent complete with 27 percent emerged. Beaver and Box Elder Counties reported producers were busy planting corn. Statewide, corn planted was 38 percent complete with 1 percent emerged. Cache County reported livestock producers had not moved livestock to pasture due to flooding. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs moved to pasture were at 49 percent and 51 percent, respectively. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed were at 51 percent and 47 percent, respectively. Cows calved were 95 percent complete. Farm flock ewes lambing were 90 percent complete and range flock ewes lambing were 73 percent complete. Farm flock and range flock sheep shorn were at 87 percent and 79 percent complete, respectively. Snowpack in Utah, according to Natural Resources Conservation Service as of May 14, 2023, was 291 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 14 percent very short, 46 percent short, 37 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus, compared with 14 percent very short, 37 percent short, 46 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 2 percent short, 84 percent adequate, and 13 percent surplus, compared with 4 percent short, 87 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 10 percent fair, 44 percent good, and 46 percent excellent, compared with 4 percent fair, 53 percent good, and 43 percent excellent last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted.....	73	50	90	NA
Emerged.....	27	9	60	73
Corn				
Planted.....	38	28	42	48
Emerged.....	1	--	2	11
Tart cherries				
Fully bloomed.....	4	1	53	69
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved.....	95	92	94	NA
Moved to pasture.....	49	39	64	58
Receiving supplemental feed.....	51	62	NA	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambing – farm flock.....	90	89	94	NA
Ewes lambing – range flock.....	73	66	90	82
Moved to pasture.....	51	41	68	71
Sheep shorn – farm flock.....	87	84	94	91
Sheep shorn – range flock.....	79	77	94	NA
Receiving supplemental feed.....	47	42	NA	NA

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	6.6	6.0	6.9	6.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	1	1	7	9
Short.....	9	6	40	31
Adequate.....	63	62	53	56
Surplus.....	27	31	--	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	1	--	9	9
Short.....	4	4	46	35
Adequate.....	70	62	45	53
Surplus.....	25	34	--	3

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.....	1	2	2	1-
Poor.....	2	2	8	3
Fair.....	17	24	33	23
Good.....	69	60	54	66
Excellent.....	11	12	3	7
Other hay				
Very poor.....	2	3	1	1
Poor.....	8	7	4	5
Fair.....	34	33	39	26
Good.....	50	52	56	60
Excellent.....	6	5	--	8
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	1	1	3	7
Poor.....	4	8	26	18
Fair.....	32	34	55	38
Good.....	58	55	16	30
Excellent.....	5	2	--	7
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	9	6	2	6
Poor.....	15	9	24	20
Fair.....	38	44	47	34
Good.....	35	37	22	31
Excellent.....	3	4	5	9
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	2	--	--	--
Poor.....	8	10	3	2
Fair.....	26	27	28	21
Good.....	61	60	66	69
Excellent.....	3	3	3	8
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	3	2	--	--
Poor.....	16	13	3	3
Fair.....	39	48	22	21
Good.....	41	37	71	71
Excellent.....	1	--	4	5

NA – not available

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