



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 28, 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 84 percent last week to 78 percent. Statewide, the first cutting of alfalfa and the first cutting of other hay were both at 3 percent complete. Statewide, barley emerged was at 70 percent complete with headed at 1 percent complete. Statewide, corn planted was 72 percent complete with 38 percent emerged. Winter wheat headed is at 5 percent complete. Box Elder County reported livestock producers had not moved livestock to pasture due to snowpack. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs moved to pasture were at 69 percent and 73 percent, respectively. Farm flock ewes lambing were 95 percent complete and range flock ewes lambing were 84 percent complete. Farm flock and range flock sheep shorn were at 95 percent and 87 percent complete, respectively. Snowpack in Utah, according to Natural Resources Conservation Service as of May 30, 2023, was 331 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 6 percent very short, 42 percent short, 47 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus, compared with 9 percent very short, 44 percent short, 42 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were rated 3 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 22 percent surplus, compared with 5 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 7 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 41 percent excellent, compared with 6 percent fair, 44 percent good, and 50 percent excellent last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	3	--	5	7
Barley				
Emerged.....	70	55	81	NA
Headed.....	1	NA	NA	NA
Corn				
Planted.....	72	56	73	74
Emerged.....	38	17	39	43
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	3	--	10	5
Tart cherries				
Fully bloomed.....	95	30	79	NA
Winter wheat				
Headed.....	5	--	34	23
Cattle and calves				
Moved to pasture	69	60	82	77
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambing – farm flock	95	91	NA	NA
Ewes lambing – range flock.....	84	79	NA	NA
Moved to pasture	73	63	92	90
Sheep shorn – farm flock	95	89	NA	NA
Sheep shorn – range flock	87	82	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	7.0	6.2	6.2
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	3	2	9	13
Short	19	14	37	32
Adequate	61	66	54	51
Surplus	17	18	--	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	2	1	9	12
Short	14	10	41	33
Adequate	66	67	50	51
Surplus	18	22	--	4

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	1	2	1
Poor	4	2	5	3
Fair	22	22	34	26
Good	58	62	45	60
Excellent	15	13	14	10
Barley				
Very poor	--	NA	--	--
Poor	2	NA	4	4
Fair	24	NA	44	32
Good	65	NA	46	49
Excellent	9	NA	6	15
Other hay				
Very poor	1	1	6	2
Poor	3	3	11	7
Fair	30	39	42	27
Good	59	50	40	55
Excellent	7	7	1	9
Pasture and range				
Very poor	3	2	5	9
Poor	8	7	32	22
Fair	26	29	43	32
Good	57	56	20	28
Excellent	6	6	--	9
Winter wheat				
Very poor	6	8	2	7
Poor	9	11	25	24
Fair	32	31	41	31
Good	44	41	25	28
Excellent	9	9	7	10
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	--	1	--	--
Poor	1	3	1	1
Fair	27	27	22	20
Good	60	60	72	70
Excellent	12	9	5	9
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor	1	5	--	--
Poor	3	10	2	2
Fair	43	44	19	25
Good	43	39	68	65
Excellent	10	2	11	8

NA – not available

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