



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 4, 2023

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Planting of spring crops continued throughout the State last week amidst isolated precipitation, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture conditions rated adequate to surplus decreased from 78 percent last week to 73 percent. Statewide, the first cutting of alfalfa and the first cutting of other hay were at 19 percent and 8 percent complete, respectively. Statewide, ninety-one percent of the barley was emerged with 12 percent headed. Statewide, corn planted was 87 percent complete with 52 percent emerged. Winter wheat headed is at 25 percent complete. Box Elder County reported first cutting of alfalfa hay began but progress was dependent upon weather conditions. Livestock producers were finishing branding and spring vaccinations. Producers were beginning to move stock to summer ranges which remained behind due to snowpack. Fruit producers in the county also noted a good set so far this year. In Cache County, barley was reported behind normal. Grand County noted some cattle were in poor shape on early spring ranges due to limited growth of cool season grass other than cheatgrass. Increased aphid pressure in Grand County orchards was noted along with grasshoppers starting to hatch. In Beaver County, reports indicated the first cutting of alfalfa began and the crop was in good condition. Statewide, cattle and calves and sheep and lambs moved to pasture were at 89 percent and 81 percent, respectively. Range flock ewes lambing were 92 percent complete and range flock sheep shorn were at 89 percent complete. Snowpack in Utah, according to Natural Resources Conservation Service as of June 5, 2023, was 475 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 10 percent very short, 35 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus, compared with 6 percent very short, 42 percent short, 47 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were rated 2 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus, compared with 3 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 22 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 2 percent poor, 10 percent fair, 51 percent good, and 37 percent excellent, compared with 7 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 41 percent excellent last week.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

| Commodity                              | Current week | Previous week | Previous year | 5-year average |
|--|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
|  | (percent)    | (percent)     | (percent)     | (percent)      |
| Alfalfa hay                            |              |               |               |                |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> cutting harvested..... | 19           | 3             | 20            | 20             |
| Barley                                 |              |               |               |                |
| Emerged .....                          | 91           | 70            | 89            | NA             |
| Headed .....                           | 12           | 1             | 8             | 13             |
| Corn                                   |              |               |               |                |
| Planted.....                           | 87           | 72            | 83            | NA             |
| Emerged .....                          | 52           | 38            | 61            | 57             |
| Other hay                              |              |               |               |                |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> cutting harvested..... | 8            | 3             | 25            | 16             |
| Winter wheat                           |              |               |               |                |
| Headed .....                           | 25           | 5             | 53            | 42             |
| Cattle and calves                      |              |               |               |                |
| Moved to pasture .....                 | 89           | 69            | 86            | 85             |
| Sheep and lambs                        |              |               |               |                |
| Ewes lambing – range flock.....        | 92           | 84            | NA            | NA             |
| Moved to pasture .....                 | 81           | 73            | 96            | NA             |
| Sheep shorn – range flock.....         | 89           | 87            | 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..... | 7.0          | 6.6           | 6.2           | 6.5            |
| Topsoil moisture                 | (percent)    | (percent)     | (percent)     | (percent)      |
| Very short.....                  | 2            | 3             | 9             | 11             |
| Short.....                       | 25           | 19            | 25            | 29             |
| Adequate.....                    | 60           | 61            | 66            | 56             |
| Surplus.....                     | 13           | 17            | --            | 4              |
| Subsoil moisture                 |              |               |               |                |
| Very short.....                  | 2            | 2             | 9             | 10             |
| Short.....                       | 17           | 14            | 32            | 29             |
| Adequate.....                    | 67           | 66            | 59            | 58             |
| Surplus.....                     | 14           | 18            | --            | 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            | 1             | --            | --             |
| Poor.....         | 2            | 4             | 4             | 4              |
| Fair.....         | 15           | 22            | 34            | 23             |
| Good.....         | 61           | 58            | 47            | 61             |
| Excellent.....    | 21           | 15            | 15            | 12             |
| Barley            |              |               |               |                |
| Very poor.....    | --           | --            | --            | --             |
| Poor.....         | 2            | 2             | 5             | 4              |
| Fair.....         | 22           | 24            | 43            | 29             |
| Good.....         | 64           | 65            | 46            | 52             |
| Excellent.....    | 12           | 9             | 6             | 15             |
| Other hay         |              |               |               |                |
| Very poor.....    | --           | 1             | 3             | 1              |
| Poor.....         | 2            | 3             | 8             | 6              |
| Fair.....         | 20           | 30            | 50            | 25             |
| Good.....         | 62           | 59            | 39            | 60             |
| Excellent.....    | 16           | 7             | --            | 8              |
| Pasture and range |              |               |               |                |
| Very poor.....    | 2            | 3             | 3             | 8              |
| Poor.....         | 7            | 8             | 19            | 17             |
| Fair.....         | 18           | 26            | 47            | 32             |
| Good.....         | 65           | 57            | 31            | 33             |
| Excellent.....    | 8            | 6             | --            | 10             |
| Winter wheat      |              |               |               |                |
| Very poor.....    | 6            | 6             | 2             | 6              |
| Poor.....         | 9            | 9             | 5             | 18             |
| Fair.....         | 27           | 32            | 35            | 29             |
| Good.....         | 48           | 44            | 47            | 35             |
| Excellent.....    | 10           | 9             | 11            | 12             |
| Cattle and calves |              |               |               |                |
| Very poor.....    | --           | --            | --            | --             |
| Poor.....         | 1            | 1             | 1             | 2              |
| Fair.....         | 32           | 27            | 19            | 19             |
| Good.....         | 56           | 60            | 75            | 71             |
| Excellent.....    | 11           | 12            | 5             | 8              |
| Sheep and lambs   |              |               |               |                |
| Very poor.....    | 1            | 1             | --            | --             |
| Poor.....         | 3            | 3             | 2             | 3              |
| Fair.....         | 43           | 43            | 21            | 21             |
| Good.....         | 40           | 43            | 73            | 69             |
| Excellent.....    | 13           | 10            | 4             | 7              |

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