



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

United States Department of Agriculture
NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE
UTAH FIELD OFFICE

P.O. Box 150969 · Lakewood, CO 80215-0969



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
June 12, 2023

Contact: John Hilton
(800) 392-3202

CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 11, 2023

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork in Utah, down from 7.0 days the previous week. Statewide temperatures were mostly normal, but with higher activity of precipitation. In northern Utah, the weather was fair with scattered thunderstorms throughout the week. In Box Elder County, some producers held off the first cutting hay. The precipitation caused hay to go down and some got wet. The rain showers damaged and bleached some first cutting hay crops. Producers have been cutting, raking, and baling hay as weather allows. Cattle producers have moved most of their livestock to summer ranges. In Millard County, the presence of wind dried out topsoil. Most farmers began the process of first cutting hay, but other farmers have held off due to the scattered thunderstorms. Almost all corn has been planted. In Carbon County, livestock have been moved to higher elevation allotments. Many alfalfa fields experienced delayed cuttings and late green up due to cool spring weather. Range forage continued to improve in the areas that received consistent precipitation over the past three weeks. In southwestern Utah, most areas stayed dry as there was less precipitation in that region. In Beaver County, the first cutting hay was looking good. Farmers reported the alfalfa crop was looking better than normal. Livestock were also doing well. Hay and roughage supplies were reported as 19 percent very short, 26 percent short, 48 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were reported as 3 percent short, 86 percent adequate and 11 percent surplus. Irrigation water supplies were reported as 1 percent poor, 7 percent fair, 51 percent good, and 41 percent excellent.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
1 st cutting harvested	43	19	40	40
Barley				
Emerged	98	91	94	NA
Headed	27	12	20	28
Corn				
Planted	93	87	87	NA
Emerged	81	52	76	70
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested	22	8	40	30
Winter wheat				
Headed	51	25	71	62
Cattle and calves				
Moved to pasture	93	89	90	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambled – range flock	93	92	NA	NA
Moved to pasture	87	81	NA	NA
Sheep shorn – range flock	92	89	NA	NA

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	6.7	7.0	6.7	6.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	3	2	11	13
Short	21	25	32	32
Adequate	68	60	57	52
Surplus	8	13	--	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	2	2	9	14
Short	17	17	41	30
Adequate	64	67	50	55
Surplus	17	14	--	1

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	1	1	--	--
Poor	2	2	3	6
Fair	20	15	30	23
Good	61	61	48	60
Excellent	16	21	19	11
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	2	2	4	4
Fair	21	22	42	26
Good	70	64	48	54
Excellent	7	12	6	16
Corn				
Very poor	1	NA	--	--
Poor	3	NA	--	3
Fair	21	NA	40	25
Good	70	NA	53	64
Excellent	5	NA	7	8
Other hay				
Very poor	--	--	3	2
Poor	3	2	8	7
Fair	28	20	44	21
Good	58	62	40	60
Excellent	11	16	5	10
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	2	2	4	8
Poor.....	7	7	28	20
Fair.....	27	18	41	29
Good	56	65	26	32
Excellent.....	8	8	1	11
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	7	6	2	7
Poor.....	14	9	5	16
Fair.....	31	27	31	29
Good	39	48	49	33
Excellent.....	9	10	13	15
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	1	1
Poor.....	2	1	5	3
Fair.....	27	32	21	20
Good	62	56	68	66
Excellent.....	9	11	5	10
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	1	1	--	--
Poor.....	3	3	5	4
Fair.....	41	43	26	23
Good	41	40	64	65
Excellent.....	14	13	5	8

NA – not available

(--) – zero