



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 13, 2023

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warmer temperatures and limited precipitation blanketed Utah during the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. In Box Elder County, good week of warm weather allowed farmers to resume third cutting of alfalfa hay and winter wheat harvest. In Millard County, some producers were finishing up their third cutting of alfalfa hay, while others finishing the second cutting. Statewide, the second cutting of alfalfa hay and other hay were 81 percent complete and 50 percent complete, respectively. The third cutting of alfalfa hay was 18 percent complete. Statewide, barley harvest and winter wheat harvest are 35 percent complete and 54 percent complete, respectively. Corn silking and corn dough were 81 percent complete and 17 percent complete, respectively. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 6 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 16 percent excellent. Stock water supplies were rated 13 percent short, 85 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus, compared with 8 percent short, 89 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 2 percent poor, 26 percent fair, 57 percent good, and 15 percent excellent, compared with 1 percent poor, 22 percent fair, 56 percent good, and 21 percent excellent last week.

CROP PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
2 nd cutting harvested	81	70	82	NA
3 rd cutting harvested.....	18	7	10	23
Barley				
Harvested.....	35	22	77	61
Corn				
Silked	81	72	72	68
Doughed	17	8	10	NA
Other hay				
2 nd cutting harvested	50	47	54	44
Tart Cherries				
Harvested.....	95	91	NA	NA
Winter wheat				
Harvested.....	54	33	64	74
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture	2	NA	NA	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture	1	NA	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.....	6.9	5.2	5.9	6.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	--	3	13	17
Short	37	38	31	40
Adequate	62	53	48	41
Surplus	1	6	8	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	5	--	14	17
Short.....	26	29	35	38
Adequate	64	63	50	45
Surplus	5	8	1	--

NA – not available
(--) – zero

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	6	7	10	8
Fair	33	32	29	23
Good	53	51	46	61
Excellent	7	9	13	7
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	NA	NA
Poor	3	3	NA	NA
Fair	15	12	NA	NA
Good	72	80	NA	NA
Excellent	10	5	NA	NA
Corn				
Very poor	4	--	--	--
Poor	2	4	6	2
Fair	28	29	32	21
Good	57	58	49	63
Excellent	9	9	13	14
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	1	1	10	12
Poor.....	4	2	26	24
Fair.....	38	33	29	31
Good.....	48	48	34	29
Excellent.....	9	16	1	4
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	10	8	NA	NA
Poor.....	13	12	NA	NA
Fair.....	39	41	NA	NA
Good.....	34	35	NA	NA
Excellent.....	4	4	NA	NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	1	1
Poor.....	1	1	9	5
Fair.....	24	24	22	22
Good.....	66	64	64	66
Excellent.....	9	11	4	6
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	2	1	5	4
Fair.....	41	42	25	24
Good.....	44	45	67	63
Excellent.....	13	12	3	9

NA – not available

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