



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 29, 2023

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Colder temperatures, as well as rain and snowstorms 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 85 percent last week to 82 percent this week. Box Elder County producers had finished their fourth cutting of alfalfa. Statewide, the fourth cutting of alfalfa hay was 60 percent complete. Statewide, winter wheat emergence was at 91 percent complete. Corn dented and corn mature were at 95 percent complete and 84 percent complete, respectively. Beaver and Box Elder Counties reported farmers were busy harvesting both corn for grain and hay. Statewide, corn silage harvest was 80 percent complete. Corn being harvested for grain was 52 percent complete by the end of the week. Grand, Summit, and Washington Counties reported cattle have been moved from pastures. Statewide, cattle and sheep moved from pasture were at 78 percent complete and 79 percent complete, respectively. Cattle and sheep receiving supplemental feed started early, at 35 and 25 percent, respectively. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 2 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 23 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
4 th cutting harvested.....	60	50	59	NA
Corn				
Dented	95	90	84	NA
Mature.....	84	76	72	81
Harvested for grain.....	52	37	43	46
Harvested for silage	80	77	74	NA
Winter wheat				
Emerged	91	86	71	59
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture	78	71	63	77
Receiving supplemental feed	35	33	27	36
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture	79	73	61	77
Receiving supplemental feed	25	21	18	30

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.....	5.6	6.9	6.7	6.4
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	6	6	10	13
Short.....	12	9	31	31
Adequate.....	66	75	59	54
Surplus.....	16	10	--	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	6	7	17	15
Short.....	9	7	37	34
Adequate.....	71	76	46	50
Surplus.....	14	10	--	1

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)
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	1	--	5	NA
Fair.....	20	21	27	NA
Good.....	62	63	50	NA
Excellent.....	17	16	18	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	--	--	6	14
Poor.....	9	9	24	31
Fair.....	24	29	37	32
Good.....	60	53	31	22
Excellent.....	7	9	2	1
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	2	2	7	NA
Poor.....	12	10	14	NA
Fair.....	46	40	38	NA
Good.....	32	38	39	NA
Excellent.....	8	10	2	NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	2	5	3	3
Fair.....	10	13	25	28
Good.....	67	61	63	61
Excellent.....	21	21	9	8
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	3	4	1	3
Fair.....	15	16	25	29
Good.....	56	54	62	56
Excellent.....	26	26	12	12

NA – not available

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