



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 19, 2023

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warmer temperatures and rainstorms prevailed 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 increased from 80 percent last week to 87 percent this week. Beaver County reports noted that fieldwork was completed for the season, and farmers were busy disking fields in preparation for next year's crop season. Box Elder County reports indicated that fall winter wheat growth was a concern; range sheep were grazing down winter wheat to limit growth to help prevent snow mold. Statewide, the fourth cutting of alfalfa hay was 78 percent complete. Corn harvested for grain was 87 percent complete. Corn for silage harvest was 95 percent complete. Cattle and sheep moved from pasture were at 85 percent complete and 83 percent complete, respectively. Cattle and sheep receiving supplemental feed started early, at 31 and 30 percent, respectively. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 1 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 24 percent surplus, compared with 4 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 22 percent surplus last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
4 th cutting harvested.....	78	70	77	NA
Corn				
Harvested for grain.....	87	71	76	76
Harvested for silage	95	89	94	NA
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture	85	84	73	NA
Receiving supplemental feed	31	28	52	55
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture	83	82	67	NA
Receiving supplemental feed	30	29	41	47

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.....	5.9	5.8	6.8	6.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	--	8	2	5
Short	13	12	30	34
Adequate	68	61	68	61
Surplus	19	19	--	--
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	2	10	13	11
Short	12	10	39	37
Adequate	70	62	48	52
Surplus	16	18	--	--

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	--	--	8	13
Poor.....	12	15	30	31
Fair.....	20	26	41	39
Good.....	59	50	21	17
Excellent.....	9	9	--	--
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	2	3	7	6
Poor.....	9	11	13	24
Fair.....	37	37	40	42
Good.....	39	37	38	25
Excellent.....	13	12	2	3
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	7	4	4
Fair.....	10	13	23	28
Good.....	67	58	66	62
Excellent.....	22	22	7	6
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	4	4	5
Fair.....	11	17	28	27
Good.....	61	55	63	59
Excellent.....	27	24	5	9

NA – not available

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