



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 7, 2024

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Another week of cooler temperatures along with rain and snowstorms delayed planting throughout the State during the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture conditions rated adequate to surplus decreased from 91 percent last week to 87 percent. Beaver County reports farmers have turned on irrigation sprinklers. Box Elder County reports recent rainstorms have delayed field work and spring planting. Cache County reports farmers have started field work and spring planting. Grand and Millard Counties noted windy conditions drying out topsoil. Statewide, barley planted was at 16 percent complete with 1 percent emerged. Cattle and calves as well as sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed were at 59 percent and 38 percent, respectively. Cows calved were 59 percent complete. Farm flock ewes lambing and range flock ewes lambing were at 47 percent and 27 percent, respectively. Farm flock and range flock sheep shorn were at 27 percent and 17 percent complete, respectively. Snowpack in Utah, according to Natural Resources Conservation Service as of April 8, 2024, was 138 percent measured as percent of median snowfall.

Hay and roughage supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 5 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 19 percent surplus, compared with 3 percent very short, 10 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 22 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 1 percent short, 87 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus, compared with 1 percent short, 86 percent adequate, and 13 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 1 percent poor, 4 percent fair, 77 percent good, and 18 percent excellent.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted.....	16	5	4	24
Emerged .....	1	NA	NA	NA
Tart cherries				
Fully bloomed.....	6	NA	NA	NA
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved.....	59	38	59	60
Moved to pasture .....	9	NA	NA	NA
Receiving supplemental feed .....	59	71	89	77
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambing – farm flock .....	47	32	50	51
Ewes lambing – range flock .....	27	16	26	24
Moved to pasture .....	5	NA	NA	NA
Sheep shorn – farm flock .....	27	9	46	40
Sheep shorn – range flock .....	17	9	19	23
Receiving supplemental feed .....	38	85	88	67

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.....	4.6	6.1	1.6	5.1
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	4	2	--	3
Short.....	9	7	--	16
Adequate.....	74	73	43	62
Surplus.....	13	18	57	19
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	4	--	--	7
Short.....	8	5	4	18
Adequate.....	78	81	52	61
Surplus.....	10	14	44	14

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)
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	8	--	1	6
Poor.....	9	6	23	22
Fair.....	46	55	39	46
Good.....	32	37	37	23
Excellent.....	5	2	--	3
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	8	5
Poor.....	8	8	26	13
Fair.....	19	25	48	38
Good.....	61	52	17	39
Excellent.....	12	15	1	5
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	1	--	2	1
Poor.....	4	5	13	8
Fair.....	11	13	35	31
Good.....	73	73	49	56
Excellent.....	11	9	1	4
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	2	--	2	--
Poor.....	6	3	19	9
Fair.....	18	17	59	39
Good.....	58	64	19	48
Excellent.....	16	16	1	4

NA – not available

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