



Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

There was an average of 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork across the State for the week ending May 18, 2014. There were good growing conditions in **Box Elder County** during the past week. Farmers are busy irrigating their grain. Dry land wheat and safflower conditions look good. It was another great week for crops in **Cache County**. Growers are busy planting corn, spraying small grains for weeds, and moving livestock to pastures and rangelands.

Field Crop Summary

Alfalfa is looking good in **Beaver County**. Corn planting is also going well. Corn is emerging in many fields in **Box Elder County**. Farmers are busy irrigating their grain. Dry land wheat and safflower conditions look good. Corn planting is a little behind in **Weber County** due to the rain, but will have good moisture to germinate it.

Livestock Summary

Many ranchers in **Box Elder County** are moving cattle to spring pastures. Most of these pastures look good except for those that have black grass bugs which have stunted the growth of grass. Ranges look good in **Morgan County**. In **Rich County**, cows have been turned out to the ranges. The range is in far better shape than this time last year.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending May 18, 2014

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	6	41	51	2
Subsoil	6	38	54	2
Stock water supplies	2	22	74	2

Crop Progress & Development for Week Ending May 18, 2014

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	Crop Progress			
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Barley Emerged	96	89	86	78
Oats Planted	94	91	85	84
Oats Emerged	71	65	61	57
Spring Wheat Emerged	93	90	94	78
Corn Planted	72	50	72	62
Corn Emerged	16	NA	32	21
Apples Full Bloom	21	8	82	79
Apricots Full Bloom	65	63	94	98
Peach Full Bloom	90	85	98	96
Sweet Cherries Full Bloom	89	80	91	94
Tart Cherries Full Bloom	22	NA	96	88

Livestock Percent for Week Ending May 18, 2014

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cows Calved	94	92	97	98
Ewes Lambled on Range	91	81	78	78

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending May 18, 2014

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Range & Pasture	-	6	40	49	5
Winter Wheat	-	4	19	56	21
Barley	-	-	11	68	21
Sheep	-	-	17	76	7
Cattle/calves	-	1	21	67	11

Soil Moisture - Utah Soil Climate Analysis Network - May-19-2014

Site name	Weekly Precip	Current Precip ¹	Prev. Yr. Precip ²	Soil Moisture					Current Avail. Water**	Current Avail. Water % of AWC*	Prev. Yr. Avail. Water**	Prev. Yr. Avail. Water % of AWC*
				2"	4"	8"	20"	40"				
				volume %								
WESTERN												
Grouse Creek	0.00	7.9	5.6	5	17	23	24	20	4.7	69	4.4	65
Park Valley	0.00	6.1	6.7	2	5	13	38	28	6.4	116	3.9	70
Goshute	0.00	6.1	4.9	15	1	46	32	24	2.5	89	2.2	78
Dugway	0.00	4.2	4.2	3	11	7	nd	4	0.8	45	0.6	36
Tule Valley	0.00	3.7	4.7	13	16	24	20	11	5.4	107	5.3	107
Hal's Canyon	0.00	2.8	2.9	1	5	10	12	9	1.1	21	0.8	16
Enterprise	0.00	4.1	5.0	10	34	24	14	15	1.5	37	1.3	32
DIXIE												
Sand Hollow	0.00	5.9	4.0	0	1	0	1	0	0.2	8	0.1	3
NORTH CENTRAL												
Blue Creek	0.00	8.7	6.5	28	31	38	34	20	5.9	139	4.5	106
Cache Junction	0.02	11.5	9.9	25	25	37	36	38	3.6	90	4.4	111
Grantsville	0.00	6.8	6.3	3	13	23	29	nd	1.6	49	0.8	25
SOUTH CENTRAL												
Nephi	0.00	7.2	5.8	14	17	16	8	1	0.5	10	0.7	15
Ephraim	0.01	6.7	6.0	9	12	17	19	34	1.4	30	1.6	35
Holden	0.00	5.6	5.3	7	8	3	14	13	0.8	13	1.2	20
Milford	0.00	3.8	4.7	22	28	19	27	16	2.1	32	2.0	30
Manderfield	0.00	5.9	5.7	8	19	13	11	5	0.6	12	1.0	19
Circleville	0.00	2.9	2.4	17	16	10	10	15	1.2	19	0.4	5
Panguitch	0.00	4.0	2.6	10	21	16	21	30	1.7	29	1.3	23
Cave Valley	0.00	7.6	9.9	4	6	7	6	7	1.9	36	1.0	21
Vermillion	0.00	6.6	4.9	0	0	4	7	8	0.2	4	0.4	8
Spooky	0.03	4.4	3.4	3	3	4	18	2	0.2	8	0.4	15
NORTHERN MOUNTAINS												
Chicken Ridge, sagebrush	0.14	5.0	7.1	18	21	26	25	25	6.1	85	4.9	68
Chicken Ridge, aspen	0.14	5.0	7.1	16	21	22	18	18	2.9	47	1.7	28
Buffalo Jump	0.12	5.5	5.9	11	15	15	15	na	0.9	20	1.6	36
Morgan	0.05	11.7	12.8	27	24	28	33	19	6.8	81	na	na
UINTAH BASIN												
Mountain Home	0.00	3.4	5.6	21	28	26	21	12	1.3	22	2.3	40
Little Red Fox	0.00	2.5	4.5	6	19	33	30	33	5.2	73	5.3	75
Split Mountain	0.00	4.6	4.1	4	17	13	13	12	1.4	21	1.7	24
SOUTHEAST												
Price	0.00	3.7	4.7	0	11	19	15	17	2.3	30	3.1	40
Green River	0.00	3.1	2.7	10	15	10	6	8	5.4	99	5.3	98
Harm's Way	0.01	6.2	3.9	0	10	15	15	6	1.7	34	3.0	59
West Summit	0.01	5.1	2.9	13	18	18	20	17	2.1	33	1.6	26
Eastland	0.00	5.1	3.4	12	12	17	30	31	5.2	87	5.9	100
Alkali Mesa	0.00	4.4	4.5	6	8	16	19	14	0.9	17	1.1	21
McCracken Mesa	0.00	4.3	4.9	8	15	17	17	13	2.2	61	3.3	90
¹ from: 10/01/2013 to present ² from: 10/01/12 to 05/19/13 na = no sensor Frozen soils read lower than actual soil moisture; affected soil in <i>bold italics</i>									What the colors mean:			
**plant available water in the top 40" of soil nd = missing data										= below wilting point (WP); too dry		
*AWC = available water capacity in the top 40" of soil										= between WP & FC; ideal		
										= above field capacity (FC); too wet		