



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY Utah experienced another week of storms throughout the state with 15 of the 34 weather stations reporting 0.05 inches of precipitation or more, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Farmers were finishing up third cutting of alfalfa with almost one-fourth of fourth cutting of alfalfa completed. Corn silage harvest has started with 3 percent complete. Cache County reports hot and dry conditions requiring farmers to continue to irrigate hay fields, pastures, and newly seeded winter wheat. Winter wheat planting is 17 percent complete compared to 15 percent last year. Stock water supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 25 percent short, and 72 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 10 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 12 percent fair, 61 percent good, and 13 percent excellent.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
3 rd cutting harvested	86	82	82	77
4 th cutting harvested	26	12	42	NA
Apples				
Harvested	17	14	12	20
Barley				
Harvested	97	92	NA	NA
Corn				
Dough.....	93	79	78	82
Dented.....	30	13	17	33
Corn Silage				
Harvested for silage	3	NA	NA	NA
Oats				
Harvested	88	85	81	83
Onions				
Harvested	29	10	37	NA
Other hay				
2 nd cutting harvested.....	95	92	92	NA
Peaches				
Harvested	81	56	59	66
Spring Wheat				
Harvested	95	89	NA	NA
Winter Wheat				
Planted.....	17	8	15	24
Cattle and Calves				
Moved from summer range	10	4	14	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from summer range	7	1	12	NA

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 field work	6.7	6.7	6.9	6.1
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	5	5	12	12
Short	40	31	35	36
Adequate.....	55	64	52	51
Surplus.....	--	--	1	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	9	5	14	16
Short	35	30	34	39
Adequate.....	56	65	51	45
Surplus.....	--	--	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)
Alfalfa Hay				
Very poor.....	--	1	NA	NA
Poor.....	2	4	NA	NA
Fair.....	22	13	NA	NA
Good.....	58	57	NA	NA
Excellent.....	18	25	NA	NA
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	--	1
Fair.....	11	11	12	15
Good.....	57	66	76	67
Excellent.....	31	22	12	17
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	3	5	4	4
Poor.....	14	12	11	15
Fair.....	30	26	40	40
Good.....	44	46	39	37
Excellent.....	9	11	6	4
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	1	1
Fair.....	9	12	12	18
Good.....	78	74	68	70
Excellent.....	12	13	19	11
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	1	--	NA
Fair.....	27	25	14	NA
Good.....	62	65	70	NA
Excellent.....	11	9	16	NA

NA – not available

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Utah's weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Utah/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2017/UT_Weather_09102017.pdf