



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 29, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warmer temperatures along with limited precipitation occurred throughout the State last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 45 percent last week to 54 percent. Beaver County reports farmers have finished planting corn and are preparing equipment for the first cutting of alfalfa. Box Elder County reports farmers were waiting for fields to dry out to resume first cutting of alfalfa. Carbon County reports noted short, irrigated alfalfa stands due to lack of soil moisture. Iron County reports noted another week of dry and windy conditions. Statewide, the first cutting of alfalfa and the first cutting of other hay are 6 percent complete and 11 percent complete, respectively. Statewide, barley emerged was at 82 percent complete with headed at 1 percent complete. Corn planted was at 75 percent complete with emergence at 42 percent complete. Winter wheat headed is at 37 percent complete. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs moved to pasture are at 83 percent and 93 percent complete, respectively. As of May 31, 2022, snowpack in Utah was 95 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 39 percent very short, 36 percent short, 24 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, compared to 47 percent very short, 30 percent short, 22 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were rated 5 percent very short, 33 percent short, and 62 percent adequate, compared to 7 percent very short, 39 percent short, 53 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 14 percent very poor, 17 percent poor, 60 percent fair, and 9 percent good, compared to 11 percent very poor, 21 percent poor, 53 percent fair, and 15 percent good last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	6	2	7	11
Barley				
Emerged	82	77	84	NA
Headed	1	NA	NA	NA
Corn				
Planted.....	75	64	68	78
Emerged	42	22	43	49
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	11	4	2	5
Tart cherries				
Fully bloomed	81	68	93	NA
Winter wheat				
Headed	37	14	25	26
Cattle and calves				
Moved to pasture	83	74	70	80
Sheep and lambs				
Moved to pasture	93	84	85	90

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	6.2	6.8	6.9	6.3
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	9	9	23	12
Short	37	46	45	28
Adequate	54	45	32	56
Surplus.....	--	--	--	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	9	14	25	10
Short	41	45	45	28
Adequate	50	41	30	58
Surplus.....	--	--	--	4

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, AND PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	2	--	1	NA
Poor	5	6	6	NA
Fair.....	34	36	32	NA
Good	45	53	59	NA
Excellent	14	5	2	NA
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	4	4	6	3
Fair.....	44	37	35	24
Good	46	55	49	55
Excellent	6	4	10	18
Other hay				
Very poor	6	4	1	NA
Poor	11	10	14	NA
Fair.....	42	39	36	NA
Good	40	47	49	NA
Excellent	1	--	--	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor	5	6	27	8
Poor	32	30	42	16
Fair.....	43	46	30	28
Good	20	18	1	36
Excellent	--	--	--	12
Winter wheat				
Very poor	2	2	11	6
Poor	25	17	36	20
Fair.....	41	44	35	30
Good	25	30	12	34
Excellent	7	7	6	10
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	--	--	1	--
Poor	1	1	2	1
Fair.....	22	20	29	19
Good	72	73	63	71
Excellent	5	6	5	9
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	2	1	6	2
Fair.....	19	20	34	25
Good	68	70	57	66
Excellent	11	9	3	7

NA – not available

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