



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 23, 2024

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Temperatures across the State cooled significantly in the first half of last week before heating back up to above average temperatures by the weekend, with precipitation returning to near-normal averages in some areas of the State, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Abnormally dry conditions continued to persist in much of eastern and southern Utah, with moderate drought conditions still existing along the Colorado border, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor. In Cache County, the low temperatures lead to some frost damage to the corn crop. While in Box Elder County, frost caused significant damage to the corn crop, and damage to other crops has yet to be observed. In San Juan County, there were reports of over 2 inches of rain last week, while in Grand County, over 1 inch of rain was reported. Topsoil moisture conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 67 percent last week to 73 percent. Statewide, the first cutting of alfalfa and the first cutting of other hay were at 74 percent and 63 percent complete, respectively. In Summit County, producers were about finished harvesting their alfalfa, and were starting to harvest their other hay crops. Statewide, barley emerged was at 95 percent complete, with headed at 90 percent complete. Statewide, corn planting increased slightly, with 95 percent of the crop in the ground by week's end; 88 percent was emerged, up from 84 percent in the previous week. Winter wheat headed was at 98 percent complete, compared to 87 percent headed last week. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs moved to pasture were both at 95 percent respectively. Range flock ewes lambing were 88 percent complete.

Hay and roughage supplies were reported as 1 percent very short, 5 percent short, 80 percent adequate, and 14 percent surplus, compared with 1 percent very short, 6 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 21 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were reported as 1 percent very short, 5 percent short, 75 percent adequate and 19 percent surplus, compared with 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were reported as 1 percent poor, 16 percent fair, 72 percent good, and 11 percent excellent, compared with 1 percent poor, 11 percent fair, 74 percent good, and 14 percent excellent 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.....	74	54	76	72
Barley				
Emerged.....	95	92	NA	NA
Headed.....	90	53	59	60
Corn				
Planted.....	95	92	NA	NA
Emerged.....	88	84	92	NA
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	63	45	62	58
Tart cherries				
Harvested.....	3	2	NA	NA
Winter Wheat				
Headed.....	98	87	80	86
Cattle and calves				
Moved to pasture.....	95	85	NA	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambing – range flock.....	88	86	96	NA
Moved to pasture.....	95	89	94	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 fieldwork.....	6.6	7.0	6.8	6.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	4	8	1	13
Short.....	23	25	29	33
Adequate.....	57	54	64	52
Surplus.....	15	13	6	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	2	2	--	13
Short.....	18	20	16	28
Adequate.....	65	64	76	56
Surplus.....	15	14	8	3

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	1	1	--
Poor	1	2	1	6
Fair	28	25	26	26
Good	63	63	60	58
Excellent	7	9	12	10
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	--	--	--	5
Fair	8	5	15	27
Good	78	85	78	53
Excellent	14	10	7	15
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	5	--	1	4
Fair	15	7	16	28
Good	75	84	73	60
Excellent	5	9	10	8
Other hay				
Very poor	1	1	0	2
Poor	1	1	1	9
Fair	13	13	20	25
Good	71	70	63	52
Excellent	14	15	16	12
Pasture and range				
Very poor	2	4	0	8
Poor	4	3	1	18
Fair	19	20	20	26
Good	61	57	63	36
Excellent	14	16	16	12
Winter wheat				
Very poor	2	1	2	7
Poor	6	6	9	17
Fair	14	15	42	34
Good	58	58	41	32
Excellent	20	20	6	10
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	1	1	--	--
Poor	1	1	--	3
Fair	8	9	19	21
Good	69	70	68	65
Excellent	21	19	13	11
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	1	2	--	3
Fair	14	15	36	27
Good	62	58	49	58
Excellent	23	25	15	12

NA – not available

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