



UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 7, 2024

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Average temperatures varied across Utah for the week, with slightly below average precipitation, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Abnormally dry conditions have spread to northern Utah and continue to persist in much of eastern and southern Utah, with moderate drought conditions along the Colorado border receding entirely, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor. In Grand County, most crops had begun to recover from the recent hailstorms in the area. Topsoil moisture conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 75 percent last week to 77 percent. Statewide, the first cutting of alfalfa and the first cutting of other hay were at 93 percent and 91 percent complete, respectively, while the second cutting of alfalfa was at 6 percent. In Grand and Beaver counties, damage to the alfalfa crop has been caused by grasshoppers. In Cache County, the corn crop has not fully recovered from the frost that occurred a couple of weeks ago. Statewide, barley headed was at 92 percent complete. Statewide, winter wheat harvested was reported at 2 percent complete. Tart cherries harvested increased from 4 percent last week to 5 percent this week.

Hay and roughage supplies were reported as 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 19 percent surplus, compared with 1 percent very short, 2 percent short, 85 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were reported as 2 percent short, 77 percent adequate, and 21 percent surplus, compared with 5 percent short, 83 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were reported as 2 percent poor, 10 percent fair, 70 percent good, and 18 percent excellent, compared with 4 percent poor, 10 percent fair, 75 percent good, and 11 percent excellent last week.

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Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	93	88	94	91
2 nd cutting harvested.....	6	5	16	17
Barley				
Headed	95	92	93	84
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	91	80	89	80
Tart cherries				
Harvested.....	5	4	2	9
Winter Wheat				
Harvested.....	2	--	2	2

NA – not available
(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	7.0	6.1	7.0	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	2	3	6	17
Short	21	22	30	38
Adequate	57	60	61	44
Surplus	20	15	3	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	1	2	4	15
Short	16	20	20	33
Adequate	63	64	72	50
Surplus	20	14	4	2

NA – not available
(--) – zero

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	1
Poor	8	7	3	8
Fair	12	20	34	30
Good	73	66	53	54
Excellent	6	6	9	7
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	--	--	2	5
Fair	7	7	18	31
Good	84	83	73	50
Excellent	9	10	7	14
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	1	--
Poor	1	1	3	3
Fair	12	13	31	28
Good	77	78	59	59
Excellent	10	8	6	10
Other hay				
Very poor	1	1	1	2
Poor	1	1	4	6
Fair	11	13	36	28
Good	80	77	49	55
Excellent	7	8	10	9
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	2	2	--	9
Poor.....	2	4	2	17
Fair.....	10	17	31	26
Good	74	70	55	37
Excellent.....	12	7	12	11
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	2	3	8	9
Poor.....	4	6	12	17
Fair.....	8	12	37	32
Good	75	67	36	32
Excellent.....	11	12	7	10
Cattle and calves				
Very poor.....	1	1	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	1	4
Fair.....	5	5	32	22
Good	74	75	55	63
Excellent.....	19	18	12	10
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	2	3
Fair.....	9	10	39	25
Good	72	71	44	61
Excellent.....	18	18	15	21

NA – not available

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