

UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 11, 2024

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cooler temperatures coupled with monsoon rainstorms improved soil moisture throughout the State last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 59 percent last week to 68 percent as of August 11. Beaver and Millard Counties received monsoon moisture the past several weeks, which has affected hay quality and delayed the third cutting of alfalfa hay. Beaver County reported this week's monsoonal moisture improved pasture and range conditions. Statewide, the second cutting of alfalfa and other hay progressed to 85 percent and 57 percent complete, respectively, with the third cutting of alfalfa progress reported at 14 percent. Statewide, barley harvest and winter wheat harvest are 75 percent complete and 64 percent complete, respectively. Corn in the silking stage was reported at 72 percent, with 19 percent of the corn crop at the doughed stage.

Hay and roughage supplies were reported as 3 percent short, 89 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus, compared with 3 percent short, 95 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were reported as 3 percent short, 91 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus, compared with 12 percent short, 87 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were reported as 6 percent fair, 86 percent good, and 8 percent excellent, compared with 1 percent poor, 8 percent fair, 88 percent good, and 3 percent excellent, last week.

CROP PROGRESS							
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average			
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)			
Alfalfa hay	. ,	, ,	. ,	,			
2 nd cutting harvested	85	81	78	83			
3 rd cutting harvested	14	7	15	17			
Barley							
Harvested for grain	75	46	31	47			
Corn							
Silking	72	65	78	64			
Doughed	19	14	14	NA			
Other hay							
2 nd cutting harvested	57	52	49	39			
Tart cherries							
Harvested	95	49	94	NA			
Winter Wheat							
Harvested for grain	64	51	48	62			

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	6.3	6.9	6.9	6.7		
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	2	6		12		
Short	30	35	37	39		
Adequate	60	58	62	47		
Surplus	8	1	1	2		
Very short	3	5	5	14		
Short	26	32	26	34		
Adequate	65	62	64	51		
Surnlus	6	1	5	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	u ,	,	,	" ,
Very poor	1	1	1	1
Poor	5	4	6	7
Fair	23	14	33	27
Good	68	77	53	57
Excellent	3	4	7	8
Corn	-	·	·	
Very poor		1	4	1
Poor		1	2	3
Fair	19	20	28	25
Good	80	77	57	59
Excellent	1	1	a a	12
Pasture and range	•	'		12
Very poor		1	1	q
Poor	2	5	4	18
Fair	19	20	38	29
Good	71	66	48	37
Excellent	8	Ω	9	7
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Cattle and calves				
Very poor				1
Poor			1	4
Fair	3	4	24	23
Good	88	91	66	64
Excellent	9	5	9	8
Sheep and lambs	-			
Very poor				
Poor	1	1	2	3
Fair	12	12	41	27
Good	79	83	44	59
Excellent	8	4	13	11

NA – not available (--) – zero