



# UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 6, 2024

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Another week of warm, dry weather occurred 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 decreased from 64 percent last week to 56 percent as of October 6. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor for October 3, drought conditions were present across more than 10 percent of the State, unchanged from last week. Abnormally dry conditions sat at 72 percent of the State, up 3 percentage points from the previous week. Beaver County reports low irrigation supplies, and pastures were drying out due to lack of moisture. In Summit County, a fire was burning in the mountains east of Kamas, where a large number of livestock graze from late summer until now. Statewide, the fourth cutting of alfalfa hay was 35 percent complete. Statewide, winter wheat seeded for harvest next year was at 62 percent complete, with crop emergence at 29 percent complete. Corn dented and corn mature were at 90 percent complete and 60 percent complete, respectively. Statewide, corn silage harvest was 60 percent complete. Corn being harvested for grain had just started, and was at 9 percent complete by the end of the week. Statewide, producers continued moving cattle and sheep from summer pastures, with an estimated 37 percent of cattle and calves and 40 percent of sheep and lambs off of summer grazing by week's end. Cattle and sheep receiving supplement feed started early, at 31 percent complete and 22 percent, respectively.

Stock water supplies were reported as 1 percent very short, 3 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus, compared with 12 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 13 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were reported as 1 percent poor, 24 percent fair, 56 percent good, and 19 percent excellent, compared with 4 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 57 percent good, and 10 percent excellent last week.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
4 <sup>th</sup> cutting harvested .....	35	27	36	54
Corn				
Dented .....	90	84	80	76
Mature .....	60	48	58	47
Harvested for grain .....	9	5	15	NA
Harvested for silage .....	60	43	56	61
Winter Wheat				
Planted .....	62	45	83	62
Emerged .....	29	10	62	38
Cattle and calves				
Moved from pasture .....	37	27	49	54
Receiving supplemental feed .....	31	NA	24	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved from pasture .....	40	31	50	54
Receiving supplemental feed .....	22	NA	15	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 .....	6.3	7.0	6.2	6.3
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	5	3	1	13
Short .....	39	33	7	32
Adequate .....	38	47	79	51
Surplus .....	18	17	13	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	3	3	1	16
Short .....	31	22	5	27
Adequate .....	50	59	87	56
Surplus .....	16	16	7	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)
<b>Alfalfa hay</b>				
Very poor .....	1	--	3	NA
Poor .....	8	8	5	NA
Fair .....	20	19	31	NA
Good .....	47	56	42	NA
Excellent .....	24	17	19	NA
<b>Corn</b>				
Very poor .....	1	--	4	1
Poor .....	1	--	--	2
Fair .....	11	19	27	21
Good .....	75	71	48	62
Excellent .....	12	10	21	14
<b>Pasture and range</b>				
Very poor.....	1	--	--	7
Poor.....	7	1	2	20
Fair.....	38	47	16	30
Good.....	50	51	71	40
Excellent.....	4	1	11	3
<b>Cattle and calves</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	--	2	3
Fair.....	9	10	9	21
Good.....	82	82	70	65
Excellent.....	8	8	19	10
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	--	2	3
Fair.....	14	13	22	27
Good.....	78	80	52	57
Excellent.....	7	7	24	13

NA – not available

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