

UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2024

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cold temperatures along with snowstorms occurred throughout the State for the month of February, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture conditions rated adequate to surplus decreased from 97 percent last month to 83 percent. Cache County reported winter wheat suspectable to snow mold. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed were both at 89 percent complete. Beaver County report noted that livestock producers were dealing with no calving and lambing issues. Cows calved were 10 percent complete. Farm flock ewes lambed, and range flock ewes lambed were both at 5 percent complete. Snowpack in Utah, according to Natural Resources Conservation Service as of February 26, 2024, was 115 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 5 percent very short, 7 percent short, 70 percent adequate, and 18 percent surplus, compared with 1 percent very short, 3 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 22 percent surplus last report. Stock water supplies were rated 83 percent adequate, and 17 percent surplus, compared with 83 percent adequate, and 17 percent surplus last report.

Note: A monthly report will be released for March on March 25, 2024. The first weekly report will be released on Monday, April 1, 2024.

LIVESTOCK PROGRESS					
Commodity	Current report Previous report		Previous year	5-year average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Cattle and calves					
Cows calved	10	3	8	NA	
Receiving supplemental feed	89	84	87	NA	
Sheep and lambs					
Ewes lambed – farm flock	5	1	12	NA	
Ewes lambed – range flock	5	1		NA	
Receiving supplemental feed	89	72	84	NA	

NA – not available

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Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	5			NA
Short	12	3	1	NA
Adequate	74	82	77	NA
Surplus	9	15	22	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short				NA
Short	11	6	1	NA
Adequate	80	82	99	NA
Surplus	9	12		NA

NA - not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range	· · · /	,	,	, ,
Very poor			2	NA
Poor	18	7	10	NA
Fair	37	19	59	NA
Good	42	71	29	NA
Excellent	3	3		NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor				NA
Poor	8	11	6	NA
Fair	14	17	28	NA
Good	69	59	66	NA
Excellent	9	13		NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor				NA
Poor	7	1	8	NA
Fair	17	5	50	NA
Good	66	79	42	NA
Excellent	10	15		NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor				NA
Poor	11	1	6	NA
Fair	21	8	53	NA
Good	54	73	41	NA
Excellent	14	18		NA

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