

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 17, 2018

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of last week, 60 percent of durum wheat has been harvested compared with 58 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly good to excellent. Seventy-seven percent of barley has been harvested compared with 57 percent last year. Thirty percent of the cotton crop has reached the squaring stage compared with 51 percent last year. Cotton conditions were rated mostly fair to good. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week with harvesting taking place on two-thirds of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Last week, Central and Western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, mixed melons and watermelons. The most common varieties of mixed melons shipped in Western Arizona by growers were Casaba, Juan Canary, Hami, Santa Claus, Orange Flesh, and Galia. Also, some other districts growers shipped dry onions. In the Northeastern part of the State, although rains were received over the weekend, fires have been spreading rapidly due to drought. In the South Central part of the State, the first rain arrived since February, but dry conditions have not changed. For the week ending on June 17th, 23 of the 31 reporting weather stations reported some precipitation with Tucson reporting the highest at 1.08 inches and Page reporting the lowest at 0.02 inches. All but 4 of the 31 reporting weather stations reported above normal temperatures. The highest temperature during the week was 111 degrees at Bullhead City and Robson Ranch, and the lowest was 37 degrees at Grand Canyon.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Harvested	77	67	57	56
Cotton				
Squaring	30	20	51	44
Durum wheat				
Harvested	60	41	58	51

NA – not available

(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	6.7	7.0	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	1	4	15	NA
Short.....	14	10	10	NA
Adequate.....	82	81	75	NA
Surplus.....	3	5	--	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	4	14	NA
Short.....	16	10	10	NA
Adequate.....	81	81	76	NA
Surplus.....	3	5	--	NA

NA – not available

(--)- zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	3
Poor.....	3	3	1	2
Fair.....	23	23	14	15
Good.....	48	42	33	40
Excellent.....	26	32	52	40
Cotton				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	2	2	--	--
Fair.....	50	55	4	14
Good.....	41	37	82	59
Excellent.....	7	6	14	26
Durum wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	1
Fair.....	20	21	4	12
Good.....	41	32	80	58
Excellent.....	39	47	16	29
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	58	60	10	23
Poor.....	29	26	21	20
Fair.....	7	10	28	32
Good.....	6	4	31	22
Excellent.....	--	--	10	3

NA – not available

(--)- zero

Arizona's weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2018/AZ-Weather-06172018.pdf

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