

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 1, 2018

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By the end of last week, 85 percent of durum wheat has been harvested compared with 82 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Eighty-nine percent of barley has been harvested compared with 86 percent last year. Seventy percent of the cotton crop has reached the squaring stage compared with 73 percent last year, and 22 percent has reached the setting bolls stage compared with 29 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 almost three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Last week, Central and Western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, mixed melons and watermelons. In the Northeastern and South Central part of the State, range conditions continue to decline. Producers are having to constantly supplement feed and haul water. In the North Central part of the State, range conditions are very poor, free water is non-existent, soil moisture is gone, and dry weather has been affecting forage growth. In the Northwestern part of the State, there were more reports of producers liquidating their herds due to lack of forage and water. In the Southeastern part of the State, ranchers are selling off their older livestock and hauling water. For the week ending on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 7 of the 48 reporting weather stations reported some precipitation, with Bonita reporting the least at 0.02 inches while Bisbee reported the most at 0.25 inches. All but 19 of the 48 reporting weather stations reported above normal temperatures. The highest temperature during the week was 114 degrees at Roll, and the lowest was 41 degrees at Grand Canyon.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Harvested .....	89	82	86	81
Cotton				
Squaring .....	70	45	73	73
Setting Bolls .....	22	10	29	24
Durum wheat				
Harvested .....	85	75	82	NA

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.....	7.0	7.0	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	5	4	3	NA
Short.....	13	18	13	NA
Adequate.....	80	76	84	NA
Surplus.....	2	2	--	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	4	4	3	NA
Short.....	12	17	13	NA
Adequate.....	82	77	84	NA
Surplus.....	2	2	--	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.....	5	6	3	2
Fair.....	16	24	17	16
Good.....	46	40	46	45
Excellent.....	33	30	34	34
Cotton				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	3	6	2	--
Fair.....	47	41	11	12
Good.....	43	43	72	56
Excellent.....	7	10	15	31
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	64	63	12	26
Poor.....	24	27	22	19
Fair.....	9	7	24	31
Good.....	3	3	29	21
Excellent.....	--	--	13	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-07012018.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2018/AZ-Weather-07012018.pdf)

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