

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 12, 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, 50 percent of the cotton crop was the setting bolls, compared with 30 percent last year and 3 percent reached the bolls opening stage compared with 2 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Cotton conditions were rated mostly good to excellent. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly excellent to good, depending on location last week with harvesting taking place on more than three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the state. Statewide, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly fair to poor. In Arizona, no exceptional drought was reported, but some severe and extreme drought was reported in the northeastern part of the state affecting hay conditions. Some abnormal drought was reported in the south central part of the state. In the northwestern part of the state, temperatures increased drastically and in some areas climbed above 115 degrees Fahrenheit. Dry winds increased moisture depletion in this area and in the north central part of the state. In the central and eastern part of the state, precipitation increased by the end of the week. Around 1.0 inch of precipitation was reported in some areas.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cotton				
Setting bolls	50	34	30	39
Bolls opening	3	--	2	2

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	6.9
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	13	7	2	2
Short	15	13	17	15
Adequate	72	80	81	80
Surplus	--	--	--	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	14	7	5	5
Short	11	15	16	12
Adequate	75	78	73	80
Surplus	--	--	6	3

NA – not available
 (--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	--	--	--	2
Poor.....	--	--	4	3
Fair.....	9	8	13	17
Good	36	34	63	45
Excellent	55	58	20	33
Cotton				
Very poor	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	--	--	4	1
Fair.....	7	7	19	24
Good	57	58	67	54
Excellent	36	35	10	20
Pasture and range				
Very poor	4	4	5	25
Poor.....	27	27	16	18
Fair.....	48	40	41	31
Good	21	29	37	24
Excellent	--	--	1	2

NA – not available

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