

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 4, 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, 50 percent of the cotton acreage had been defoliated compared with 35 percent last year, and 19 percent had been harvested compared with 16 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 good to excellent, 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. Extreme to severe dryness and high temperatures have affected forage growth in the entire state, but some improvement was observed in the southeastern area of the state due to precipitation.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cotton				
Defoliated	50	40	35	37
Harvested	19	16	16	20

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	6.7
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	16	22	--	--
Short.....	13	10	21	16
Adequate	71	68	79	80
Surplus	--	--	--	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	16	24	--	3
Short.....	12	7	20	13
Adequate	72	69	80	81
Surplus	--	--	--	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.....	--	--	6	2
Fair.....	15	22	15	18
Good	43	43	56	48
Excellent	42	35	23	30
Cotton				
Very poor	--	--	--	3
Poor.....	--	--	9	5
Fair.....	4	2	30	20
Good	65	72	50	51
Excellent	31	26	11	21
Pasture and range				
Very poor	14	23	13	14
Poor.....	26	30	40	21
Fair.....	42	34	29	30
Good	18	9	18	29
Excellent	--	4	--	6

NA – not available

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