

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 1, 2020

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By the end of the week, 88 percent of the cotton acreage had been defoliated compared with 87 percent last year, and 42 percent had been harvested compared with 37 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 poor to very poor. Extreme to severe dryness has affected forage growth in the entire state and exceptional dryness with some freezing temperatures have been affecting soil moisture conditions in the southern part of the state. In the southeastern and northwestern part of the state, very short soil moisture conditions and extreme dryness have caused ranchers to haul water, sell livestock, or remove cattle from their land earlier this season.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton				
Defoliated .....	88	82	87	72
Harvested .....	42	35	37	40

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	6.7	6.9
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	14	21	3	1
Short.....	14	15	24	17
Adequate .....	72	64	73	78
Surplus .....	--	--	--	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	14	21	3	4
Short.....	15	15	23	14
Adequate .....	71	64	74	80
Surplus .....	--	--	--	2

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.....	--	--	5	2
Fair.....	15	6	20	19
Good .....	36	36	55	47
Excellent .....	49	58	20	30
Cotton				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	3
Poor.....	--	--	9	7
Fair.....	4	6	25	22
Good .....	50	41	54	48
Excellent .....	46	53	12	20
Pasture and range				
Very poor .....	32	23	40	17
Poor.....	38	35	42	22
Fair.....	27	36	11	32
Good .....	3	6	7	26
Excellent .....	--	--	--	3

NA – not available

(--) – zero