ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MARCH 7, 2021(Revised)

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, 99 percent of Durum wheat has been planted compared with 89 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Seventy-five percent has emerged compared with 83 percent last year, and 12 percent has headed compared with 10 percent last year. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly good. Eighty-seven percent of barley has emerged compared with 78 percent last year, and 27 percent has headed compared with 23 percent last year. Barley conditions were rated mostly good to fair. Two percent of cotton has been planted compared with 1 percent last week. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly excellent to good depending on location last week, with harvesting taking place on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the state. For the entire state, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly very poor to poor. Severe to exceptional dryness in the entire state, combined with wind damage reported in the northwestern and north central part of the state, continue to affect pasture and range conditions, forage growth, and soil moisture. The central part of the state received the most precipitation last week while the southwestern part of the state recorded the highest temperatures.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Barley						
Emerged	87	75	78	79		
Headed	27	15	23	NA		
Cotton						
Planted	*2	1	5	5		
Durum wheat						
Planted	99	85	89	NA		
Emerged	75	62	83	81		

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Headed NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

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	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	2	2		1
Short	27	25	5	14
Adequate	71	73	95	78
Surplus				7
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	3	3		6
Short	17	13	5	8
Adequate	80	84	95	81
Surplus				5

NA - not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay	•		•	
Very poor				1
Poor	1	1		1
Fair	10	13	15	19
Good	32	36	50	57
Excellent	57	50	35	22
Barley				
Very poor				
Poor			9	2
Fair	22	13	15	21
Good	70	75	49	60
Excellent	8	12	27	17
Durum wheat				
Very poor				
Poor				1
Fair	3	4	2	7
Good	93	91	50	66
Excellent	4	5	48	26
Pasture and range				
Very poor	72	75	1	10
Poor	16	14	22	19
Fair	6	5	58	37
Good	6	6	19	29
Excellent				5

NA – not available

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