

## **ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS**

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 18, 2021

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By the end of the week, 86 percent of the Durum wheat was headed compared with 88 percent last year, and 12 percent has matured, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly excellent to good. Ninety percent of barley has headed compared with 94 percent last year, and 28 percent has matured. Barley conditions were rated mostly good to excellent. Forty-three percent of cotton has been planted compared with 44 percent last year, and 15 percent has emerged compared with 22 percent last year. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly excellent to good depending on location last week, with harvesting taking place on over eighty percent of the alfalfa acreage across the state. For the entire state, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly very poor to poor. Moderate to exceptional dryness in the entire state continues to affect pasture and range conditions, forage growth, stream water, and stock tanks. The southwestern and south central part of the state reported some forage improvements, and they also recorded the highest temperatures during the week while the north central part of the state recorded the lowest. The northeastern part of the state received the most precipitation last week, but not enough to improve forage conditions.

## CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley	-		-	
Headed	90	77	94	70
Mature	28	18	NA	NA
Cotton				
Planted	43	34	44	42
Emerged	15	8	22	NA
Durum wheat				
Headed	86	65	88	64
Mature	12	5	NA	NA

NA - not available

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## 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	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	2		3	2
Short	9	18	16	15
Adequate	89	82	81	76
Surplus				7
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	2		3	7
Short	9	5	17	9
Adequate	89	95	80	79
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	2	
Fair	7	14	12	20	
Good	32	34	41	47	
Excellent	60	51	46	30	
Barley					
Very poor				1	
Poor				2	
Fair	22	16	18	20	
Good	50	56	68	56	
Excellent	28	28	14	21	
Durum wheat					
Very poor					
Poor					
Fair	2	3	2	6	
Good	38	45	32	56	
Excellent	60	52	66	38	
Pasture and range					
Very poor	72	81	1	12	
Poor	15	10	11	18	
Fair	6	3	40	29	
Good	7	6	41	36	
Excellent			7	5	

NA - not available

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