ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 1, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, 92 percent of the cotton crop has reached the setting bolls stage compared to 94 percent last year and 22 percent has reached the bolls opening stage compared to 17 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 fair 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 fair. Exceptional drought covers only 9 percent of the state compared to 36 percent last week, according to the United States Drought Monitor, and continues to affect pasture and range conditions and forage growth. In the north central and northwestern part of the state, monsoon rains have been filling stock tanks and bringing some forage growth and soil moisture improvement. In the south central and southeastern part of the state, monsoon rains have helped improve crop and forage growth conditions.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
G. #	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Cotton Setting Bolls	92	84	94	82		
Bolls Opening	22	15	17	14		

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	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9		
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short			13	3		
Short		2	6	13		
Adequate	76	80	80	82		
Surplus	24	18	1	2		
Subsoil moisture						
Very short			14	6		
Short		1	6	11		
Adequate	79	82	80	82		
Surplus	21	17		1		

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				2
Poor	12	9		7
Fair	22	17	19	20
Good	19	22	39	43
Excellent	47	52	42	28
Cotton				
Very poor	1	1		1
Poor	5	5		3
Fair	14	14	5	22
Good	49	51	66	53
Excellent	31	29	29	21
Pasture and range				
Very poor	60	69	12	24
Poor	13	13	18	18
Fair	14	9	39	30
Good	3	3	23	24
Excellent	10	6	8	4

NA – not available

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