

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2021

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Ninety percent of the cotton crop had been defoliated compared to 87 percent last year, and 45 percent had been harvested compared with 41 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Eighty-one percent of the cotton crop was rated good to excellent. Ninety percent of the alfalfa crop was rated excellent to good depending on location last week, with harvesting taking place on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the state. Ninety-one percent of the pasture and range was rated good to fair. According to the United States Drought Monitor as of October 26, 2021, severe to exceptional drought covers 34.08 percent of the state. Rainfall was reported in the north central part of the state. Lower temperatures were concentrated in the north central and northeastern part of the state.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

| Commodity        | Current week<br>(percent) | Previous week<br>(percent) | Previous year<br>(percent) | 5-year average<br>(percent) |
|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Cotton           |                           |                            |                            |                             |
| Defoliated ..... | 90                        | 82                         | 87                         | 77                          |
| Harvested .....  | 45                        | 37                         | 41                         | 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           | 7.0           | 6.9            |
| Topsoil moisture                  | (percent)    | (percent)     | (percent)     | (percent)      |
| Very short.....                   | --           | --            | 14            | 4              |
| Short.....                        | 7            | 2             | 14            | 18             |
| Adequate .....                    | 93           | 98            | 72            | 77             |
| Surplus .....                     | --           | --            | --            | 1              |
| Subsoil moisture                  |              |               |               |                |
| Very short.....                   | --           | --            | 14            | 7              |
| Short.....                        | 4            | 1             | 15            | 15             |
| Adequate .....                    | 96           | 99            | 71            | 77             |
| Surplus .....                     | --           | --            | --            | 1              |

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**CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION**

| Commodity         | Current week<br>(percent) | Previous week<br>(percent) | Previous year<br>(percent) | 5-year average<br>(percent) |
|-------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Alfalfa hay       |                           |                            |                            |                             |
| Very poor .....   | --                        | --                         | --                         | 1                           |
| Poor.....         | 1                         | 1                          | --                         | 2                           |
| Fair.....         | 9                         | 11                         | 15                         | 19                          |
| Good .....        | 33                        | 35                         | 36                         | 45                          |
| Excellent .....   | 57                        | 53                         | 49                         | 33                          |
| Cotton            |                           |                            |                            |                             |
| Very poor .....   | --                        | 4                          | --                         | 2                           |
| Poor.....         | 4                         | 6                          | --                         | 5                           |
| Fair.....         | 15                        | 20                         | 4                          | 19                          |
| Good .....        | 52                        | 43                         | 50                         | 51                          |
| Excellent .....   | 29                        | 27                         | 46                         | 23                          |
| Pasture and range |                           |                            |                            |                             |
| Very poor .....   | --                        | --                         | 32                         | 21                          |
| Poor.....         | 8                         | 5                          | 38                         | 29                          |
| Fair.....         | 43                        | 34                         | 27                         | 30                          |
| Good .....        | 48                        | 54                         | 3                          | 18                          |
| Excellent .....   | 1                         | 7                          | --                         | 2                           |

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