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WEEK ENDING: October 25, 2020 RELEASED: October 26, 2020

WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from the low 60s to low 80s in the mountains, high 60s to mid 90s along the coast, high 60s to mid 90s in the valley, and high 60s to low 100s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from the mid 10s to low 40s in the mountains, high 30s to mid 50s along the coast, mid 30s to mid 60s in the desert, and low 40s to mid 60s in the valley.

FIELD CROPS

Cooler weather aided in suppressing the wildfires and an improvement in air quality was seen. In Tulare County, harvested fields were being disked and prepared for winter silage or other forage crops. Silage **corn** was mostly harvested. **Alfalfa** continued to be irrigated, cut, dried, and baled. Dry **beans** were harvested. **Cotton** was being defoliated and harvested. Sudan **grass** was being cut, dried and baled. In the Sacramento Valley, fall ground work continued and was winding down. **Rice** harvest continued and is expected to be completed around the end of the month. Corn and **sunflower** harvests were ongoing.

FRUIT CROPS

Stone fruit harvest was close to completion. **Persimmon** harvest was underway. **Pomegranate**, Asian **pear**, late **peach** varieties, **kiwi**, and table **grape** harvests were ongoing. Navel **oranges** continued to mature. Valencia orange harvest was nearly complete. **Olive**, **lemon**, **lime**, **quince**, and **grapefruit** harvests continued.

NUT CROPS

Almond harvest season was rapidly coming to a close in many areas throughout the state. **Walnuts** and **pistachio** harvests were nearly complete.

VEGETABLE CROPS

In Sacramento, Solano, and Yolo counties, processing **tomato** harvest was winding down. Fall groundwork continued. **Melons** were picked. **Eggplants**, **peppers**, **sweet corn**, and fresh tomatoes continued to mature and were harvested. Fall vegetables were picked for farmers' markets. **Pumpkins** were harvested. **Garlic** was planted.

LIVESTOCK

Irrigated pasture was in good condition. Foothill rangeland and non-irrigated pasture was in poor condition. Sheep grazed on retired cropland and harvested grain fields. Cattle were moved down from higher elevation range in preparation for winter. Cattle supplemental feeding was ongoing. Bees continued to be moved into the state for overwintering.

CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER - WEEK ENDING 10/25/2020											
	TEM PERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	S PRECIPITATION 1/			
STATIONS	Average Week Ending 10/25/2020	Departure from Normal 2/	High	Low	This Year	Normal Year 2/	This Season	This Week	This Season	Normal Season 2/	Normal Year 2/
					January 1- 10/25/2020	January 1- 10/25/2020	October 1- 10/25/2020	Week Ending 10/25/2020	Oct 1- 10/25/2020	Oct 1- 10/25/2020	Oct 1- Sept 30
	Degrees Fahrenheit			Number		Days 3/	Inches of Precipitation				
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	53	-1	69	39	107	0	4	0.01	0.39	1.55	40.53
Ukiah	65	6	94	43	2296	1492	0	0.00	0.00	1.26	37.61
Santa Rosa	63	4	91	43	1544	957	0	0.00	0.00	1.39	36.51
Napa State Hospital	63	6	87	44	1425	698	0	0.00	0.00	0.69	20.52
Central Coast											
San Francisco	64	3	81	52	1111	587	0	0.00	0.00	0.65	20.79
San Jose	67	4	87	53	2030	1534	0	0.00	0.00	0.58	15.02
Salinas	64	4	80	50	1153	515	0	0.00	0.00	0.41	12.91
Monterey	60	2	71	48	999	148	0	0.00	0.00	0.62	16.23
Paso Robles	65	5	95	45	2283	1623	0	0.00	0.00	0.43	12.87
Sacramento Valley											
Redding	68	7	94	43	3432	2642	0	0.00	0.00	1.47	34.80
Red Bluff	68	6	96	45	3509	2661	0	0.00	0.00	0.83	24.63
Willows	68	4	95	44	3199	2396	0	0.00	0.00	0.92	23.67
Oroville	67	5	90	48	3420	2452	0	0.00	0.00	1.14	31.72
Marysville	65	3	90	45	2910	2205	0	0.00	0.00	0.98	22.88
Sacramento	66	5	89	45	2774	2053	0	0.00	0.00	0.60	21.35
San Joaquin Valley		· ·		.0		2000		0.00	0.00	0.00	2
Stockton	68	6	92	50	3104	2166	0	0.00	0.00	0.56	14.14
Modesto	67	3	89	50	3154	2622	0	0.00	0.00	0.48	13.19
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M adera	66	4	90	45	2912	2387	0	0.00	0.00	0.53	12.10
Fresno	70	6	91	53	3834	3049	0	0.00	0.00	0.44	11.57
Lemoore	68	6	93	50	3235	2408	0	0.00	0.00	0.37	7.95
Visalia	69	6	89	48	3385	2665	0	0.00	0.00	0.42	10.99
Bakersfield	66	1	90	1	3913	3181	0	0.00	0.00	0.20	6.51
Cascade Sierra	00		30		33.6	3.01	Ü	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.01
Alturas	43	-2	74	18	743	401	1	0.00	0.14	0.72	14.22
Mount Shasta	51	2	74	25	1160	585	1	0.00	0.01	1.55	43.48
Blue Canyon	60	7	75	34	1485	800	0	0.00	0.00	2.71	65.00
Yosemite Valley	60	6	83	38	2068	1260	0	0.00	0.00	1.47	36.97
South Coast	00	O	03	30	2000	200		0.00	0.00	1.47	30.37
Santa Maria	62	2	70	52	1038	423	0	0.00	0.00	0.40	14.05
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Santa Barbara Oxnard	64 65	3	71	5 4 58	1169 1084	764	0	0.00	0.00	0.56	14.71
Riverside	68	3 1	70 85	58	3363	2685	0	0.00	0.00	0.54	12.50
Los Angeles	67	2	85 74	58 62	2006	2685 1346	0	0.00	0.00	0.40	12.92
San Diego	71	5	74 77	64	2388	1628	1	0.00	0.00	0.40	10.42
Southeast Interior	''	υ	11	04	۷۵۵۵	IUZ0	'	∪. ⊭	U. IZ	U. 4 ∠	₩.4∠
Bishop	58	3	85	37	2488	1761	0	0.00	0.00	0.23	5.21
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Daggett	73 66	<i>7</i> 5	94 95	57 44	3158	2689	0	0.00	0.00		4.08 7.43
Lancaster	66 76									0.32	
Thermal Blythe	76 78	5 6	100 99	56 59	5728 6036	4805 5378	0	0.00	0.00 0.00	0.19 0.14	3.22 3.85
Imperial	78 79	7	100	59 64	5715	5378 5113	0	0.00	0.00	0.4	3.46
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^{1/} Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice).

Data retrieved from NOAA and NWS, and calculated by USDA NASS

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 $^{2/\,\}mbox{Normal}$ periods 1980-2010 used in departure from normal calculations.

^{3/} Total number of days with precipitation events this season.