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# California Crop Weather



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#### **WEATHER**

Temperature highs ranged from the mid 40s to mid 60s in the mountains, low 50s to mid 80s in the valley, mid 50s to high 80s in the desert, and mid 50s to low 90s along the coast. Temperature lows ranged from the low 10s to high 30s in the mountains, low 30s to low 50s along the coast, high 20s to mid 50s in the valley, and high 10s to mid 60s in the desert.

#### **FIELD CROPS**

In Tulare County, harvested fields were being disked and prepared for winter silage or other forage crops. Silage **corn** was mostly harvested. **Alfalfa** was being green chopped. **Cotton** was being harvested and fields disked to comply with the Cotton Plowdown Regulations. Sudan **grass** was being cut, dried, and baled. In the Sacramento Valley, winter **wheat** crop planting was completed. Newly planted alfalfa crop was being irrigated to aid seed germination. Corn and **sunflower** harvests continued.

### **FRUIT CROPS**

Some orchards were pushed out in preparation for replanting. **Persimmons** continued to be harvested. **Kiwifruit** and **pomegranates** harvests were coming to a close. **Grape** harvests continued to progress. Late season grape varieties remained covered to protect from incoming seasonal rains. Some raisin vineyards were removed in preparation for nut orchards. Navel **oranges** continued to mature with harvest underway. **Tangerine**, **lemon**, **lime**, and pineapple **quince** harvests continued. **Olives** continued to be picked and processed.

# **NUT CROPS**

Some orchards were pulled and prepared for new plantings. **Pecan**, and **pistachio** harvests continued where possible. **Walnut** harvest was wrapping up.

## **VEGETABLE CROPS**

Fall groundwork continued. **Melons** were picked. In Tulare County, **eggplants**, **peppers**, **sweet corn**, and fresh tomatoes continued to mature and were harvested. Fall vegetables were picked for farmers' markets. **Kale**, **lettuce**, and **broccoli** began to sprout and were irrigated. **Garlic** and **onions** were planted. **Strawberry** fields were being prepared for next year's crop.

#### **LIVESTOCK**

Recent rains in the North State helped improve non-irrigated pasture conditions. Irrigated pasture was in good condition. Sheep grazed on retired cropland and harvested grain fields. Cattle supplemental feeding continued. Some hives were moved into the state for overwintering and in anticipation of the 2021 almond bloom. Due to limited blooming plants and forage, some bees were provided beebread and water.

CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER - WEEK ENDING 11/22/2020											
	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
STATIONS	Average Week Ending 1/22/2020	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- 11/22/2020	January 1- 11/22/2020	October 1- 11/22/2020	Week Ending 11/22/2020	Oct 1- 11/22/2020	Oct 1- 11/22/2020	Oct 1- Sept 30
	Degrees Fahrenheit			Number		Days 3/	Inches of Precipitation				
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	50	0	70	31	109	0	14	1.57	2.65	6.03	40.53
Ukiah	51	1	69	31	2331	1492	6	0.76	1.27	5.10	37.61
Santa Rosa	51	0	71	31	1571	957	4	1.11	1.44	5.31	36.51
Napa State Hospital	51	1	73	31	1444	698	3	0.59	0.62	2.79	20.52
Central Coast											
San Francisco	56	1	69	44	1151	589	4	0.27	0.31	2.56	20.79
San Jose	55	-1	74	37	2068	1549	5	0.07	0.12	2.15	15.02
Salinas	59	4	84	37	1209	515	5	0.07	0.37	1.53	12.91
Monterey	57	3	78	40	1024	148	5	0.19	0.46	2.30	16.23
Paso Robles	54	3	81	33	2312	1623	3	0.02	0.28	1.35	12.87
Sacramento Valley											
Redding	54	4	72	35	3468	2642	5	1.02	1.50	5.09	34.80
Red Bluff	52	1	72	34	3555	2663	4	0.74	0.80	3.24	24.63
Willows	50	-3	63	37	3267	2406	0	0.00	0.00	3.21	23.67
Oroville	54	2	69	36	3461	2455	4	0.47	0.81	5.15	31.72
Marysville	52	2	69	31	2921	2206	5	0.48	0.70	3.83	22.88
Sacramento	52	1	68	32	2787	2053	3	0.60	0.66	2.93	21.35
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	54	2	71	34	3125	2167	2	0.09	0.09	2.03	14.14
Modesto	51	-3	68	32	3166	2635	2	0.10	0.10	1.63	13.19
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M adera	53	2	76	34	2924	2389	2	0.10	0.16	1.78	12.10
Fresno	56	3	77	41	3883	3060	3	0.17	0.28	1.40	11.57
Lemoore	53	2	80	27	3252	2409	2	0.00	0.28	0.90	7.95
Visalia	57	5	78	39	3441	2672	4	0.05	0.32	1.50	10.99
Bakersfield	57	3	87	41	3983	3199	2	0.00	0.39	0.75	6.51
Cascade Sierra	0.	Ü	0.	•		0.00	_	0.00	0.00	00	0.01
Alturas	37	2	65	12	743	401	7	0.22	0.74	2.35	14.22
Mount Shasta	39	0	61	23	1160	585	8	0.89	1.63	5.79	43.48
Blue Canyon	46	3	67	32	1518	800	7	3.47	5.84	9.77	65.00
Yosemite Valley	48	5	64	35	2075	1260	6	0.82	2.07	5.27	36.97
South Coast		-								-	
Santa Maria	59	4	86	41	1081	423	3	0.01	0.25	1.54	14.05
Santa Barbara	57	1	85	40	1191	701	1	0.00	0.05	1.94	17.89
Oxnard	58	0	90	43	1117	775	1	0.00	0.06	1.86	14.71
Riverside	65	6	93	46	3524	2764	2	0.00	0.16	0.99	12.50
Los Angeles	62	2	91	50	2101	1427	1	0.00	0.10	1.30	12.92
San Diego	64	3	90	52	2520	1720	3	0.00	0.38	1.25	10.42
Southeast Interior		J	00	02	2020	20		0.00	0.00	<u></u>	10.72
Bishop	50	6	82	20	2493	1761	0	0.00	0.00	0.67	5.21
Daggett	59	5	80	39	4724	3982	1	0.00	0.00	0.39	4.08
Lancaster	5 <del>9</del>	4	77	28	3172	2689	2	0.00	0.03	0.39	7.43
Thermal	66	7	89	43	5912	4927	0	0.00	0.00	0.38	3.22
Blythe	67	7	88	48	6224	5531	0	0.00	0.00	0.31	3.85
Imperial	68	7	87	49	5917	5278	0	0.00	0.00	0.45	3.46

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{ extstyle 1}\xspace \ensuremath{ extstyle P}\xspace \ensuremath{ extstyle recipitation}$  (rain or melted snow/ice).

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

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

 $<sup>3/\,\</sup>text{Total}$  number of days with precipitation events this season.