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California Crop Weather



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WEEK ENDING: November 29, 2020 RELEASED: November 30, 2020

FREQUENCY: Weekly VOL. 41 NO. 22

WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from the mid 40s to mid 50s in the mountains, high 40s to low 70s in the valley, mid 50s to high 70s along the coast, and low 50s to low 80s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from the low 10s to high 30s in the mountains, high 10s to low 50s in the desert, mid 20s to low 50s along the coast, and mid 20s to high 50s in the valley.

FIELD CROPS

In Tulare County, fields were being disked and planted with other forage crops. Winter grain and silage crops such as **wheat**, **oats** and **barley** were being planted. Wheat fields had up to 6 inches of growth. Silage **corn** was mostly harvested. **Alfalfa** was being cut and baled. **Cotton** plowdown had finished. Sudan **grass** was being cut, dried, and baled. In the Sacramento Valley, winter wheat planting was completed. Newly planted alfalfa was irrigated to keep new crop growing. Harvested rice fields were being flooded for decomposition.

FRUIT CROPS

Persimmons continued to be harvested. **Kiwifruit** and **pomegranates** harvests were coming to a close. Table **grape** harvest was almost completed. Wine grapes were being harvested. Grape vineyards that have been picked were being pruned for next year's crop. 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

Pecan and **pistachio** harvests continued to progress. Late variety **Walnut** harvest was wrapping up. Nut trees were pruned for next year's crop.

VEGETABLE CROPS

In Sacramento, Solano, and Yolo counties, fall groundwork continued. **Melons** were picked. In Tulare County, fall vegetables were being picked for local Farmer's Markets. **Garlic** and **onions** were planted. **Kale**, **lettuce**, and **broccoli** have sprouted and were irrigated. Winter vegetable fields were prepared for next year's crop.

LIVESTOCK

Non-irrigated pasture and rangeland was in fair to good condition. Irrigated pasture was in good to excellent condition. Sheep grazed on retired cropland and harvested grain fields. Cattle supplemental feeding was ongoing. Bee hives were moved into the state for overwintering and in anticipation of the 2021 almond bloom.

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STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS PRECIPITATION 1/				
	Average Week Ending 11/29/2020	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- 11/29/2020	January 1- 11/29/2020	October 1- 11/29/2020	Week Ending 11/29/2020	Oct 1- 11/29/2020	Oct 1- 11/29/2020	Oct 1- Sept 30
	Degrees Fahrenheit			Number		Days 3/	Inches of Precipitation				
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	44	-5	57	32	109	0	16	0.28	2.93	7.61	40.53
Ukiah	48	0	65	30	2331	1492	6	0.00	1.27	6.22	37.61
Santa Rosa	50	1	67	29	1571	957	4	0.00	1.44	6.52	36.51
Napa State Hospital	50	1	68	30	1444	698	3	0.00	0.62	3.42	20.52
Central Coast											
San Francisco	53	0	64	41	1151	589	4	0.00	0.31	3.23	20.79
San Jose	52	-2	68	34	2068	1549	6	0.01	0.13	2.58	15.02
Salinas	54	1	73	37	1209	515	5	0.00	0.37	1.92	12.91
Monterey	52	-1	68	39	1024	148	5	0.00	0.46	2.73	16.23
Paso Robles	48	-1	70	25	2312	1623	3	0.00	0.28	1.61	12.87
Sacramento Valley		•	. •		20.2	1020		0.00	0.20		2.0.
Redding	51	3	70	31	3468	2642	5	0.00	1.50	6.37	34.80
Red Bluff	53	4	69	33	3555	2663	4	0.00	0.80	3.95	24.63
Willows	50	-1	61	40	3267	2406	0	0.00	0.00	4.00	23.67
Oro ville	51	1	63	36	3461	2455	4	0.00	0.81	6.11	31.72
Marysville	49	1	64	31	2921	2206	5	0.00	0.70	4.55	22.88
Sacramento	50	1	65	33	2787	2053	3	0.00	0.66	3.53	21.35
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	50	1	67	30	3125	2167	2	0.00	0.09	2.45	14.14
Modesto	48	-4	64	29	3166	2635	2	0.00	0.10	1.99	13.19
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M adera	48	-1	66	29	2924	2389	2	0.00	0.16	1.99	12.10
Fresno	51	1	65	35	3883	3060	3	0.00	0.28	1.66	11.57
Lemoore	48	0	66	27	3252	2409	2	0.00	0.28	1.05	7.95
Visalia	49	-1	66	30	3441	2672	4	0.00	0.32	1.80	10.99
Bakersfield	52	1	65	36	3983	3199	2	0.00	0.39	0.92	6.51
Cascade Sierra											
Alturas	33	0	56	11	743	401	8	0.05	0.79	2.74	14.22
Mount Shasta	38	0	55	22	1160	585	9	0.11	1.74	7.15	43.48
Blue Canyon	43	3	56	29	1518	800	7	0.00	5.84	11.94	65.00
Yosemite Valley	48	7	57	39	2075	1260	6	0.00	2.07	6.51	36.97
South Coast											
Santa Maria	54	0	73	36	1081	423	3	0.00	0.25	1.88	14.05
Santa Barbara	54	0	71	43	1191	701	1	0.00	0.05	2.31	17.89
Oxnard	56	0	73	44	1117	775	1	0.00	0.06	2.14	14.71
Riverside	58	1	78	41	3525	2764	2	0.00	0.16	1.24	12.50
Los Angeles	58	-1	73	48	2103	1427	1	0.00	0.10	1.62	12.92
San Diego	59	0	73	44	2524	1720	3	0.00	0.38	1.54	10.42
Southeast Interior											
Bishop	42	1	64	18	2493	1761	0	0.00	0.00	0.80	5.21
Daggett	50	-1	71	29	4724	3982	1	0.00	0.03	0.50	4.08
Lancaster	46	-1	65	20	3172	2689	2	0.00	0.13	0.96	7.43
Thermal	58	1	80	35	5916	4927	0	0.00	0.00	0.45	3.22
Blythe	58	0	78	39	6229	5531	0	0.00	0.00	0.41	3.85
Imperial	59	1	83	39	5927	5278	0	0.00	0.00	0.52	3.46

^{1/} Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice).

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

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