

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 19, 2015

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Alfalfa conditions were fair to excellent, depending on location. Harvesting occurred on over three-fourths of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Barley conditions were mostly fair to good and Durum Wheat conditions were mostly good. Winter Wheat conditions ranged from very poor to excellent throughout the State. Rangeland conditions varied widely from very poor to good, depending on location. Central Arizona growers had potato movement last week. Western Arizona growers shipped broccoli, red and green cabbage, cauliflower, kale greens, various lettuce including Boston, iceberg, romaine, green and red leaf lettuce, parsley, spinach, and Swiss chard last week.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Headed .....	26	NA	83	87
Cotton				
Planted.....	61	35	52	43
Emerged .....	3	NA	--	--
Durum Wheat				
Headed .....	41	NA	68	52
Winter wheat				
Emerged .....	50	45	70	70

### PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Pasture and Range				
Very poor .....	11	11	18	20
Poor .....	10	10	35	22
Fair .....	35	35	35	31
Good.....	40	40	12	21
Excellent.....	4	4	0	6

**DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION**

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Days suitable for fieldwork .....	7.0	7.0	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture				
Very short.....	2	2	3	NA
Short.....	20	21	36	NA
Adequate .....	71	70	61	NA
Surplus .....	7	7	--	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	9	NA
Short.....	17	17	34	NA
Adequate .....	81	81	57	NA
Surplus .....	2	2	--	NA

NA – not available

(--)- Zero

**CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION**

Commodity	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay.....	5	1	12	39	43
Barley .....	0	3	54	36	7
Durum wheat.....	--	1	7	77	15
Winter wheat.....	10	20	26	24	20

(--)- Zero

Arizona’s weather data can be accessed at the following:

[http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics by State/Arizona/Publications/Crop Progress & Condition/2015/AZ Weather 04192015.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2015/AZ_Weather_04192015.pdf)