

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 31, 2015

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Alfalfa conditions were mostly good to excellent, depending on location. Harvesting occurred on just over three-quarters 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 fair to good, depending on location. Central Arizona growers had cantaloupes, honeydews, onion, and potato movement last week. Western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, and watermelons last week. Forty two of the fifty reporting weather stations have year to date precipitation greater than 80 percent of normal.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Mature	30	25	NA	NA
Harvested.....	20	10	9	22
Cotton				
Emerged.....	76	70	5	NA
Squaring.....	15	12	7	12
Durum wheat				
Mature	35	25	NA	NA
Harvested.....	15	5	11	10
Winter wheat				
Headed.....	96	92	85	82
Mature	10	5	NA	NA
Harvested.....	10	5	4	5

NA - not available
 (--) - zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	7.0	7.0	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	1	1	2	NA
Short.....	13	21	36	NA
Adequate	78	70	62	NA
Surplus	8	8	--	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	9	NA
Short.....	10	18	34	NA
Adequate	85	77	57	NA
Surplus	5	5	--	NA

NA - not available
 (--) - zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
Very poor.....	5	5	6	1
Poor	1	1	4	2
Fair	6	9	22	17
Good.....	30	35	37	45
Excellent.....	58	50	31	35
Barley				
Very poor.....	1	--	1	NA
Poor	3	3	--	NA
Fair	45	48	29	NA
Good.....	35	33	57	NA
Excellent.....	16	16	13	NA
Cotton				
Very poor.....	3	3	--	NA
Poor	1	2	--	NA
Fair	21	30	29	NA
Good.....	70	65	36	NA
Excellent.....	5	--	35	NA
Durum wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor	1	1	1	NA
Fair	7	9	14	NA
Good.....	70	74	46	NA
Excellent.....	22	16	39	NA
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	9	11	25	30
Poor	9	10	30	26
Fair	38	35	29	23
Good.....	42	42	16	14
Excellent.....	2	2	--	7
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	10	10	9	NA
Poor	15	19	--	NA
Fair	20	24	13	NA
Good.....	25	21	44	NA
Excellent.....	30	26	34	NA

NA – not available

(--) – 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_05312015.pdf