

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 16, 2015

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Alfalfa conditions were mostly good to excellent, depending on location. Harvesting occurred on almost three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Rangeland conditions varied widely, depending on location. Central Arizona growers had no produce movement last week. Western Arizona growers shipped mixed and miscellaneous melons last week. Monsoon season has been sporadic in some areas of the State with some areas receiving much precipitation and others none. There were thirty one weather stations reporting less than 0.50 inches of precipitation last week. The highest temperatures for the week were 118 degrees in Bullhead City and Mohave, 117 degrees in Parker, and Phoenix, and 116 degrees in Yuma. The lowest temperatures were 48 and 49 degrees at the Grand Canyon and Flagstaff, respectively. Prescott received the most precipitation, at 1.49 inches.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cotton				
Setting bolls	93	85	99	93
Bolls opening	35	25	39	35

NA - not available

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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	4	4	--	NA
Short	17	17	35	NA
Adequate	73	73	64	NA
Surplus	6	6	1	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	4	4	7	NA
Short	15	15	33	NA
Adequate	78	78	59	NA
Surplus	3	3	1	NA

NA - not available

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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	2	2	5	4
Fair	10	9	23	25
Good.....	40	38	38	42
Excellent.....	43	46	28	28
Cotton				
Very poor.....	3	3	--	--
Poor	1	--	--	1
Fair	16	17	9	12
Good.....	48	45	50	49
Excellent.....	32	35	41	38
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	7	7	20	34
Poor	9	9	24	19
Fair	33	34	30	24
Good.....	43	45	23	18
Excellent.....	8	5	3	5

NA – not available

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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_08162015.pdf