

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 10, 2016

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Harvesting continued on almost three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Cotton squaring is at 85 percent, above both last year and the 5-year average at 82 percent. Cotton setting bolls is at 40 percent, ahead of last year at 37 percent and the 5-year average at 38 percent. Cotton condition was rated mostly good to excellent last week. Central Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, mixed melons, and watermelons last week. Western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, mixed melons, and watermelons last week. Rangeland conditions varied widely, depending on location but were rated mostly fair to good. Monsoon season has arrived around the State, but only some areas have received beneficial rain. Forty out of the 50 weather stations reported no precipitation. Bowie recorded the least at 0.02 inches while Kartchner reported the most at 0.69 inches. Kartchner year to date precipitation is at 132 percent of normal. The driest, at 38 percent of normal, is Sahuarita. The highest temperature during the week was 113 degrees reported at Bullhead City, Mohave, and Roll. The lowest temperature during the week was 45 degrees at Grand Canyon.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Mature	95	85	92	NA
Harvested	85	75	84	83
Cotton				
Squaring	85	75	82	82
Setting Bolls	40	30	37	38
Durum wheat				
Harvested	80	75	82	72
Winter wheat				
Mature	80	70	81	NA
Harvested	60	55	62	33

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	2	2	4	NA
Short	29	29	16	NA
Adequate	65	65	74	NA
Surplus	4	4	6	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	15	15	3	NA
Short	14	14	14	NA
Adequate	69	69	80	NA
Surplus	2	2	3	NA

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	4	4	5	2
Poor	1	1	--	2
Fair	11	11	8	20
Good.....	50	50	40	45
Excellent	34	34	47	31
Cotton				
Very poor	5	4	3	1
Poor.....	--	--	--	2
Fair	3	3	19	17
Good.....	55	55	51	51
Excellent	37	38	27	29
Pasture and range				
Very poor	15	14	7	38
Poor.....	14	13	11	22
Fair	41	41	43	24
Good.....	27	29	37	14
Excellent	3	3	2	2

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/2016/AZ_Weather_07102016.pdf