

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 14, 2019

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By the end of the week, cotton planting was 30 percent complete compared with 35 percent last year, and 9 percent has emerged compared with 4 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Seventy-four percent of barley has headed compared with 70 percent last year, and 6 percent has matured compared with 15 percent last year. Barley conditions were rated mostly good to fair. Seventy-two percent of Durum wheat has headed compared with 64 percent last year, and 4 percent has matured, the same percentage as last year. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly good. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to fair, depending on location last week with harvesting taking place on more than three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. For the entire State, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly good to fair. In the Northeastern part of the State, spring calving has been taking place. The grasses are beginning to green, but Tansy Mustard weed has affected grazing and caused some cattle illness and occasional death. In the North Central part of the State, precipitation is needed, and high winds have been affecting soil moisture in the Northwestern part of the State. In addition, strong winds have slowed down cotton planting progress in the Southeastern part of the State. In the South Central part of the State, two storms with high winds affected temperatures in the area, but warmer conditions at the end of the week resulted in acceptable soil temperatures for improved cotton germination.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Headed .....	74	56	70	NA
Mature .....	6	NA	15	NA
Cotton				
Planted .....	30	29	35	39
Emerged .....	9	5	4	NA
Durum wheat				
Headed .....	72	43	64	NA
Mature .....	4	NA	4	NA

NA – not available

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### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork .....	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	--	--	3	2
Short .....	9	10	9	23
Adequate .....	90	82	85	68
Surplus .....	1	8	3	7
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	--	--	3	8
Short .....	10	10	9	15
Adequate .....	90	84	85	73
Surplus .....	--	6	3	4

NA – not available

(--) – zero

**CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION**

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	3
Poor.....	5	3	1	2
Fair.....	27	23	12	18
Good .....	54	63	52	44
Excellent .....	14	11	35	33
Barley				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	5	2
Fair.....	24	22	37	30
Good .....	65	74	40	48
Excellent .....	10	3	18	19
Durum wheat				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	--	--
Fair.....	6	6	17	9
Good .....	81	86	48	57
Excellent .....	12	7	35	34
Pasture and range				
Very poor .....	3	5	41	18
Poor.....	10	12	45	23
Fair.....	29	22	9	28
Good .....	54	57	5	27
Excellent .....	4	4	--	4

NA – not available

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