

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 21, 2019

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By the end of the week, cotton planting was 40 percent complete compared with 44 percent last year, and 19 percent has emerged compared with 15 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Ninety-three percent of barley has headed compared with 83 percent last year, and 18 percent has matured compared with 29 percent last year. Barley conditions were rated mostly good. Eighty-nine percent of Durum wheat has headed compared with 81 percent last year, and 12 percent has matured compared with 19 percent 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 during the past week, strong winds and a light cold front affected soil conditions, grasses are greening up, and livestock water capacity is still good in existing earthen tanks and reservoirs. In the North Central part of the State, forage growth has slowed because of dry conditions. Forage conditions look good in the Northwestern part of the State, but spring winds and warmer temps have continued to deplete soil moisture.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Headed .....	93	74	83	62
Mature .....	18	6	29	NA
Cotton				
Planted .....	40	30	44	52
Emerg'd .....	19	9	15	NA
Durum wheat				
Headed .....	89	72	81	58
Mature .....	12	4	19	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 .....	7.0	6.9	7.0	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	--	--	3	2
Short .....	7	9	5	22
Adequate .....	87	90	88	69
Surplus .....	6	1	4	7
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	--	--	3	8
Short .....	7	10	4	14
Adequate .....	88	90	89	74
Surplus .....	5	--	4	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	5	1	2
Fair.....	25	27	16	18
Good .....	57	54	52	43
Excellent .....	13	14	31	34
Barley				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	5	2
Fair.....	17	24	40	30
Good .....	72	65	31	47
Excellent .....	10	10	24	20
Durum wheat				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	1	--
Fair.....	5	6	14	9
Good .....	83	81	41	57
Excellent .....	11	12	44	34
Pasture and range				
Very poor .....	4	3	35	18
Poor.....	10	10	44	21
Fair.....	30	29	11	28
Good .....	55	54	10	29
Excellent .....	1	4	--	4

NA – not available

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