

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 12, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, cotton planting was 75 percent complete compared with 82 percent last year, and 64 percent had emerged compared with 65 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Eighty-one percent of barley had matured compared with 59 percent last year, and 22 percent had been harvested for grain. Barley conditions were rated mostly good. Seventy percent of Durum wheat had matured compared with 41 percent last year, and 4 percent had been harvested for grain. 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, cool season beneficial grasses for cattle were in bloom, but several toxic weed species were reaching maturity also. Prior to the beneficial moisture received during the week, many areas in the north-central and northwestern part of the State were beginning to experience drought conditions with no new forage growth. Scattered thunderstorms were received in some areas of the south-central part of the State. In the southwestern part of the State, vegetables for seed and melon harvest season has started already.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Mature.....	81	65	59	NA
Harvested for grain	22	5	NA	NA
Cotton				
Planted	75	60	82	86
Emerg ed.....	64	48	65	NA
Durum wheat				
Mature.....	70	41	41	NA
Harvested for grain	4	NA	NA	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	7.0	7.0	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	--	5	2
Short.....	9	9	25	23
Adequate	86	88	70	71
Surplus	5	3	--	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	5	6
Short.....	8	7	27	19
Adequate	87	92	68	73
Surplus	5	1	--	2

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.....	4	7	1	2
Fair.....	25	29	14	17
Good	60	51	61	44
Excellent	11	13	24	34
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	5	2
Fair.....	16	13	43	29
Good	72	75	39	46
Excellent	11	11	13	22
Durum wheat				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	2	1
Fair.....	5	5	27	12
Good	79	81	36	54
Excellent	15	13	35	33
Pasture and range				
Very poor	4	4	62	24
Poor.....	9	10	38	19
Fair.....	25	26	--	23
Good	60	57	--	28
Excellent	2	3	--	6

NA – not available

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