

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By the end of the week, cotton setting bolls stage had reached 59 percent complete compared with 49 percent last year and bolls opening stage had reached 5 percent complete compared with 10 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Cotton conditions were rated mostly good to fair. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week with harvest taking place on three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. For the entire State, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly fair to good. Range conditions were reported as considerably dry in the northeastern part of the State. Hot and windy weather has exacerbated the loss of soil moisture in the north central part of the State and it has affected forage growth. In the northwestern part of the State, hot temperatures and constant winds have accelerated the drying of soil and forage, and some range areas are completely dry. In the south central part of the State, the rainy season is starting but cotton conditions declined, because unusual weather conditions led to poor stand establishment, vast wind damage, and increased spring insect pressure.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cotton				
Setting Bolls.....	59	33	49	55
Bolls Opening.....	5	2	10	5

NA – not available  
 (--) – zero

### 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	6.9
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	1	2	1	2
Short.....	16	17	8	18
Adequate .....	83	81	89	76
Surplus .....	--	--	2	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	2	5	1	5
Short.....	15	16	7	14
Adequate .....	78	73	90	79
Surplus .....	5	6	2	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 .....	--	--	1	3
Poor.....	6	4	6	6
Fair.....	16	13	23	19
Good .....	61	63	41	38
Excellent .....	17	20	29	34
Cotton				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	10	4	2	1
Fair.....	25	19	58	21
Good .....	58	67	34	52
Excellent .....	7	10	6	25
Pasture and range				
Very poor .....	7	5	68	28
Poor.....	23	16	21	20
Fair.....	42	41	8	29
Good .....	28	37	3	21
Excellent .....	--	1	--	2

NA – not available

(--) – zero