

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 18, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, cotton setting bolls stage had reached 99 percent complete compared with 95 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Thirty-five percent of the crop had reached the bolls opening stage compared with 34 percent last year and 1 percent had been defoliated. Cotton conditions were rated mostly good to fair. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to fair, depending on location last week with harvest taking place on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Pasture and range conditions were mostly rated fair to poor. Due to poor soil conditions and above averages temperatures forage land has been drying out in the north central and northwestern part of the State. Dry weather has also been affecting soil and crop conditions in the south central and southeastern part of the State.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton				
Setting Bolls.....	99	90	95	95
Bolls Opening.....	35	23	34	39
Defoliated.....	1	NA	1	1

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	6.7	6.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	2	1	--	2
Short.....	26	20	15	19
Adequate	71	78	83	76
Surplus	1	1	2	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	2	1	1	6
Short.....	28	20	15	15
Adequate	70	79	82	77
Surplus	--	--	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	--	--	2	4
Poor.....	7	7	7	6
Fair.....	21	18	22	20
Good	57	59	47	42
Excellent	15	16	22	28
Cotton				
Very poor	--	--	2	2
Poor.....	10	5	3	2
Fair.....	25	16	43	18
Good	55	61	44	48
Excellent	10	18	8	30
Pasture and range				
Very poor	6	6	56	19
Poor.....	30	21	27	17
Fair.....	43	43	10	27
Good	20	29	6	29
Excellent	1	1	1	8

NA – not available

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