

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 25, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, 50 percent of the cotton crop had reached the bolls opening stage compared with 52 percent last year and 9 percent had been defoliated compared to 4 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 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. In the northeastern part of the State, range conditions are generally poor and forage has been drying quickly, but high elevations in the east side of this region are in good condition. In the north central and northwestern part of the State, forage is still declining due to dry, hot, and windy conditions. Rains have been spotty and some ranchers have been hauling water due to a lack of tank water in the southeastern part of the State. In the south central part of the State, dry weather conditions have affected crop progress.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton				
Bolls Opening	50	35	52	51
Defoliated	9	1	4	4

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	6.7	6.9
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	2	2	--	1
Short.....	17	26	16	18
Adequate	80	71	82	78
Surplus	1	1	2	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	2	2	--	4
Short.....	19	28	15	14
Adequate	79	70	83	80
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.....	9	7	6	5
Fair.....	25	21	22	19
Good	48	57	46	41
Excellent	18	15	24	31
Cotton				
Very poor	--	--	2	2
Poor.....	11	10	2	2
Fair.....	33	25	47	18
Good	46	55	41	49
Excellent	10	10	8	29
Pasture and range				
Very poor	5	6	47	18
Poor.....	34	30	29	15
Fair.....	41	43	12	26
Good	19	20	9	31
Excellent	1	1	3	10

NA – not available

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