

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 29, 2019

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By the end of the week, 30 percent of the cotton crop had been defoliated compared to 40 percent last year, and 15 percent had been harvested compared with 22 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 two-thirds of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Pasture and range conditions were mostly rated poor to fair. In the north central part of the State, storms have prevented for the increases in drought conditions, but range land is still dry. In the northwestern part of the State, rain has helped to replenish the soil moisture and fill watering tanks. In the southwestern part of the State, strong winds during the week affected cotton progress and conditions.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cotton				
Defoliated .....	30	25	40	33
Harvested .....	15	10	22	17

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 .....	5.8	7.0	6.6	6.9
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	1	--	1
Short.....	25	34	12	19
Adequate .....	70	63	86	77
Surplus .....	5	2	2	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	2	--	5
Short.....	26	35	14	15
Adequate .....	71	63	85	78
Surplus .....	3	--	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 .....	7	--	--	3
Poor.....	6	9	2	2
Fair.....	20	19	16	21
Good .....	52	54	54	43
Excellent .....	15	18	28	31
Cotton				
Very poor .....	--	--	1	2
Poor.....	12	7	5	3
Fair.....	39	35	41	19
Good .....	41	48	40	47
Excellent .....	8	10	13	29
Pasture and range				
Very poor .....	9	17	34	16
Poor.....	43	35	37	15
Fair.....	31	34	15	29
Good .....	17	14	6	32
Excellent .....	--	--	8	8

NA – not available

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