

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MARCH 1, 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of this week, 71 percent of barley has been planted compared with 69 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Sixty-nine percent has emerged compared with 56 percent last year, and 20 percent has headed compared with 1 percent last year. Barley conditions were rated mostly good. Seventy-seven percent of Durum wheat has been planted compared with 84 percent last year, 71 percent has emerged compared with 58 percent last year, and 7 percent has headed. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly good to excellent. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week with harvesting taking place on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. For the entire State, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly fair. Statewide, soil moisture has declined by a slight percentage, except in the north central part of the State. In the northwestern part of the State, soil moisture has not improved as expected, but there is still some new forage growth.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted	71	65	69	NA
Emerg'd	69	60	56	63
Headed	20	17	1	NA
Durum wheat				
Planted	77	75	84	NA
Emerg'd	71	70	58	70
Headed	7	4	1	NA

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	7.0	NA	6.7	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	--	--	1
Short.....	4	2	6	19
Adequate	96	98	85	74
Surplus	--	--	9	6
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	--	6
Short.....	6	2	6	14
Adequate	94	98	90	75
Surplus	--	--	4	5

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	--	--	1	2
Poor.....	--	7	5	3
Fair.....	19	15	25	20
Good	41	32	59	53
Excellent	40	46	10	22
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Fair.....	24	--	10	NA
Good	48	43	83	NA
Excellent	28	57	7	NA
Durum wheat				
Very poor	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	1	NA
Fair.....	11	--	7	NA
Good	50	27	84	NA
Excellent	39	73	8	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor	1	3	5	13
Poor.....	18	20	12	16
Fair.....	50	47	47	35
Good	28	29	27	30
Excellent	3	1	9	6

NA – not available

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