



California Crop Weather

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WEATHER

Pacific systems provided rain to the northwest third of the State early in the week. Rain events occurred again during the last part of the week and into the weekend. Rain totals of one to three inches were common over northern areas of the State, with the heaviest totals over the Northwest Coast. Rain dropped off to the south and east, with most of the interior central and southern part of the State reporting little if any rain for the week. Temperatures averaged several degrees above normal over most of the State. Maximum temperatures continued to reach into the 90s over then interior portion of the State. Freezing temperatures were limited to the Extreme Inland North and Sierras.

FIELD CROPS

Cotton was harvested. Cotton conditions were rated 85 percent good or excellent. **Sorghum**, **alfalfa**, and **corn** fields were harvested for silage. Alfalfa continued to be cut and baled. Field preparations for winter grains continued and irrigated fields germinated well. Pasture and rangeland was 75 percent poor to very poor. **Rice** harvest was 95 percent complete. Showers and light rain did not stop harvest.

FRUIT CROPS

Fall pruning of stone fruit orchards continued, with older orchards being pushed out to make way for new plantings this winter and spring. Table **grapes** were shipped to domestic and export markets. Late variety table grape harvest was winding down. **Kiwifruit** harvest continued and was packed for export. **Pomegranates** were harvested and packed for the domestic and foreign markets. The navel **orange** harvest continued; maturity was progressing well. Cooler temperatures were needed to help with overall fruit color. Harvested Mandarin oranges were arriving at packinghouses and were treated to improve color. Oro Blanco **grapefruit** harvest continued and fruit was packed for export. **Olives** were harvested. **Persimmon** harvest continued.

NUT CROPS

The **walnut** harvest continued; trees were receiving a second shake. **Pistachios** were packed for export. Post harvest cleanup in **almond** orchards was ongoing. Trees were fertilized and pruning of almond trees continued.

VEGETABLE CROPS

Harvest continued for early fall crops such as **peppers**, **squash**, **eggplant**, **pumpkins**, and **gourds**. Many growers continued with their fall ground preparation by irrigating, cultivating and fertilizing. Replanting for next season's crops continued.

LIVESTOCK

Severe drought conditions continued to affect rangeland pastures in many areas. Feed costs for cattle producers remained high. Due to the lack of quality feed, supplemental feeding is essential for range cattle. Cattle and sheep grazed idle fields, dry land grain, and alfalfa fields.

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CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER – WEEK ENDING 10/26/14

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE DAYS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION			
	Average Week Ending 10/26/14	Departure from Normal	High	Low	This Year	Normal Year	This Season	This Week	This Season	Normal Season	Normal Year
					January 1 - 10/26/14	January 1 - 10/26/14	July 1 - 10/26/14	Week Ending 10/26/14	July 1 - 10/26/14	July 1 - 10/26/14	July 1 - June 30
	-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days /1--	-- Inches of Precipitation --			
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	61	+8	73	49	125	73	14	2.64	6.29	3.14	38.10
Ukiah	60	+2	73	46	2,143	1,476	10	0.84	1.75	2.34	38.90
Santa Rosa AP	61	0	77	44	1,322	1,124	6	0.15	1.09	1.98	31.01
Napa State Hosp	63	+2	75	46	1,703	1,206	9	0.47	1.11	1.59	26.46
Central Coast											
San Francisco A	66	+7	74	56	1,320	555	4	0.13	0.55	1.06	20.11
San Jose AP	62	0	78	48	1,610	1,587	2	0.11	0.47	1.02	15.08
Salinas AP	63	+3	78	48	957	611	4	0.19	0.30	0.76	12.91
Monterey AP	61	+2	72	50	683	313	7	0.18	0.59	1.26	20.35
King City Ag	63	+2	87	45	1,680	1,293	0	0.00	0.00	0.71	12.30
Paso Robles AP	63	+3	87	42	2,275	1,685	0	0.00	0.00	0.82	13.08
Sacramento Valley											
Redding	59	-2	73	44	3,147	2,514	14	1.71	5.23	2.41	33.52
Red Bluff	60	-3	74	45	3,266	2,737	13	1.35	4.69	1.94	24.07
Willow s 6W	62	+1	81	46	2,888	2,137	7	0.56	2.01	1.20	19.03
Oroville AP	62	+3	77	49	3,051	2,223	7	0.24	1.35	1.86	28.75
Marysville	62	-1	77	45	2,742	2,560	5	0.17	0.70	1.46	22.07
Sacramento AP	64	+2	78	47	2,559	2,069	5	0.12	0.76	1.12	17.93
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	64	+2	80	49	2,642	2,323	2	0.05	0.64	1.05	13.84
Modesto AP	64	+1	80	50	2,890	2,457	2	0.03	0.33	0.95	13.12
Merced Macready	65	+3	84	46	3,149	2,436	1	0.02	0.02	0.79	12.50
Madera AP	64	+2	86	44	3,044	2,560	1	0.00	0.03	0.85	11.94
Fresno AP	67	+6	87	52	4,034	2,787	1	0.00	0.01	0.78	11.23
Lemoore NAS	64	+3	85	43	3,362	2,500	0	0.00	0.00	0.68	7.89
Visalia AP	64	+2	84	46	3,146	2,546	1	0.00	0.02	0.78	11.03
Bakersfield AP	67	+3	84	54	4,075	3,156	1	0.00	0.01	0.48	6.49
Cascade Sierra											
Alturas AP	49	+5	72	32	840	451	19	0.92	2.30	1.90	12.13
Mount Shasta AP	50	+2	61	31	1,146	510	16	2.39	6.74	3.32	39.16
Blue Canyon	50	-2	65	34	1,297	692	11	1.69	4.63	5.08	66.36
Yosemite Valley	57	+3	81	39	2,192	1,278	7	0.00	0.47	3.36	37.73
South Coast											
Santa Maria AP	67	+8	83	51	1,481	615	0	0.00	0.00	0.72	14.01
Santa Barbara A	65	+3	80	48	1,432	1,165	2	0.00	0.02	0.95	16.93
Oxnard NWS	66	+4	81	53	1,660	1,038	2	0.00	0.04	0.71	15.62
Riverside AP	72	+6	94	55	3,499	2,764	6	0.00	0.40	0.69	10.22
Los Angeles AP	69	+4	80	60	2,265	1,674	3	0.00	0.19	0.69	13.15
San Diego AP	71	+5	84	62	2,679	1,969	3	0.00	0.08	0.66	10.77
Southeast Interior											
Bishop AP	60	+7	83	32	2,218	1,770	2	0.00	0.16	0.73	5.02
Daggett AP	72	+8	92	53	4,580	3,839	2	0.00	0.03	1.34	4.17
Lancaster ATC	64	+5	87	41	3,009	2,504	1	0.00	0.03	0.69	7.40
Thermal	77	+7	95	53	5,550	5,032	5	0.00	0.45	1.09	3.53
Blythe AP	79	+9	96	64	5,927	5,246	10	0.00	0.67	1.71	4.02
Imperial CA	80	+8	96	63	5,784	5,032	5	0.00	1.60	1.04	2.96

1/ Total number of days with precipitation events this season.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) is in inches.

Air Temperatures are in Degrees Fahrenheit.

Normal periods 1970-2000 used in Departure From Normal calculations.

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