



# California Crop Weather

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## WEATHER

Hot weather continued, but enough moisture moved into the state to drive scattered showers across the mountains and northern valley. Additional monsoon showers were seen in the deserts. Most areas that saw rain saw less than half an inch, although a few heavier downpours led to nearly an inch of rainfall in isolated locations. Patchy snow continued at elevated, sheltered areas in the Lassen Volcanic Park, with a maximum depth of up to a foot. In addition, there was still one to three feet of snow on the peak of Shasta.

Temperature highs were in the 60s to 80s along the coast, 70s to 90s in the mountains, and 90s to 100s in the valley and desert. Temperature lows were in the 30s to 50s in the mountains, 50s to 60s along the coast, 60s to 70s in the valley, and 60s to 80s in the desert.

## FIELD CROPS

**Rice** was nearly completely headed. **Alfalfa** fields continued to be irrigated, cut and baled. **Sorghum** for silage was in various stages of development. **Cotton** was being irrigated and bolls continued to develop. Black-eyed **beans** were drying and nearing harvest.

## FRUIT CROPS

Stone fruit harvest was nearly complete. Harvest of some late variety stone fruit orchards continued. Wine, table, and raisin **grape** harvest was ongoing. Harvest of some early wine grape varieties was complete. Raisin grapes continued to be placed on trays for drying. **Pomegranate** harvest continued. **Persimmons** continued to gain size and change color. Valencia **oranges** and **lemons** were harvested and packed. Early **apple** varieties were harvested.

## NUT CROPS

The **almond** harvest continued. **Walnut** orchards were being prepared for harvest and sprayed for husk fly and orangeworm. Ethephon sprays were applied to some walnut groves. **Pistachio** harvest continued.

## VEGETABLE CROPS

In Colusa County, the processing **tomato** harvest continued. Reported issues included both mold and excessive quantities of green tomatoes. In San Joaquin County, harvest continued for **honeydew** melons, **watermelons**, **cantaloupes**, **pumpkin**, **squash**, and processing tomatoes. Farmers Market vegetables continue to be harvested and offered for sale. In Monterey County, the weather was hot, which affected **lettuce** growth. Seedstem showed up in romaine and iceberg lettuce. Continued heat and cloudy conditions expected next week may continue to impact the harvest. In San Mateo County, beans were harvested. Pumpkins started reaching maturity. In Tulare County, tomatoes, **cucumbers**, squash, and **peppers** were picked by certified producers and sold at the local Farmers Markets. Yellow squash, **zucchini**, **eggplant**, Bell peppers, green chili peppers, and cucumbers were harvested and shipped domestically. Fall vegetables were planted and developing well.

## LIVESTOCK

Rangeland and dryland pastures continued to decrease in nutritive value necessitating supplemental feeding of livestock. **Sheep** continued to graze retired cropland as well as harvested melon and vegetable fields. **Bees** were still active in squash fields.

**CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER – WEEK ENDING 09/10/2017**

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE DAYS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
	Average Week Ending 09/10/2017	Departure from Normal 2/	High	Low	This Year	Normal Year 2/	This Season	This Week	This Season	Normal Season 2/	Normal Year 2/
					January 1 - 09/10/2017	January 1 - 09/10/2017	July 1 - 09/10/2017	Week Ending 09/10/2017	July 1 - 09/10/2017	July 1 - 09/10/2017	July 1 - June 30
-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days 3/ -	-- Inches of Precipitation --				
<b>North Coast</b>											
Eureka WFO	62	4	75	55	59	52	3	0.32	0.38	0.77	38.10
Ukiah	77	7	104	55	1277	892	0	0.00	0.00	0.36	38.90
Santa Rosa	73	5	99	54	775	557	1	0.02	0.02	0.28	31.01
Napa State Hospital	74	6	95	60	848	607	1	0.08	0.08	0.27	26.46
<b>Central Coast</b>											
San Francisco	72	8	91	60	518	260	0	0.00	0.00	0.10	20.11
San Jose	77	7	95	63	984	778	0	0.00	0.00	0.17	15.08
Salinas	71	6	84	59	410	288	0	0.00	0.00	0.11	12.91
Monterey	70	8	84	57	302	138	1	0.01	0.01	0.27	20.35
King City Ag	74	5	97	52	886	654	1	0.00	0.02	0.11	12.30
Paso Robles	77	6	100	57	1299	969	1	0.02	0.02	0.18	13.08
<b>Sacramento Valley</b>											
Redding	85	10	109	63	1902	1397	2	0.61	0.71	0.37	33.52
Red Bluff	84	7	108	64	1818	1447	1	0.10	0.10	0.42	24.07
Willows 6W	80	7	105	62	1611	1112	0	0.00	0.00	0.25	19.03
Oroville	82	10	105	61	1714	1185	0	0.00	0.00	0.33	28.75
Marysville	81	6	105	59	1561	1269	0	0.00	0.00	0.25	22.07
Sacramento	79	6	102	57	1374	1063	0	0.00	0.00	0.21	17.93
<b>San Joaquin Valley</b>											
Stockton	81	7	107	60	1523	1190	1	0.00	0.01	0.21	13.84
Modesto	82	8	104	63	1693	1210	0	0.00	0.00	0.19	13.12
Merced Macready	81	6	104	61	1587	1262	0	0.00	0.00	0.05	12.50
Madera	83	8	104	62	1680	1337	0	0.00	0.00	0.06	11.94
Fresno	84	8	105	64	1907	1443	0	0.00	0.00	0.08	11.23
Lemoore NAS	86	11	106	63	1802	1263	0	0.00	0.00	0.13	7.89
Visalia	82	7	105	63	1699	1300	0	0.00	0.00	0.08	11.03
Bakersfield	86	8	108	69	2101	1581	1	0.01	0.01	0.08	6.49
<b>Cascade Sierra</b>											
Alturas	71	11	100	44	800	377	7	0.07	1.42	0.88	12.13
Mount Shasta	72	11	98	48	928	394	2	0.27	0.41	1.05	39.16
Blue Canyon	71	7	90	59	994	521	4	0.03	0.14	1.17	66.36
Yosemite Valley	60	-9	86	36	1036	874	4	0.00	0.48	0.94	37.73
<b>South Coast</b>											
Santa Maria	70	6	84	60	490	318	2	0.17	0.25	0.19	14.01
Santa Barbara	70	2	84	55	610	571	2	0.01	0.05	0.25	16.93
Oxnard NWS	70	3	82	60	752	479	1	0.02	0.02	0.20	15.62
Riverside	81	3	102	64	1588	1366	6	0.22	0.51	0.30	10.22
Los Angeles	73	2	82	64	911	731	1	0.06	0.06	0.26	13.15
San Diego	75	3	80	69	1004	847	3	0.06	0.08	0.13	10.77
<b>Southeast Interior</b>											
Bishop	73	3	97	48	1352	1074	3	0.00	0.05	0.39	5.02
Daggett	86	4	104	66	2233	1902	5	0.18	0.22	0.97	4.17
Lancaster ATC	79	4	98	55	1802	1395	1	0.00	0.03	0.25	7.40
Thermal	90	3	109	72	2411	2166	2	0.25	0.32	0.76	3.53
Blythe	91	3	109	72	2640	2337	4	0.27	0.70	1.20	4.02
Imperial CA	91	3	109	73	2534	2221	6	0.01	0.67	0.49	2.96

1/ Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice).

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

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

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