



# California Crop Weather

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## WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from the mid 70s to high 90s in the mountains, mid 60s to low 100s along the coast, high 80s to mid 100s in the valley, and mid 90s to mid 110s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from low 40s to mid 60s in the mountains, high 40s to high 60s along the coast, low 50s to low 90s in the desert, and mid 50s to mid 70s in the valley.

## FIELD CROPS

In Tulare County, **corn** for silage was maturing with some fields being harvested. **Black-eyed beans** were sizing up, and pods drying. **Cotton** continued to be irrigated and cultivated. **Alfalfa** was cut and baled. In Siskiyou, Trinity and Modoc counties, cattle were moved to range land at higher elevations. San Mateo County, **hay** continued to be cut and baled. Fresno County corn continued to be harvested for silage. Alfalfa yields are good with lower quality with prices decreasing. In Fresno County, alfalfa seed has been dried and harvest expected to begin soon.

## FRUIT CROPS

Stone fruit orchards were irrigated. **Apricot, peach, plum, pluot,** and **nectarine** harvest continued. Post-harvest pruning and mechanical topping was ongoing. Some older stone fruit orchards were pushed out after harvest. **Persimmons, figs** and **olives** were maturing well. **Grape** harvest was underway. Irrigation and mechanical vineyard maintenance continued. Valencia **oranges** were harvested. Citrus groves were pruned and hedged. Some citrus were pushed out in preparation for new plantings.

## NUT CROPS

Orchards continue to be irrigated. **Almonds, walnuts,** and **pistachios** were developing well. Almonds were treated for Navel Orangeworm and mites. Orchard floors were cleaned up in preparation of almond harvest. Almond harvest began in Fresno County with the first shaking reported this season.

## VEGETABLE CROPS

Monterey County is reported good weather conditions for **lettuce**. In San Mateo County, fall **squash** plants are in flower. In the Sacramento Valley, **tomato** harvest began. Tulare County summer vegetables continue to be sold at roadside stands and farmer's markets. Producers are picking tomatoes, **peppers, eggplant, cucumbers,** and squash. In Fresno county processing tomatoes and **garlic** have been reported with below average yields and **carrot** harvest will begin soon.

## LIVESTOCK

Rangeland grasses continued to dry. Foothill rangeland and non-irrigated pasture remained in fair to good condition, though water was hauled to livestock in some locations and supplemental feeding had commenced. Some cattle were moved to higher elevation range. Sheep grazed in fallow fields. Bee were active in sunflower fields.

**CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER – WEEK ENDING 08/04/2019**

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
	Average Week Ending 08/04/2019	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- 08/04/2019	January 1- 08/04/2019	July 1- 08/04/2019	Week Ending 08/04/2019	Oct 1- 08/04/2019	Oct 1- 08/04/2019	Oct 1- Sept 30
	-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days 3/ --	-- Inches of Precipitation --			
<b>North Coast</b>											
Eureka WFO	61	3	70	53	61	0	104	0.00	41.79	39.45	40.53
Ukiah	76	2	97	55	1121	827	85	0.00	43.65	36.80	37.61
Santa Rosa	69	2	91	50	635	495	80	0.00	48.07	35.85	36.51
Napa State Hospital	67	2	80	53	488	362	68	0.00	26.52	20.04	20.52
<b>Central Coast</b>											
San Francisco	65	1	75	55	398	233	75	0.00	23.34	20.44	20.79
San Jose	69	-2	84	56	814	811	75	0.00	16.43	14.67	15.02
Salinas	63	0	73	54	429	200	70	0.00	13.82	12.63	12.91
Monterey	63	2	71	56	194	41	85	0.00	22.48	15.88	16.23
Paso Robles	74	0	101	48	992	884	60	0.00	14.90	12.46	12.87
<b>Sacramento Valley</b>											
Redding	84	2	104	64	1808	1533	86	0.00	43.22	33.81	34.80
Red Bluff	83	2	100	62	1757	1526	80	0.00	30.39	23.87	24.63
Willows	79	1	99	59	1578	1342	56	0.00	30.71	22.98	23.67
Oroville	81	2	98	61	1625	1424	82	0.00	33.33	30.76	31.72
Marysville	78	1	98	56	1422	1284	70	0.00	28.99	22.17	22.88
Sacramento	76	0	97	57	1301	1174	66	0.00	26.45	20.81	21.35
<b>San Joaquin Valley</b>											
Stockton	79	2	100	58	1518	1219	66	0.00	18.39	13.76	14.14
Modesto	80	1	98	61	1585	1511	63	0.00	13.37	12.83	13.19
Merced Macready	80	2	100	59	1471	1312	59	0.00	13.28	12.20	12.59
Madera	80	2	101	59	1686	1386	58	0.00	11.43	11.75	12.10
Fresno	85	2	104	66	2000	1761	60	0.00	11.87	11.32	11.57
Lemoore	81	2	103	57	1660	1405	55	0.00	8.40	7.71	7.95
Visalia	82	1	102	65	1663	1540	54	0.00	10.76	10.77	10.99
Bakersfield	86	2	105	68	2115	1825	56	0.00	7.83	6.35	6.51
<b>Cascade Sierra</b>											
Alturas	69	2	94	42	356	272	92	0.00	13.61	13.33	14.22
Mount Shasta	71	2	91	49	525	358	89	0.00	44.75	42.24	43.48
Blue Canyon	70	0	79	62	492	424	107	0.00	80.47	63.32	65.00
Yosemite Valley	76	2	97	58	641	686	77	0.00	37.48	35.99	36.97
<b>South Coast</b>											
Santa Maria	62	-2	74	51	360	161	65	0.00	15.69	13.79	14.05
Santa Barbara	66	0	77	55	373	312	53	0.00	21.92	17.39	17.89
Oxnard	66	0	74	59	471	349	47	0.00	14.73	14.39	14.71
Riverside	81	1	100	62	1439	1410	42	0.00	13.12	12.10	12.50
Los Angeles	68	-1	75	62	783	626	41	0.00	16.99	12.56	12.92
San Diego	71	0	77	65	941	783	54	0.00	12.83	10.17	10.42
<b>Southeast Interior</b>											
Bishop	77	0	102	51	1042	1097	32	0.00	8.72	4.88	5.21
Daggett	91	2	112	71	2369	2338	25	0.00	4.07	3.64	4.08
Lancaster	83	0	106	62	1520	1590	35	0.00	7.28	7.14	7.43
Thermal	97	6	117	76	3500	2901	20	0.00	3.73	2.79	3.22
Blythe	99	5	114	84	3273	3247	16	0.00	2.60	2.96	3.85
Imperial	96	3	114	80	3103	3032	18	0.00	1.75	2.75	3.46

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

2/ Normal periods 1980-2010 used in departure from normal calculations.

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

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