



California Crop Weather

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WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from the mid 60s to mid 90s in the mountains, low 70s to low 100s along the coast, high 70s to low 100s in the valley, and mid 80s to mid 110s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from the high 30s to mid 70s in the mountains, low 50s to low 60s along the coast, mid 50s to mid 80s in the valley, and low 50s to mid 90s in the desert.

FIELD CROPS

In Tulare and Fresno counties, **alfalfa** continued to be irrigated, cut, and baled. **Cotton** was in full bloom and **corn** was being cut for silage. **Safflower** harvest was ongoing. **Blackeye peas** continued to mature and were drying in fields. **Sorghum** was growing well. **Oats** continued to be cut and baled for hay in San Mateo County. In Sacramento County, **rice**, safflower, and **sunflower** was progressing well.

FRUIT CROPS

Nectarine, **peach**, **pear**, **plum**, **pluot**, **fig**, and Asian **pear** harvests continued. Post-harvest pruning and mechanical topping was ongoing. Some older stone fruit orchards were pushed out after harvest. **Olives** were maturing well. **Persimmons** were developing color. Table **grape** harvest continued. Irrigation and mechanical vineyard maintenance was ongoing. Early wine grapes were harvested. Some Valencia **oranges** were harvested. Gassing of Valencia oranges continued to counter re-greening. Ruby red **grapefruit** and finger **limes** were harvested. Citrus groves were pruned, hedged, and skirted. Some citrus groves were pushed out in preparation for new plantings.

NUT CROPS

Orchards continued to be irrigated. **Walnuts** and **pistachios** were developing well. Orchard floors were cleaned up in preparation of **almond** harvest. Almond harvest was underway in some areas.

VEGETABLE CROPS

Tulare County reported certified producers grew **squash**, **tomatoes**, **bell peppers**, **eggplant**, and **jalapenos** for local farmers' markets and roadside stands. Fresno County reported good jalapeno yields. Quality and yield for green and red bell peppers for processing were good. Processed tomato harvest continued at a steady pace in the valley.

LIVESTOCK

Foothill rangeland and non-irrigated pasture remained in fair to poor condition. Water was hauled to livestock in some dry locations and supplemental feeding was ongoing. Sheep grazed in fallow fields. Some cattle were moved to higher elevation range.

CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER – WEEK ENDING 08/25/2019

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
	Average Week Ending 08/25/2019	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- 08/25/2019	January 1- 08/25/2019	July 1- 08/25/2019	Week Ending 08/25/2019	Oct 1- 08/25/2019	Oct 1- 08/25/2019	Oct 1- Sept 30
-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days 3/ --	-- Inches of Precipitation --				
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	60	1	75	50	103	0	107	0.01	41.96	39.65	40.53
Ukiah	76	4	99	55	1469	1106	86	0.00	43.72	36.84	37.61
Santa Rosa	72	5	97	54	876	656	80	0.00	48.07	35.89	36.51
Napa State Hospital	68	2	89	51	680	495	68	0.00	26.52	20.06	20.52
Central Coast											
San Francisco	67	2	79	58	596	338	75	0.00	23.34	20.47	20.79
San Jose	72	1	87	59	1104	1042	75	0.00	16.43	14.67	15.02
Salinas	66	2	77	57	569	291	70	0.00	13.82	12.66	12.91
Monterey	67	5	77	59	322	82	85	0.00	22.48	15.91	16.23
Paso Robles	75	2	103	54	1312	1172	60	0.00	14.90	12.53	12.87
Sacramento Valley											
Redding	84	5	102	62	2290	1963	88	0.00	44.23	33.93	34.80
Red Bluff	82	4	100	60	2224	1946	81	0.00	30.41	23.95	24.63
Willows	78	2	99	58	1992	1696	57	0.00	30.74	23.05	23.67
Oroville	81	4	101	62	2066	1810	82	0.00	33.33	30.85	31.72
Marysville	79	4	101	58	1827	1632	70	0.00	28.99	22.25	22.88
Sacramento	78	3	99	58	1685	1498	66	0.00	26.45	20.84	21.35
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	79	4	102	57	1935	1562	66	0.00	18.39	13.77	14.14
Modesto	80	3	100	60	2007	1900	63	0.00	13.37	12.85	13.19
Merced Macready	80	4	102	58	1879	1666	59	0.00	13.28	12.20	12.59
Madera	80	3	102	58	2111	1756	58	0.00	11.43	11.76	12.10
Fresno	84	3	102	64	2519	2229	60	0.00	11.87	11.33	11.57
Lemoore	81	4	101	60	2105	1779	55	0.00	8.40	7.72	7.95
Visalia	80	2	99	63	2107	1951	54	0.00	10.76	10.77	10.99
Bakersfield	84	2	101	66	2644	2309	56	0.00	7.83	6.38	6.51
Cascade Sierra											
Alturas	67	4	90	40	502	386	93	0.00	13.89	13.57	14.22
Mount Shasta	68	2	90	44	718	513	90	0.00	44.96	42.46	43.48
Blue Canyon	70	2	79	61	699	623	108	0.00	80.49	63.50	65.00
Yosemite Valley	75	3	94	55	914	965	77	0.00	37.48	36.05	36.97
South Coast											
Santa Maria	66	2	78	55	500	245	65	0.00	15.69	13.80	14.05
Santa Barbara	66	0	78	54	498	440	53	0.00	21.92	17.47	17.89
Oxnard	68	2	77	59	616	478	47	0.00	14.73	14.42	14.71
Riverside	80	1	100	61	1855	1830	42	0.00	13.12	12.15	12.50
Los Angeles	73	3	80	65	992	836	41	0.00	16.99	12.60	12.92
San Diego	72	0	83	64	1173	1035	54	0.00	12.83	10.19	10.42
Southeast Interior											
Bishop	77	3	101	52	1390	1428	32	0.00	8.72	4.97	5.21
Daggett	88	1	106	68	2981	2928	25	0.00	4.07	3.81	4.08
Lancaster	82	2	103	61	1981	2044	35	0.00	7.28	7.21	7.43
Thermal	94	5	117	70	4227	3539	20	0.00	3.73	2.92	3.22
Blythe	94	1	115	76	4025	3962	16	0.00	2.60	3.34	3.85
Imperial	93	1	114	74	3828	3729	18	0.00	1.75	3.05	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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