



# California Crop Weather

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## WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from the low 40s to mid 50s in the mountains, mid 50s to low 70s in the desert, mid low 60s to low 70s along the coast, and mid 50s to mid 80s in the valley. Temperature lows ranged from the low 10s to high 30s in the desert, mid 20s to mid 30s in the mountains, low 40s to low 50s in the valley, and low 40s to mid 50s along the coast.

## FIELD CROPS

Harvested silage fields were being plowed and leveled for planting of winter forage crops and spring commodities in Tulare County. Winter grain plantings were beginning to emerge from the soil and was getting a needed boost with the current rainfall. **Alfalfa** continued to be cut and chopped for haylage. **Cotton** harvest was near completion and most fields have been shredded and disked. A majority of winter **wheat** sprouted in Sutter County.

## FRUIT CROPS

Mandarin **orange** harvest slowed due to wet weather. **Lemon** and **lime** harvests continued in many areas throughout the state where fields permitted. Fruit trees were pushed out, dried, burned, and ripped to prepare fields for replanting.

## NUT CROPS

Where fields were still accessible, irrigation system installation and maintenance was conducted.

## VEGETABLE CROPS

Tulare County reported continued harvesting of **bell** and **Jalapeno peppers**, **eggplant** and **squash**.

## LIVESTOCK

Foothill rangeland and non-irrigated pasture were reported to be in poor condition. Rain improved soil conditions. Sheep grazed harvested grain fields, retired farmland and alfalfa fields. Supplemental feeding of cattle continued.

**CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER – WEEK ENDING 12/08/2019**

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
	Average Week Ending 12/08/2019	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- 12/08/2019	January 1- 12/08/2019	October 1- 12/08/2019	Week Ending 12/08/2019	Oct 1- 12/08/2019	Oct 1- 12/08/2019	Oct 1- Sept 30
	-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days 3/ --	-- Inches of Precipitation --			
<b>North Coast</b>											
Eureka WFO	54	6	66	44	195	0	16	156	5.01	9.92	40.53
Ukiah	54	8	68	45	1993	1492	11	2.73	5.09	7.78	37.61
Santa Rosa	55	8	63	46	1283	957	13	3.70	9.72	8.01	36.51
Napa State Hospital	55	8	64	42	997	698	11	149	3.56	4.22	20.52
<b>Central Coast</b>											
San Francisco	57	5	66	50	1060	589	11	166	3.20	4.23	20.79
San Jose	57	4	67	46	1636	1549	13	123	2.28	3.07	15.02
Salinas	58	6	70	49	959	515	11	2.60	4.09	2.42	12.91
Monterey	58	6	71	48	679	148	14	3.84	6.92	3.19	16.23
Paso Robles	55	8	64	44	1874	1623	12	2.48	4.70	2.04	12.87
<b>Sacramento Valley</b>											
Redding	52	6	66	43	3042	2642	14	4.14	7.30	8.05	34.80
Red Bluff	54	7	66	45	2993	2663	10	168	3.67	5.00	24.63
Willows	54	5	63	41	2781	2406	9	109	1.91	5.05	23.67
Oroville	63	16	84	48	2764	2455	6	0.83	3.18	7.17	31.72
Marysville	54	8	66	43	2411	2206	8	126	4.11	5.35	22.88
Sacramento	55	9	67	46	2256	2053	9	165	4.30	4.28	21.35
<b>San Joaquin Valley</b>											
Stockton	56	9	69	47	2646	2167	11	193	3.90	3.01	14.14
Modesto	55	6	67	46	2680	2635	9	0.83	1.80	2.48	13.19
Merced Macready	54	8	68	41	2493	2254	6	124	4.34	2.24	12.59
Madera	56	9	68	42	2765	2389	8	0.42	1.90	2.32	12.10
Fresno	56	8	68	45	3455	3060	8	0.97	2.47	2.06	11.57
Lemoore	54	8	66	42	2785	2409	9	106	2.15	1.33	7.95
Visalia	54	6	67	44	2809	2672	10	100	2.62	2.20	10.99
Bakersfield	57	8	70	45	3608	3199	7	0.51	1.58	1.16	6.51
<b>Cascade Sierra</b>											
Alturas	38	7	51	25	611	401	11	0.44	0.89	3.21	14.22
Mount Shasta	40	4	48	30	887	585	15	3.75	7.39	9.21	43.48
Blue Canyon	41	2	54	33	963	800	14	5.58	11.65	15.13	65.00
Yosemite Valley	38	0	48	29	1187	1260	11	187	4.64	8.15	36.97
<b>South Coast</b>											
Santa Maria	59	7	69	48	980	423	10	0.70	2.68	2.38	14.05
Santa Barbara	57	4	64	46	941	701	9	139	2.85	2.91	17.89
Oxnard	58	3	65	49	1218	775	8	145	3.63	2.41	14.71
Riverside	58	3	71	44	3009	2764	8	0.92	2.73	1.58	12.50
Los Angeles	61	4	69	52	2010	1427	9	108	2.52	2.09	12.92
San Diego	62	5	71	50	2043	1720	10	138	4.10	1.92	10.42
<b>Southeast Interior</b>											
Bishop	36	-3	55	19	1768	1761	7	0.14	1.06	0.97	5.21
Daggett	50	2	65	37	4184	3982	6	0.46	0.91	0.65	4.08
Lancaster	47	2	60	33	2629	2689	8	137	2.72	1.20	7.43
Thermal	58	4	72	42	5743	4926	5	0.27	0.85	0.54	3.22
Blythe	56	1	67	45	5635	5529	7	0.13	1.93	0.55	3.85
Imperial	57	1	68	44	5432	5276	4	0.03	0.61	0.74	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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