



California Crop Weather

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WEATHER

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

FIELD CROPS

In Tulare County, harvested fields were being disked and planted for silage or other forage crops. Silage **corn** continued to grow at a steady rate, with an increase in irrigation. **Alfalfa** was maturing and continued to be harvested. **Bean** fields continued to flower. **Cotton** plants were blooming and underwent weed control. In Fresno County, alfalfa was harvested. In the Sacramento Valley, **rice** was progressing well, as warmer nights were contributing to crop maturity and harvest is expected to begin by the middle of September. **Sunflower** and **safflower** continued to be harvested.

FRUIT CROPS

Stone fruit orchards were irrigated. Table **grapes** were harvested in Tulare County. **Persimmons, kiwis, and pomegranates** steadily developed. **Nectarine, plum, plout, apricot, grapefruit,** and various **orange** harvests were ongoing. Citrus grove pruning was well underway. **Olive** orchards were progressing well.

NUT CROPS

Orchards were cleared in preparation for upcoming harvests. **Almonds, walnuts, and pistachios** continued to develop. Early variety almond harvest continued.

VEGETABLE CROPS

In Tulare County, **eggplants, peppers, sweet corn, yellow squash, zucchini,** and **tomatoes** continued to mature and be harvested. **Cucumber,** and zucchini harvests were ongoing in the Sacramento Valley. In Colusa, Sacramento, Solano, and Yolo counties, tomato harvest continued. **Brussel sprouts** and **squash** were progressing well in San Mateo County. In Fresno County, **onions, peppers,** and sweet corn continued to be harvested.

LIVESTOCK

Irrigated pasture was in good to excellent condition. Foothill rangeland and non-irrigated pasture was in fair to poor condition. Cattle and sheep grazed on retired cropland and harvested grain fields. Cattle supplemental feeding continued. Bees were active in squash and melon fields.

CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER -- WEEK ENDING 08/16/2020

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
	Average Week Ending 08/16/2020	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- 08/16/2020	January 1- 08/16/2020	October 1- 08/16/2020	Week Ending 08/16/2020	Oct 1- 08/16/2020	Oct 1- 08/16/2020	Oct 1- Sept 30
-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days 3/ --	-- Inches of Precipitation --				
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	61	2	79	50	28	0	96	0.00	29.78	39.74	40.53
Ukiah	82	9	107	54	1400	992	63	0.00	14.17	37.07	37.61
Santa Rosa	74	7	103	48	869	584	58	0.06	19.33	36.09	36.51
Napa State Hospital	74	8	99	51	755	434	49	0.05	9.50	20.18	20.52
Central Coast											
San Francisco	71	7	94	56	547	293	48	0.04	9.18	20.60	20.79
San Jose	77	6	98	58	1167	943	47	0.01	7.24	14.79	15.02
Salinas	73	9	96	60	630	248	44	0.00	9.19	12.73	12.91
Monterey	73	12	91	60	494	63	67	0.01	18.69	16.01	16.23
Paso Robles	79	6	113	52	1248	1052	47	0.10	11.47	12.58	12.87
Sacramento Valley											
Redding	87	7	110	66	2193	1788	65	0.02	23.68	34.05	34.80
Red Bluff	87	7	109	64	2242	1773	47	0.00	11.44	24.05	24.63
Willows	83	6	108	60	2033	1549	34	0.00	8.15	23.15	23.67
Oroville	87	9	109	64	2212	1650	46	0.00	13.44	31.04	31.72
Marysville	84	8	109	58	1862	1488	48	0.01	9.93	22.36	22.88
Sacramento	84	9	108	58	1731	1363	42	0.00	10.08	21.00	21.35
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	86	10	112	62	1919	1418	42	0.00	8.36	13.84	14.14
Modesto	86	8	111	62	2011	1738	39	0.00	6.56	12.92	13.19
Merced Macready	86	9	110	62	1931	1519	38	0.00	9.56	12.29	12.59
Madera	85	8	110	60	1847	1603	35	0.00	6.02	11.83	12.10
Fresno	89	7	111	71	2445	2035	39	0.00	7.64	11.39	11.57
Lemoore	86	8	117	63	2029	1625	38	0.01	7.02	7.76	7.95
Visalia	83	4	105	65	2144	1782	31	0.00	8.69	10.83	10.99
Bakersfield	90	7	107	74	2491	2109	35	0.00	7.21	6.41	6.51
Cascade Sierra											
Alturas	70	5	98	41	540	349	68	0.00	8.63	13.52	14.22
Mount Shasta	74	7	97	51	774	456	72	0.00	21.71	42.63	43.48
Blue Canyon	76	7	89	64	786	543	78	0.00	38.73	63.79	65.00
Yosemite Valley	80	7	105	63	1376	852	41	0.00	16.07	36.27	36.97
South Coast											
Santa Maria	70	6	93	53	518	209	46	0.05	10.68	13.90	14.05
Santa Barbara	68	2	84	52	599	384	35	0.00	11.58	17.56	17.89
Oxnard	67	1	80	59	538	424	34	0.00	11.68	14.51	14.71
Riverside	85	5	108	60	1963	1650	30	0.00	10.76	12.25	12.50
Los Angeles	73	3	102	60	1186	746	36	0.00	13.15	12.68	12.92
San Diego	74	2	87	64	1363	927	49	0.00	13.62	10.26	10.42
Southeast Interior											
Bishop	81	5	106	55	1664	1296	20	0.00	2.25	4.96	5.21
Daggett	93	5	114	70	2954	2682	19	0.00	5.88	3.77	4.08
Lancaster	86	5	110	58	1990	1858	30	0.00	10.67	7.23	7.43
Thermal	98	8	119	69	3798	3271	18	0.00	5.20	2.88	3.22
Blythe	101	7	118	74	3960	3662	21	0.00	5.04	3.19	3.85
Imperial	98	5	117	70	3689	3435	13	0.00	2.06	2.91	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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