



California Crop Weather

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WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from the high 70s to low 100s in the mountains, high 70s to low 110s in the valley, high 70s to mid 110s along the coast, and mid 80s to high 110s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from the mid 40s to low 60s along the coast, high 30s to high 70s in the mountains, high 30s to mid 80s in the valley, and low 50s to mid 90s in the desert.

FIELD CROPS

Fires continued to burn throughout the state resulting in poor air quality as smoke and haze permeated the air. In Tulare County, harvested fields were being disked and planted for silage or other forage crops. Silage **corn** was in various stages of maturity. **Alfalfa** was maturing and harvesting continued. **Cotton** bolls continued to develop. In the Sacramento Valley, fall ground work continued with discing, chiseling, and land leveling. Rice harvest was just beginning. **Sunflower** harvest began in some fields. Alfalfa harvest continued in Fresno County with normal drying conditions.

FRUIT CROPS

Table **grape** varieties and wine grapes were harvested. **Persimmon**, **kiwi**, and **pomegranate** growth progressed steadily. **Nectarines**, **apricots**, **peaches**, **plums**, **lemons**, **limes**, **grapefruit**, and various **orange** varieties were harvested and packed for shipment. **Olive** orchards were being pruned where necessary. **Blueberry** harvest continued.

NUT CROPS

Almond harvest was steady. **Walnuts** and **pistachios** continued to mature.

VEGETABLE CROPS

Tulare County reported certified producers grew **cucumbers**, **squash**, **tomatoes**, **bell peppers**, **eggplant**, and **jalapenos** for local Farmers' markets and roadside stands. In Colusa, Sacramento, Solano and Yolo counties, processing tomato harvest continued. In Monterey County, ashes from the Salinas River fire continued to pose a problem for crops. In addition, iceberg lettuce supplies decreased, due to the lack of harvestable supplies. Romaine Lettuce supplies were limited due to heat damage.

LIVESTOCK

Irrigated pasture was in good to excellent condition. Foothill rangeland and non-irrigated pasture was in fair to poor condition. Record setting wildland fires continued to burn across the state, consuming some foothill range and forcing livestock evacuations in several locations. Cattle and sheep grazed on retired cropland and harvested grain fields. Cattle supplemental feeding continued. The excessive heat stressed cattle and negatively impacted milk production.

CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER -- WEEK ENDING 09/06/2020

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
	Average Week Ending 09/06/2020	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- 09/06/2020	January 1- 09/06/2020	October 1- 09/06/2020	Week Ending 09/06/2020	Oct 1- 09/06/2020	Oct 1- 09/06/2020	Oct 1- Sept 30
-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days 3/ --	-- Inches of Precipitation --				
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	59	1	73	46	39	0	98	0.02	29.80	40.03	40.53
Ukiah	77	6	112	53	1777	1244	64	0.00	14.25	37.20	37.61
Santa Rosa	71	4	111	51	1107	752	59	0.00	19.36	36.19	36.51
Napa State Hospital	71	5	109	51	997	576	49	0.00	9.50	20.22	20.52
Central Coast											
San Francisco	69	4	102	56	707	400	49	0.00	9.19	20.64	20.79
San Jose	72	2	104	57	1459	1174	47	0.00	7.24	14.81	15.02
Salinas	69	4	103	56	803	351	44	0.00	9.19	12.75	12.91
Monterey	69	7	89	59	674	112	67	0.00	18.69	16.04	16.23
Paso Robles	79	7	116	51	1657	1322	47	0.00	11.47	12.66	12.87
Sacramento Valley											
Redding	85	8	111	62	2702	2175	66	0.00	23.71	34.26	34.80
Red Bluff	85	8	113	64	2746	2157	47	0.00	11.44	24.19	24.63
Willows	81	6	108	60	2484	1884	34	0.00	8.15	23.29	23.67
Oroville	82	6	108	64	2704	2007	46	0.00	13.44	31.16	31.72
Marysville	80	6	109	60	2296	1808	49	0.00	10.03	22.45	22.88
Sacramento	78	4	107	58	2139	1671	42	0.00	10.08	21.10	21.35
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	79	5	110	58	2384	1741	42	0.00	8.36	13.87	14.14
Modesto	79	3	105	59	2473	2103	39	0.00	6.56	12.94	13.19
Merced Macready	80	6	107	60	2390	1848	38	0.00	9.56	12.32	12.59
Madera	80	5	107	58	2300	1946	35	0.00	6.02	11.87	12.10
Fresno	85	6	105	67	3011	2468	39	0.00	7.64	11.41	11.57
Lemoore	78	3	107	3	2547	1970	38	0.00	7.02	7.78	7.95
Visalia	81	5	102	63	2646	2159	31	0.00	8.69	10.85	10.99
Bakersfield	85	5	104	69	3074	2556	35	0.00	7.21	6.44	6.51
Cascade Sierra											
Alturas	70	10	102	39	716	401	70	0.00	8.75	13.79	14.22
Mount Shasta	73	10	99	50	1021	564	74	0.00	21.81	42.91	43.48
Blue Canyon	77	10	91	63	1109	713	78	0.00	38.73	64.05	65.00
Yosemite Valley	76	6	99	55	1747	1095	42	0.00	16.12	36.38	36.97
South Coast											
Santa Maria	68	4	103	54	687	293	46	0.00	10.68	13.92	14.05
Santa Barbara	69	3	93	54	819	512	35	0.00	11.58	17.65	17.89
Oxnard	67	1	83	57	743	550	35	0.00	11.69	14.55	14.71
Riverside	83	5	117	60	2492	2059	30	0.00	10.76	12.26	12.50
Los Angeles	72	2	98	63	1460	956	36	0.00	13.15	12.72	12.92
San Diego	76	4	97	68	1713	1179	49	0.00	13.62	10.28	10.42
Southeast Interior											
Bishop	80	9	107	53	2101	1578	20	0.00	2.25	5.04	5.21
Daggett	92	8	114	67	3657	3230	20	0.00	5.89	3.91	4.08
Lancaster	84	6	110	56	2530	2268	30	0.00	10.67	7.30	7.43
Thermal	92	4	116	70	4570	3881	18	0.00	5.20	3.02	3.22
Blythe	97	6	117	83	4775	4348	21	0.00	5.04	3.52	3.85
Imperial	97	7	119	78	4484	4105	13	0.00	2.06	3.21	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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