



California Crop Weather

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WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from the low 60s to mid 80s in the mountains, mid 60s to mid 90s in the valley, high 60s to high 90s along the coast, and low 70s to mid 100s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from the low 20s to mid 50s in the mountains, low 40s to mid 50s along the coast, low mid 40s to low 70s in the valley, and low 40s to low 80s in the desert.

FIELD CROPS

Cooler weather aided in suppressing the wildfires and an improvement in air quality was seen. In Tulare County, harvested fields were being disked and prepared for winter silage or other forage crops. Silage **corn** was in various stages of maturity. **Alfalfa** was being cut and baled. Dry **beans** continued to be harvested. **Cotton** bolls were developing. In the Sacramento Valley, fall ground work continued and was winding down. **Rice** harvest continued at a normal pace, and is expected to be completed around the end of the month. Corn and **sunflower** harvests continued.

FRUIT CROPS

Some stone fruit orchards were pruned and topped. **Persimmon**, **kiwifruit**, and **pomegranate** development continued. Various table and wine **grape** varieties were harvested. Some adverse effects of fires and smoke on numerous wine grape varieties remained. **Nectarine**, **peach**, **plum**, **apricot**, **lemon**, **lime**, and Valencia **orange** harvests steadily continued. **Olives** and **Asian pears** were harvested.

NUT CROPS

Gypsum was applied in various orchards. **Almond**, **walnut**, and **pistachio** harvests were ongoing.

VEGETABLE CROPS

In Tulare County, summer vegetables continued to grow and fields were prepped for harvest. **Eggplants**, **peppers**, **sweet corn**, and **tomatoes** continued to mature and be harvested. Early planted **melons** were being picked and shipped domestically. In Yolo County, vegetable crop fields were being disked.

LIVESTOCK

Irrigated pasture was in good condition. Foothill rangeland and non-irrigated pasture was in poor condition. Sheep grazed on retired cropland and harvested grain fields. Cattle supplemental feeding continued. Some bees were moved into the state for overwintering.

CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER – WEEK ENDING 10/11/2020

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
	Average Week Ending 10/11/2020	Departure from Normal 2/	High	Low	This Year	Normal Year 2/	This Season	This Week	This Season	Normal Season 2/	Normal Year 2/
					January 1-10/11/2020	January 1-10/11/2020	October 1-10/11/2020	Week Ending 10/11/2020	Oct 1-10/11/2020	Oct 1-10/11/2020	Oct 1- Sept 30
-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days 3/ --	-- Inches of Precipitation --				
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	56	1	66	46	104	0	2	0.60	0.61	0.45	40.53
Ukiah	66	3	96	43	2169	1485	0	0.00	0.00	0.20	37.61
Santa Rosa	63	0	91	41	1420	945	0	0.00	0.00	0.35	36.51
Napa State Hospital	63	3	86	43	1307	698	0	0.00	0.00	0.20	20.52
Central Coast											
San Francisco	63	0	76	52	988	559	0	0.00	0.00	0.18	20.79
San Jose	67	1	86	57	1872	1474	0	0.00	0.00	0.19	15.02
Salinas	64	2	80	49	1032	495	1	0.01	0.01	0.14	12.91
Monterey	61	2	73	48	919	148	0	0.00	0.00	0.19	16.23
Paso Robles	69	5	98	45	2150	1601	0	0.00	0.00	0.14	12.87
Sacramento Valley											
Redding	68	1	95	47	3243	2600	0	0.00	0.00	0.41	34.80
Red Bluff	69	1	96	49	3309	2602	0	0.00	0.00	0.26	24.63
Willows	69	0	92	48	3013	2319	0	0.00	0.00	0.25	23.67
Oroville	71	4	95	51	3264	2397	0	0.00	0.00	0.21	31.72
Marysville	69	3	95	46	2780	2156	0	0.00	0.00	0.23	22.88
Sacramento	69	3	95	49	2635	2015	0	0.00	0.00	0.14	21.35
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	70	3	97	51	2945	2117	0	0.00	0.00	0.17	14.14
Modesto	69	0	92	54	3010	2545	0	0.00	0.00	0.16	13.19
Merced Macready	69	3	94	51	2906	2209	0	0.00	0.00	0.12	12.59
Madera	69	2	94	50	2794	2335	0	0.00	0.00	0.12	12.10
Fresno	73	4	94	56	3646	2968	0	0.00	0.00	0.13	11.57
Lemoore	70	3	94	52	3095	2360	0	0.00	0.00	0.15	7.95
Visalia	74	6	91	52	3223	2594	0	0.00	0.00	0.14	10.99
Bakersfield	74	4	93	58	3727	3086	0	0.00	0.00	0.06	6.51
Cascade Sierra											
Alturas	51	2	86	23	743	401	1	0.14	0.14	0.23	14.22
Mount Shasta	57	3	85	36	1151	585	1	0.01	0.01	0.43	43.48
Blue Canyon	63	6	78	47	1401	800	0	0.00	0.00	0.85	65.00
Yosemite Valley	64	4	87	45	2014	1260	0	0.00	0.00	0.43	36.97
South Coast											
Santa Maria	64	2	86	52	919	407	0	0.00	0.00	0.12	14.05
Santa Barbara	65	2	79	55	1062	675	0	0.00	0.00	0.20	17.89
Oxnard	66	3	77	54	967	727	0	0.00	0.00	0.17	14.71
Riverside	74	4	97	58	3164	2570	0	0.00	0.00	0.04	12.50
Los Angeles	70	3	84	61	1860	1259	0	0.00	0.00	0.15	12.92
San Diego	72	4	86	65	2213	1532	0	0.00	0.00	0.14	10.42
Southeast Interior											
Bishop	65	5	91	40	2439	1761	0	0.00	0.00	0.10	5.21
Daggett	78	7	99	61	4420	3842	0	0.00	0.00	0.06	4.08
Lancaster	72	7	96	47	3040	2658	0	0.00	0.00	0.10	7.43
Thermal	83	7	106	61	5460	4630	0	0.00	0.00	0.08	3.22
Blythe	82	4	105	62	5750	5184	0	0.00	0.00	0.08	3.85
Imperial	83	6	106	65	5419	4919	0	0.00	0.00	0.13	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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