

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 13, 2016

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Harvesting continued on two-thirds of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Cotton defoliated was at 75 percent complete by week's end, just ahead of the previous year at 72 percent and ahead of the 5 year average at 61 percent. Cotton harvest was 58 percent complete, behind last year at 61 percent but ahead the 5 year average at 55 percent. Cotton condition was rated mostly good to excellent last week. Last week, central Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cantaloupes, cauliflower, cilantro, honeydews, kale greens, Swiss chard, and parsley. In western Arizona, growers shipped anise, arugula, broccoli, cantaloupes, cilantro, honeydews, kale greens, Boston lettuce, iceberg lettuce, green leaf lettuce, processed lettuce, romaine lettuce, red leaf lettuce, melons, and spinach. Rangeland conditions varied widely depending on location but were rated mostly good to fair. No precipitation was reported in the State during the week. San Simon year to date precipitation at 10.33 inches is the highest percent of normal in the State at 115 percent. The driest, at 40 percent of normal, was experienced at Coolidge. The highest temperature during the week was 94 degrees reported at Yuma. The lowest temperature during the week was 18 degrees at Springerville.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cotton				
Defoliated.....	75	65	72	61
Harvested.....	58	48	61	55

NA – not available
 (--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	7.0	7.0	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	2	2	1	NA
Short.....	28	27	11	NA
Adequate.....	66	67	78	NA
Surplus.....	4	4	10	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	14	14	1	NA
Short.....	12	12	8	NA
Adequate.....	72	72	83	NA
Surplus.....	2	2	8	NA

NA – not available
 (--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	3	4	5	4
Poor	1	1	1	6
Fair	23	23	19	25
Good.....	43	42	43	43
Excellent	30	30	32	22
Cotton				
Very poor	7	6	5	NA
Poor.....	2	2	7	NA
Fair	14	14	25	NA
Good.....	49	50	35	NA
Excellent	28	28	28	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor	10	10	8	25
Poor.....	13	13	8	16
Fair	33	32	36	29
Good.....	36	37	43	27
Excellent	8	8	5	3

NA – not available

(--) – zero

Arizona's weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2016/AZ_Weather_11132016.pdf