

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 7, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, cotton planting was 29 percent complete and 5 percent has emerged, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Ninety-eight percent of barley has emerged, and 56 percent has headed compared with 49 percent last year. Barley conditions were rated mostly good. Forty-three percent of Durum wheat has headed, the same percentage reported last year. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly good. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to fair, depending on location last week with harvesting taking place on more than three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. For the entire State, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly good to fair. In the North Central part of the State, new forage growth is beginning, but more precipitation will be needed to sustain any significant forage production. Significant amounts of forage are growing in the Northwestern part of the State, but Spring winds are already depleting soil moisture. In the Southwestern part of the State there is some green up in perennial grasses at the plant bases.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Emerged.....	98	94	NA	NA
Headed.....	56	39	49	NA
Cotton				
Planted.....	29	26	25	29
Emerged.....	5	NA	NA	NA
Durum wheat				
Headed.....	43	25	43	NA

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	--	6	4
Short.....	10	6	15	24
Adequate	82	84	79	65
Surplus	8	10	--	7
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	5	8
Short.....	10	6	16	17
Adequate	84	86	79	71
Surplus	6	8	--	4

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	--	--	--	3
Poor.....	3	5	4	3
Fair.....	23	24	15	20
Good	63	57	45	41
Excellent	11	14	36	33
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	4	2
Fair.....	22	16	37	32
Good	74	75	45	49
Excellent	3	8	14	16
Durum wheat				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	2	5	1
Fair.....	6	15	25	11
Good	86	78	44	55
Excellent	7	5	26	33
Pasture and range				
Very poor	5	3	35	16
Poor.....	12	7	44	23
Fair.....	22	28	14	29
Good	57	56	7	28
Excellent	4	6	--	4

NA – not available

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