

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 20, 2019

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By the end of the week, 65 percent of the cotton crop had been defoliated compared to 60 percent last year, and 28 percent had been harvested compared with 29 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Cotton conditions were rated mostly fair to good. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to fair, depending on location last week with harvest taking place on almost three-fourths of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Pasture and range conditions were mostly rated poor to very poor. In the north central and northwestern part of the State, very poor soil conditions have affected forage growth.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cotton				
Defoliated .....	65	55	60	53
Harvested .....	28	22	29	29

NA – not available  
 (--) – zero

### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork .....	7.0	7.0	5.6	6.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	1	--	1
Short.....	20	20	4	19
Adequate .....	80	79	79	73
Surplus .....	--	--	17	7
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	1	--	5
Short.....	19	20	4	15
Adequate .....	81	79	80	75
Surplus .....	--	--	16	5

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 .....	--	--	2	4
Poor.....	8	6	6	4
Fair.....	26	20	13	18
Good .....	56	55	48	42
Excellent .....	10	19	31	32
Cotton				
Very poor .....	--	--	3	3
Poor.....	13	12	8	4
Fair.....	43	39	24	17
Good .....	40	41	51	48
Excellent .....	4	8	14	28
Pasture and range				
Very poor .....	22	20	26	12
Poor.....	45	43	32	16
Fair.....	16	22	20	31
Good .....	17	15	17	35
Excellent .....	--	--	5	6

NA – not available

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