

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MARCH 22, 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of this week, 95 percent of Durum wheat has been planted, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Ninety-three percent has emerged, and 29 percent has headed compared with 13 percent last year. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly excellent to good. Ninety percent of barley has been planted compared with 94 percent last year, 88 percent has emerged compared with 87 percent last year, and 43 percent has headed compared with 19 percent last year. Barley conditions were rated mostly good to excellent. Twelve percent of cotton has been planted compared with 23 percent last year. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly excellent to good depending on location last week, with harvesting taking place on three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. For the entire State, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly fair to good. In the north central part of the State, adequate soil moisture is helping to improve forage growth, but some areas are still dry. In the northwestern part of the State, rains were reported and are helping to improve pasture and range conditions. In the southeastern and south central part of the State, adequate soil moisture is improving forage growth and crop progress.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted	90	86	94	NA
Emerged	88	84	87	NA
Headed	43	37	19	NA
Cotton				
Planted	12	9	23	13
Durum wheat				
Planted	95	92	NA	NA
Emerged	93	91	NA	NA
Headed	29	25	13	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	5.2	6.0	7.0	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	--	--	--	1
Short	2	2	6	18
Adequate	89	98	88	73
Surplus	9	--	6	8
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	--	--	--	6
Short	3	2	6	10
Adequate	89	98	88	78
Surplus	8	--	6	6

NA – not available

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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
Poor.....	9	--	1	2
Fair.....	13	15	17	18
Good	36	41	66	50
Excellent	42	44	16	28
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	--	--	2	2
Fair.....	16	24	11	30
Good	54	48	84	52
Excellent	30	28	3	15
Durum wheat				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	1	1
Fair.....	3	2	6	9
Good	32	41	86	65
Excellent	65	57	7	25
Pasture and range				
Very poor	2	--	--	12
Poor.....	16	13	5	15
Fair.....	49	58	37	31
Good	28	28	54	36
Excellent	5	1	4	6

NA – not available

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