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California Crop Progress & Condition



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WEATHER

Temperature and precipitation information for California are not available this week.

FIELD CROPS

In Sacramento County, remaining rice fields were harvested. Fall groundwork was winding down. In the San Joaquin Valley, **corn**, **sudangrass**, and **alfalfa** fields continued to mature. **Cotton** harvest and ginning progressed. In Tulare County, corn fields that have been harvested were fertilized and tilled for winter wheat planting. Cotton harvest continued, and remaining fields were defoliated. Black-eyed **bean** harvest neared completion. Some alfalfa fields were cut for hay and others were greenchopped for local dairies. **Potatoes** continued to develop.

FRUIT CROPS

The stone fruit harvest was complete except for plums. Persimmon harvest continued. Pineapple quince were picked. Pomegranate, kiwi, and fig harvests continued. Most pear harvest was winding down except for Asian pears, which were in full swing. Peach and apricot orchards were topped and pruned. Late variety table grape harvest continued, while some that were left on the vine were picked for juice. Raisin grapes were rolled and dried. District 3 lemon harvest continued. The Desert Rio grapefruit and pomelo harvest continued in Riverside County and the San Joaquin Valley. Navel oranges gained good color and tested for high brix levels. Harvest continued in some areas, as growers in other areas prepared for harvest. Growers sprayed copper, lime, and zinc before possible rainfall. Olive harvest slowed and was complete in some areas. Raspberry, blackberry, and strawberry harvests continued along the Central Coast.

NUT CROPS

Almond harvest neared completion and orchards were prepped for winter. **Pistachio**, **walnut**, and **pecan** harvests continued. Almonds, walnuts, and pistachios were sprayed with herbicides and insecticides.

VEGETABLE CROPS

Across California, pumpkin harvest was complete. In the Sacramento Valley, organic tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, and squash were harvested. In the San Joaquin Valley, broccoli, cantaloupe, honeydew, and squash harvests continued. Watermelon harvest was complete. In the Central Valley, melons, sweet corn, eggplant, peppers, pumpkins, squash, tomatoes, beans, garlic, carrots, bell peppers, and onions were harvested and sold at local stands. Harvested fields were tarped to treat for nematodes before planting next spring. Along the Central Coast, broccoli, brussels sprouts, cauliflower, celery, kale, garlic, squash, and lettuce continued to be harvested. In the Imperial Valley, bell peppers, cantaloupe, and chili peppers were harvested.

LIVESTOCK

Rangeland and non-irrigated pasture remained in poor to fair condition despite the recent precipitation across much of the state. Irrigated pasture was reported to be in good condition. Preparations began to bring cattle down from higher elevation range. Fall calving and lambing season was underway. Sheep grazed retired cropland and harvested vegetable fields. Bees were moved into the state to overwinter before the almond bloom.

CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER – WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 3, 2024											
	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE DAYS AT 50 °F BASE		RAIN DAYS ¹	PRECIPITATION ²			
STATIONS	Average	Denember			This Year	Normal Year ³	This Season	This Week	This Season	Normal Season ³	Normal Year ³
	For Week fro	Departure from Normal ³	High	Low	Jan 1 - Nov 3, 2024	Jan 1 - Nov 3, 2024	Oct 1 - Nov 3, 2024	Week Ending Nov 3, 2024	Oct 1 - Nov 3, 2024	Oct 1 - Nov 3, 2024	Oct 1 - Sept 30
	Degrees Fahrenheit		Number		Days	Inches of Precipitation			-		
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	40.61
Ukiah	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	35.07
Santa Rosa	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	34.00
Napa State Hospital	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	20.36
Central Coast	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
San Francisco	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	19.77
San Jose	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	13.58
Salinas	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	12.66
Monterey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	16.36
Paso Robles	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	12.24
Sacramento Valley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	00.70
Redding	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	33.70
Red Bluff	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	23.25
Orland	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	21.52
Oroville	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	25.84 20.21
Marysville Sacramento	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	
San Joaquin Valley	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	18.10
Stockton	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	13.53
Modesto	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA NA	NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA	NA	12.34
Merced	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA NA	NA	NA	NA NA	NA	NA	11.87
Madera	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	10.86
Fresno	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	11.05
Lemoore	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	7.23
Visalia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	10.37
Bakersfield	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	6.40
Cascade Sierra	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	00
Alturas	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	11.72
Mount Shasta	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	37.86
Blue Canyon	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	62.80
Yosemite Valley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	40.65
South Coast	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Santa Maria	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	13.42
Santa Barbara	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	17.38
Oxnard	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	13.05
Riverside	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	9.48
Los Angeles	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	12.33
San Diego	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	9.87
Southeast Interior	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Bishop	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	4.87
Daggett	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.80
Lancaster	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	6.86
Thermal	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.98
Blythe	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.58
Imperial	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.39

¹ Total number of days with precipitation events this season.

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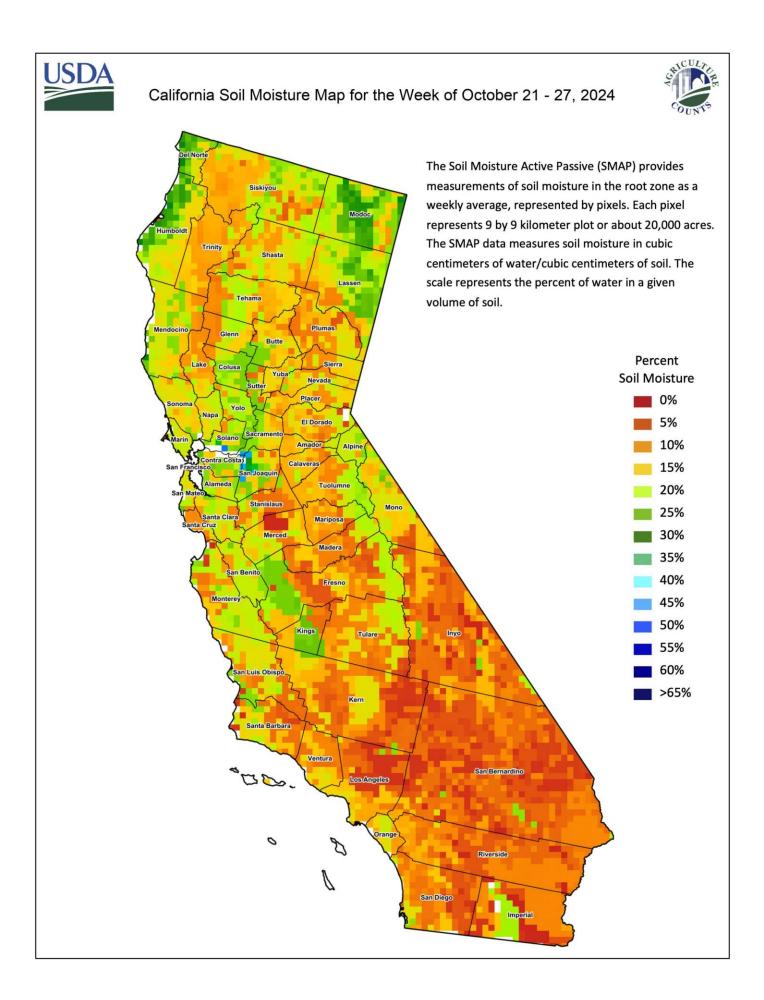
Reservoir Data from the California Department of Water Resources

			Nov 3, 2024	This Date Last Year		
Reservoir	Capacity	Storage	Percent of Capacity	Percent of Average	Storage	Percent of Capacity
	Acre Feet	Acre Feet	Percent	Percent	Acre Feet	Percent
Shasta Lake	4,547,300	2,577,448	57	106	3,135,498	69
Lake Oroville	3,537,400	1,703,931	48	95	2,414,126	68
Trinity Lake	2,443,800	1,613,039	66	114	1,218,568	50
New Melones Reservoir	2,413,000	1,795,979	75	140	1,893,669	79
San Luis Reservoir	2,057,200	1,055,815	52	114	1,313,144	64
Don Pedro Reservoir	2,030,000	1,412,385	70	106	1,640,178	81

Source: cdec.water.ca.gov/reportapp/javareports?name=DLYHYDRO

² Rain or melted snow/ice.

³ Normal periods 1990-2020 used in departure from normal calculations. (NA) Not available at time of publication.



Drought Conditions from the U.S. Drought Monitor as of 10/29/2024

Time		Drought Severity					
	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4	(DSCI)
Current	25.37	62.37	7.96	4.30	0.00	0.00	91
Last Week	24.68	61.28	9.74	4.30	0.00	0.00	94
3 Months Ago	78.78	16.77	4.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	26
One Year Ago	94.34	5.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6

The U.S. Drought Monitor is jointly produced by the National Drought Mitigation Center at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the United States Department of Agriculture, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. droughtmonitor.unl.edu/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?CA