

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 25, 2021

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By the end of the week, 84 percent has reached the setting bolls stage compared to 86 percent last year and 15 percent has reached the bolls opening stage compared to 15 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Cotton conditions were rated mostly good to excellent. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly excellent to good depending on location last week, with harvesting taking place on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the state. For the entire state, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly very poor. Exceptional drought covers 35 percent of the state compared to 59 percent last week, according to the United States Drought Monitor, and continues to affect pasture and range conditions and forage growth. In the north central and northwestern part of the state, monsoon rains have been filling stock tanks and bringing some forage growth and soil moisture improvement. In the south central and southeastern part of the state, monsoon rains have helped improve crop and forage growth conditions. Some flooding was reported in the south-central part of the state.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton				
Setting Bolls.....	84	72	86	70
Bolls Opening.....	15	5	15	10

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 .....	5.9	6.1	6.5	6.9
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	--	16	4
Short.....	2	5	5	15
Adequate .....	80	86	78	78
Surplus .....	18	9	1	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	16	7
Short.....	1	4	3	10
Adequate .....	82	88	81	82
Surplus .....	17	8	--	1

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.....	9	2	7	7
Fair.....	17	11	11	18
Good .....	22	31	38	43
Excellent .....	52	56	44	29
Cotton				
Very poor .....	1	1	--	1
Poor.....	5	3	--	3
Fair.....	14	19	8	22
Good .....	51	57	66	54
Excellent .....	29	20	26	20
Pasture and range				
Very poor .....	69	78	5	21
Poor.....	13	10	27	24
Fair.....	9	9	48	32
Good .....	3	3	20	21
Excellent .....	6	--	--	2

NA – not available

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