

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 10, 2021

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Sixty-nine percent of the cotton crop had been defoliated compared to 59 percent last year, and 28 percent had been harvested compared with 22 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Eighty-three percent of the cotton crop was rated good to excellent. Eighty-seven percent of the alfalfa crop was rated excellent to good depending on location last week, with harvesting taking place on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the state. Sixty-one percent of the pasture and range was rated good to excellent. According to the United States Drought Monitor as of October 10, 2021, severe to exceptional drought covers 40.02 percent of the state. Hail damage to the cotton crop was reported in the southeastern part of the state. In the south-central part of the state, the growing season has ended but grass is still plentiful, and pasture and range have been generally in good condition. Rainfall was reported in the north central and eastern part of the state. Lower temperatures were concentrated in the northeastern part of the state.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton				
Defoliated .....	69	58	59	47
Harvested .....	28	19	22	23

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 .....	6.9	6.7	7.0	6.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	--	20	5
Short.....	14	11	14	18
Adequate .....	86	89	66	75
Surplus .....	--	--	--	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	20	7
Short.....	14	11	14	14
Adequate .....	86	89	66	77
Surplus .....	--	--	--	2

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 .....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	--	3
Fair.....	12	12	6	16
Good .....	26	27	43	45
Excellent .....	61	60	51	35
Cotton				
Very poor .....	1	--	--	2
Poor.....	5	5	--	6
Fair.....	11	11	6	19
Good .....	48	48	56	53
Excellent .....	35	36	38	20
Pasture and range				
Very poor .....	4	1	5	14
Poor.....	10	4	24	26
Fair.....	25	34	51	31
Good .....	36	45	20	25
Excellent .....	25	16	--	4

NA – not available

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