



# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MARCH 13, 2022

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By March 13, producers had seeded 92 percent of the barley crop, 86 percent had emerged compared with 90 percent last year, and 32 percent had headed compared with 36 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Ninety-nine percent of the Durum wheat crop had emerged compared with 96 percent last year, and 14 percent had headed compared with 15 percent last year. Producers had planted 2 percent of the cotton crop compared with 3 percent last year. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly excellent to good, depending on location last month, with harvest taking place on more than three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the state. For the entire state, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly poor. In the northeastern part of the state, alfalfa and sweet corn farmers have begun fieldwork in preparation to start planting season. In the south-central part of the state, forage growth improvement was reported. By March 8, 2022, moderate dryness was reported in 75 percent of the state based on the U.S. Drought Monitor's indications. Some extreme dryness was noted in the northeastern and northwestern part of the state. Some rain was received in the north central part of the state. Lower temperatures were reported in the north central and northeastern part of the state with temperatures below 35 degrees Fahrenheit.

### CROP PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted .....	92	90	NA	NA
Emerged.....	86	75	90	NA
Headed.....	32	9	36	23
Cotton				
Planted .....	2	1	3	9
Durum wheat				
Emerged.....	99	70	96	NA
Headed.....	14	3	15	12

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.....	7.0	6.7	7.0	6.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	17	26	2	1
Short .....	12	11	34	16
Adequate .....	71	63	64	77
Surplus .....	--	--	--	6
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	14	23	3	4
Short .....	6	6	23	11
Adequate .....	80	71	74	81
Surplus .....	--	--	--	4

NA – not available

(--) – zero

# CROP, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	1	2
Fair.....	6	10	16	18
Good.....	33	37	35	52
Excellent.....	61	53	48	28
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	5	--	1
Fair.....	2	11	27	25
Good.....	58	53	61	61
Excellent.....	40	31	12	13
Durum wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	2	--	--
Fair.....	1	4	4	6
Good.....	23	25	76	72
Excellent.....	76	69	20	22
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	3	8	75	21
Poor.....	73	75	14	17
Fair.....	11	7	5	31
Good.....	13	10	6	27
Excellent.....	--	--	--	4

NA – not available

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