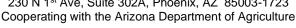


ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS

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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. 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						
Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average			
(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)			
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92	90	NA	NA			
86	75	90	NA			
32	9	36	23			
2	1	3	9			
99	70	96	NA			
14	3	15	12			
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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

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CROP, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION					
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Alfalfa hay	u /			u ,	
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 (--) – zero