



ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MARCH 20, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By March 20, producers had seeded 95 percent of the barley crop, 88 percent had emerged compared with 94 percent last year, and 49 percent had headed compared with 44 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Thirty-four percent of the Durum wheat crop had headed compared with 20 percent last year. Producers had planted 4 percent of the cotton crop compared with 9 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. By March 15, 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, affecting pasture and range conditions. Lower temperatures were reported in the north central and northeastern part of the state, with temperatures below 50 degrees Fahrenheit.

CROP PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Planted	95	92	NA	NA
Emerged.....	88	86	94	NA
Headed.....	49	32	44	29
Cotton				
Planted	4	2	9	14
Durum wheat				
Headed.....	34	14	20	18

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.....	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	13	17	4	1
Short	10	12	25	12
Adequate	77	71	71	79
Surplus	--	--	--	8
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	12	14	2	3
Short	5	6	15	8
Adequate	83	80	83	83
Surplus	--	--	--	6

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.....	1	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	1	3
Fair.....	7	6	13	18
Good.....	31	33	36	49
Excellent.....	61	61	50	30
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	3	--	--	1
Fair.....	9	2	18	20
Good.....	50	58	62	63
Excellent.....	38	40	20	16
Durum wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	2	--	--	--
Fair.....	4	1	4	7
Good.....	27	23	67	66
Excellent.....	67	76	29	27
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	6	3	73	22
Poor.....	70	73	15	17
Fair.....	12	11	6	28
Good.....	11	13	6	28
Excellent.....	1	--	--	5

NA – not available

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