



# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 17, 2022

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By April 17, 88 percent of the barley crop had headed, equal to last year at this time, and 20 percent of the barley crop had matured, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Eighty-one percent of the Durum wheat crop had headed compared with 83 percent last year, and 18 percent had matured. Producers had planted 28 percent of the cotton crop compared with 42 percent last year, and 10 percent had emerged. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly excellent to good, depending on location last week, with harvest taking place on more than three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Across Arizona, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly poor to fair. By April 12, 2022, moderate dryness remained over 86 percent of the State based on the U.S. Drought Monitor's indications. Farmers were cultivating fields and preparing for spring planting where it had not already begun. Freezing temperatures were reported last week in the northwest part of the State causing some damage to hay crops.

### CROP PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Headed.....	88	84	88	79
Mature .....	20	10	27	NA
Cotton				
Planted .....	28	17	42	40
Emerged.....	10	4	14	13
Durum wheat				
Headed.....	81	77	83	73
Mature .....	18	7	11	NA

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	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	16	19	2	2
Short .....	22	21	9	12
Adequate .....	62	60	89	81
Surplus .....	--	--	--	5
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	15	18	2	4
Short .....	17	20	9	9
Adequate .....	68	62	89	83
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.....	10	11	7	19
Good.....	32	37	32	45
Excellent.....	58	52	60	34
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	3	4	--	2
Fair.....	15	13	22	22
Good.....	48	53	50	57
Excellent.....	34	30	28	19
Durum wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	2	4	--	--
Fair.....	5	11	2	5
Good.....	27	25	38	56
Excellent.....	66	60	60	39
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	13	13	72	24
Poor.....	59	50	15	18
Fair.....	21	30	6	22
Good.....	7	7	7	32
Excellent.....	--	--	--	4

NA – not available

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