



ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS

United States Department of Agriculture
NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE
ARIZONA FIELD OFFICE
 230 N 1st Ave, Suite 302A, Phoenix, AZ 85003-1723
 Cooperating with the Arizona Department of Agriculture



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
 April 25, 2022

Contact: Dave DeWalt
 (800) 645-7286

CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 24, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By April 24, 94 percent of the barley crop had headed compared with 98 percent last year, and 28 percent of the barley crop had matured compared with 51 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Ninety-four percent of the Durum wheat crop had headed, equal to last year at this time, and 19 percent had matured compared with 37 percent last year. Producers had planted 51 percent of the cotton crop compared with 52 percent last year, and 25 percent had emerged compared with 30 percent last year. 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 very poor. By April 19, 2022, severe dryness remained over 59 percent of the State based on the U.S. Drought Monitor's indications. In the northeastern part of the State, strong winds affected range and forage growth, and farmers were cultivating new hay and alfalfa fields and preparing for spring planting where it had not already begun. Some precipitation was reported in the northwestern part of the State, but not enough to improve soil moisture conditions. Freezing temperatures were reported last week in the north central part of the State causing some crop, pasture, and range damage.

CROP PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Headed.....	94	88	98	89
Mature	28	20	51	NA
Cotton				
Planted	51	28	52	51
Emerged.....	25	10	30	27
Durum wheat				
Headed.....	94	81	94	84
Mature	19	18	37	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	21	16	9	4
Short	25	22	9	11
Adequate	54	62	82	80
Surplus	--	--	--	5
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	20	15	5	5
Short	17	17	10	9
Adequate	63	68	85	83
Surplus	--	--	--	3

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	10	14	19
Good.....	34	32	30	46
Excellent.....	56	58	55	33
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	5	3	1	2
Fair.....	18	15	18	20
Good.....	42	48	46	59
Excellent.....	35	34	35	19
Durum wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	2	2	--	1
Fair.....	4	5	7	9
Good.....	22	27	40	55
Excellent.....	72	66	53	35
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	22	13	72	27
Poor.....	62	59	16	17
Fair.....	14	21	6	20
Good.....	2	7	6	30
Excellent.....	--	--	--	6

NA – not available

(--) – zero