



ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 29, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By May 29, producers had planted 98 percent of the cotton crop, compared with 95 percent last year, 95 percent had emerged, compared with 86 percent last year, and 20 percent had squared, compared with 18 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Cotton conditions were rated mostly good to excellent. Ninety-four percent of the barley crop had matured, compared with 90 percent last year, and 52 percent has been harvested, compared with 42 percent last year. Barley conditions were rated mostly good to excellent. Ninety percent of the Durum wheat crop had matured, compared with 77 percent last year, and 26 percent has been harvested, compared with 22 percent last year. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly excellent to good. 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 May 24, 2022, severe dryness remained over 77 percent of the State based on the U.S. Drought Monitor's indications. In the northeastern part of the State, severe drought has affected forage growth, pasture conditions, and range conditions. Farmers have started harvesting grass hay and are getting ready for alfalfa harvesting season. Ranchers have been hauling feed and water for livestock, hauling livestock to feedlots, and due to continued drought, many are reducing their herds. In the southeastern part of the State, the cotton crop has improved, but soil moisture conditions have been affected due to high winds and temperatures. Ranchers in the southeastern part of the State were also hauling water and supplemental feed for livestock. No considerable precipitation was reported in the entire State during the past week. The lowest temperatures were reported in the north central part of the State, but they were still over 55 degrees Fahrenheit.

CROP PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Mature	94	77	90	NA
Harvested	52	41	42	42
Cotton				
Planted	98	94	95	97
Emerged	95	83	86	90
Squaring	20	3	18	17
Durum wheat				
Mature	90	81	77	73
Harvested	26	15	22	22

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	7.0	7.0	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	12	21	24	11
Short	28	19	1	8
Adequate	60	60	75	79
Surplus	--	--	--	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	15	19	24	11
Short	26	21	2	8
Adequate	59	60	74	77
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				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	--	--	--	2
Fair.....	5	5	18	17
Good	35	31	25	41
Excellent.....	60	64	57	39
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	3	--	NA
Fair.....	5	10	8	NA
Good	59	51	59	NA
Excellent.....	36	36	33	NA
Cotton				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	1
Fair.....	8	10	29	21
Good	74	65	53	65
Excellent.....	18	25	18	13
Durum wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	2	--	--
Fair.....	6	4	11	10
Good	36	27	37	49
Excellent.....	58	67	52	41
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	34	27	76	29
Poor.....	47	56	12	17
Fair.....	14	12	7	22
Good	5	5	5	28
Excellent.....	--	--	--	4

NA – not available

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