

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By September 4, 100 percent of the cotton crop had reached the setting bolls stage, compared with 100 percent last year, and 70 percent had reached the bolls opening stage, compared with 86 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. Alfalfa conditions were also rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week, with harvest taking place on more than three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Statewide, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly fair to good. Severe drought remained over 23 percent of the State, compared to 29 percent last week, based on the U.S. Drought Monitor's indications. Good growth in active crops was reported in the southeast part of the state. In some areas operators were assessing the damage from flooding sustained the week before from heavy rains.

### CROP PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cotton				
Setting bolls.....	100	97	100	100
Bolls opening.....	70	55	86	76

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	6.6	6.2	6.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	8	13	--	4
Short.....	2	2	6	10
Adequate .....	85	77	89	84
Surplus .....	5	8	5	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	10	13	--	4
Short.....	4	3	6	11
Adequate .....	85	79	89	84
Surplus .....	1	5	5	1

NA – not available  
 (--) – zero

**CROP, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION**

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
<b>Alfalfa hay</b>				
Very poor.....	5	9	--	--
Poor.....	6	4	10	7
Fair.....	10	8	14	19
Good.....	40	35	30	42
Excellent.....	39	44	46	32
<b>Cotton</b>				
Very poor.....	--	1	--	1
Poor.....	--	1	3	4
Fair.....	5	10	9	21
Good.....	49	48	53	52
Excellent.....	46	40	35	22
<b>Pasture and range</b>				
Very poor.....	--	1	5	16
Poor.....	8	11	8	24
Fair.....	43	45	46	31
Good.....	29	28	29	22
Excellent.....	20	15	12	7

NA – not available

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