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California Crop Weather



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WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from mid 50s to low 80s in the mountain region, low 60s to high 80s along the coast, mid 60s to low 90s in the valley, and low 70s to high 90s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from mid 20s to mid 40s in the mountain region, mid 30s to low 50s along the coast, low 40s to mid 50s in the valley, and mid 30s to mid 60s in the desert.

FIELD CROPS

Dry farmed grain was being cut in San Luis Obispo County. In Tulare County, **wheat** and **alfalfa** continued to mature. Silage crops were being cut. Spring silage continued to be planted.

FRUIT CROPS

Stone fruit orchard bloom was winding down and many orchards were leafing out. **Peach** fruit was forming. **Cherry** and early **plum** fruit were sizing well. **Apples** and **pears** were blooming. **Pomegranates** were leafing. **Grapes** began to show bud break and new shoot growth. Vineyards dry enough to permit equipment, were disked and treated with fungicide and insecticide. Citrus bloom was underway. **Mandarin** harvest was slowing. Groves were being topped and skirted. **Lemon** harvest continued. Seedless **tangerines** were tented to prevent cross pollination. **Olives** were growing nicely.

NUT CROPS

Almonds were sizing well. Walnuts were blooming. Pistachios planting continued.

VEGETABLE CROPS

In Imperial County, romaine **lettuce** and **spinach** harvest continued. Winter vegetables continue to be grown and harvested in Tulare County. In the Sacramento Valley, **asparagus** harvest continued. **Tomatoes** for processing continued to be planted.

LIVESTOCK

Warm temperatures promoted range development. Rangeland and non-irrigated pasture were in good condition. Bee hives were moved from stone fruit orchards to the foothills.

		CALIF	ORNIA (CROP W			NDING 04/2	21/2019			
	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
STATIONS	Average Week Ending 04/21/2019	Departure from Normal 2/	High	Low	This Year	Normal Year 2/	This Season	This Week	This Season	Normal Season 2/	Normal Year 2/
					January 1- 04/21/2019	January 1- 04/21/2019	July 1- 04/21/2019	Week Ending 04/21/2019	Oct 1- 04/21/2019	Oct 1- 04/21/2019	Oct 1- Sept 30
	Degrees Fahrenheit			Number		Days 3/	Inches of Precipitation				
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	52	1	61	42	2	0	91	0.25	39.07	35.91	40.53
Ukiah	59	3	89	41	21	0	79	0.15	40.30	34.32	37.61
Santa Rosa	59	3	82	42	13	0	73	0.19	43.67	33.76	36.51
Napa State Hospital	57	2	80	40	10	0	62	0.12	23.74	18.76	20.52
Central Coast											
San Francisco	57	0	78	47	14	0	69	0.03	21.34	19.58	20.79
San Jose	61	1	82	47	31	1	66	0.08	14.98	13.94	15.02
Salinas	59	2	84	44	25	0	61	0.06	12.33	12.00	12.91
Monterey	56	2	78	46	12	0	74	0.21	20.00	15.01	16.23
Paso Robles	60	3	88	38	25	0	51	0.10	14.10	12.03	12.87
Sacramento Valley	00	0	00	30	20	O	31	0.10	н.ю	2.00	2.07
Redding	63	4	85	44	42	0	76	0.24	39.34	30.48	34.80
Red Bluff		3				2					
	63		85	47	50		70	0.05	27.33	21.58	24.63
Willows	64	4	85	47	55	5	44	0.00	27.06	21.01	23.67
Oroville	63	3	83	45	44	4	70	0.22	30.20	28.67	31.72
M arysville	61	2	82	43	31	1	61	0.15	25.71	20.17	22.88
Sacramento	61	2	82	44	34	0	61	0.06	23.91	19.46	21.35
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	62	2	85	43	57	2	59	0.11	15.80	12.92	14.14
Modesto	64	2	86	46	67	31	55	0.03	12.08	11.84	13.19
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M adera	66	6	92	46	122	5	50	0.09	9.84	10.79	12.10
Fresno	66	4	89	50	129	29	51	0.25	9.49	10.43	11.57
Lemoore	62	1	87	42	69	8	47	0.17	6.33	7.22	7.95
Visalia	63	1	82	45	70	19	46	0.15	8.81	10.05	10.99
Bakersfield	67	4	91	48	153	40	47	0.04	5.96	5.97	6.51
Cascade Sierra											
Alturas	49	5	76	27	0	0	74	0.51	12.00	10.20	14.22
Mount Shasta	50	2	80	32	0	0	76	0.36	38.77	37.64	43.48
Blue Canyon	49	3	69	32	1	0	78	0.50	66.91	57.05	65.00
Yosemite Valley	54	3	75	36	2	0	57	0.68	32.03	32.50	36.97
South Coast											
Santa Maria	59	3	81	45	34	0	55	0.06	14.53	13.20	14.05
Santa Barbara	58	0	73	45	50	0	45	0.02	19.96	16.73	17.89
Oxnard	59	2	72	49	54	0	39	0.00	13.43	13.89	14.71
Riverside	64	1	90	49	143	57	36	0.00	12.65	11.34	12.50
Los Angeles	61	1	73	52	134	6	34	0.00	16.15	12.08	12.92
San Diego	64	2	75	57	183	41	42	0.00	11.93	9.79	10.42
Southeast Interior											
Bishop	58	3	82	36	3	0	25	0.00	7.80	4.26	5.21
Daggett	69	4	92	48	163	90	18	0.00	3.50	2.99	4.08
Lancaster	61	1	87	39	29	2	29	0.00	6.69	6.83	7.43
Thermal	77	6	99	54	625	345	18	0.00	3.28	2.57	3.22
Blythe	74	2	99	53	480	386	16	0.10	2.60	2.57	3.85
Imperial	74	3	97	52	436	364	17	0.02	1.74	2.43	3.46

^{1/} Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice).

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^{2/} Normal periods 1980-2010 used in departure from normal calculations.

^{3/} Total number of days with precipitation events this season.

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