



California Crop Weather

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WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from the mid 60s to mid 90s in the mountains, high 60s to mid 100s along the coast, mid 70s to mid 100s in the valley, and low 90s to low 120s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from the mid 30s to low 60s in the mountains, high 40s to mid 60s along the coast, mid 50s to mid 70s in the valley, and high 40s to low 90s in the desert.

FIELD CROPS

In Tulare County, **cotton** fields were in full bloom and bolls were filling. **Alfalfa** continued to be cut and baled with some fields on their third cutting. **Corn** for silage was being cut. In Sacramento County, **rice** and **safflower** continued to grow and mature.

FRUIT CROPS

Stone fruit orchards were irrigated. **Nectarine**, **peach**, **plum**, and **pluot** harvests continued. Post-harvest pruning and mechanical topping was ongoing. Some older stone fruit orchards were pushed out after harvest. **Olives** and **persimmons** were maturing well. Asian **pears**, **figs**, and **pears** were harvested. Table **grape** harvest continued. Irrigation and mechanical vineyard maintenance was ongoing. Some Valencia **oranges** were harvested. Gassing of Valencia oranges continued to counter re-greening. Ruby red **grapefruit** were harvested. Citrus groves were pruned, hedged, and skirted. Some citrus were pushed out in preparation for new plantings.

NUT CROPS

Orchards continued to be irrigated. **Almonds**, **walnuts**, and **pistachios** were developing well. Almonds were treated for Navel orange worms and mites. Orchard floors were cleaned up in preparation of almond harvest. Almond harvest was underway in the southern end of the San Joaquin Valley.

VEGETABLE CROPS

Tomato harvest increased in the valley. Corn crop matured at a slower rate due to mild weather conditions. In Tulare County, certified producers grew tomatoes, **squash**, **peppers**, and **cucumbers** for local Farmers' markets. In Kern County, sweet **potatoes** were doing well in high heat.

LIVESTOCK

Rangeland grasses continued to dry. Foothill rangeland and non-irrigated pasture remained in fair to good condition, though water was hauled to livestock in some locations and supplemental feeding had commenced. Some cattle were moved to higher elevation range. Sheep grazed in fallow fields. Bees were active in **sunflower** fields.

CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER – WEEK ENDING 08/11/2019

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
	Average Week Ending 08/11/2019	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- 08/11/2019	January 1- 08/11/2019	July 1- 08/11/2019	Week Ending 08/11/2019	Oct 1- 08/11/2019	Oct 1- 08/11/2019	Oct 1- Sept 30
-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days 3/ --	-- Inches of Precipitation --				
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	62	3	71	52	77	0	106	0.45	42.24	39.49	40.53
Ukiah	74	0	99	53	1220	925	86	0.07	43.72	36.81	37.61
Santa Rosa	68	1	86	49	694	545	80	0.00	48.07	35.86	36.51
Napa State Hospital	68	3	84	52	546	404	68	0.00	26.52	20.05	20.52
Central Coast											
San Francisco	67	3	82	58	448	268	75	0.00	23.34	20.45	20.79
San Jose	71	0	87	59	898	888	75	0.00	16.43	14.67	15.02
Salinas	65	1	79	56	468	228	70	0.00	13.82	12.64	12.91
Monterey	64	3	77	55	227	53	85	0.00	22.48	15.89	16.23
Paso Robles	75	1	100	52	1098	982	60	0.00	14.90	12.47	12.87
Sacramento Valley											
Redding	78	-3	102	60	1935	1685	88	1.91	45.13	33.84	34.80
Red Bluff	78	-3	101	60	1884	1673	81	0.02	30.41	23.89	24.63
Willows	77	0	98	57	1701	1464	56	0.00	30.71	23.00	23.67
Oroville	79	0	100	63	1764	1557	82	0.00	33.33	30.81	31.72
Marysville	76	-1	99	58	1540	1403	70	0.00	28.99	22.20	22.88
Sacramento	76	1	97	57	1416	1286	66	0.00	26.45	20.82	21.35
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	78	2	101	59	1647	1338	66	0.00	18.39	13.76	14.14
Modesto	78	-1	98	61	1713	1644	63	0.00	13.37	12.84	13.19
Merced Macready	77	0	99	57	1595	1434	59	0.00	13.28	12.20	12.59
Madera	78	0	100	57	1815	1513	58	0.00	11.43	11.75	12.10
Fresno	82	-1	104	63	2160	1923	60	0.00	11.87	11.32	11.57
Lemoore	79	1	101	60	1798	1535	55	0.00	8.40	7.71	7.95
Visalia	80	0	99	60	1804	1683	54	0.00	10.76	10.77	10.99
Bakersfield	84	0	103	65	2282	1993	56	0.00	7.83	6.36	6.51
Cascade Sierra											
Alturas	65	-1	94	36	403	320	93	0.27	13.88	13.41	14.22
Mount Shasta	66	-2	91	42	584	418	90	0.21	44.96	42.31	43.48
Blue Canyon	66	-4	80	50	540	494	108	0.02	80.49	63.37	65.00
Yosemite Valley	72	-2	91	53	723	784	77	0.00	37.48	36.01	36.97
South Coast											
Santa Maria	65	1	78	51	399	189	65	0.00	15.69	13.79	14.05
Santa Barbara	66	0	79	56	419	354	53	0.00	21.92	17.41	17.89
Oxnard	65	-1	72	57	508	394	47	0.00	14.73	14.40	14.71
Riverside	79	-1	105	62	1577	1550	42	0.00	13.12	12.15	12.50
Los Angeles	67	-2	73	60	834	696	41	0.00	16.99	12.58	12.92
San Diego	71	0	76	65	1016	867	54	0.00	12.83	10.18	10.42
Southeast Interior											
Bishop	75	-1	103	48	1151	1216	32	0.00	8.72	4.91	5.21
Daggett	89	0	110	70	2576	2541	25	0.00	4.07	3.71	4.08
Lancaster	81	-1	104	59	1673	1748	35	0.00	7.28	7.16	7.43
Thermal	97	7	120	76	3757	3118	20	0.00	3.73	2.83	3.22
Blythe	97	3	117	78	3534	3490	16	0.00	2.60	3.09	3.85
Imperial	95	2	116	76	3347	3268	18	0.00	1.75	2.81	3.46

1/ Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice).

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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