



California Crop Weather

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WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from the mid 50s to low 70s in the mountains, mid 50s to mid 80s in the valley, low 60s to low 90s along the coast, and mid 60s to low 100s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from the high 10s to mid 50s in the mountains, high 30s to mid 80s in the valley, mid 30s to low 90s along the coast, and low 30s to low 100s in the desert.

FIELD CROPS

In Tulare County, fields were being tilled and pre-irrigated for winter forage and grain crops. Some fields were being laser leveled for better irrigation. Winter grain crop planting began. **Alfalfa** was cut and baled on an ongoing basis. Harvesting of **cotton** continued. **Rice** and **corn** harvests were completed in the Sacramento Valley. Harvesting of **safflower** was winding down. **Wheat** planting continued at a slow pace.

FRUIT CROPS

Some **prune** and **peach** orchards were pushed out in preparation for replanting or replacement with **almonds** or other nuts while other orchards were being pruned after harvest. Late variety **grape** vineyards remained covered to protect from possible rain, while older vineyards continued to be pushed out and dried for burning. Valencia **oranges** were harvested and Navel orange maturity continued to progress. Mandarin oranges were being tested for maturity. **Lemon** and **lime** harvests were ongoing in many areas throughout the state. Golden and red **kiwifruit** harvests progressed. Pushed out citrus groves were dried, burned, and ripped to prepare fields for replanting. **Olives** were picked and processed, and some groves were being pruned.

NUT CROPS

Walnuts and **pistachios** continued to be harvested in some areas of the State. Some older harvested orchards were pulled and prepared for new plantings.

VEGETABLE CROPS

Tulare County reported harvesting of **bell** and **jalapeno peppers**, **eggplant** and **squash**. Fall **strawberry** crops continued to process under plastic mulch while **blueberries** were being pruned and prepared for winter.

LIVESTOCK

Foothill rangeland and non-irrigated pasture were reported to be in poor condition. Irrigated pasture was in good to excellent condition. Supplemental feeding of cattle continued. Sheep grazed on harvested grain fields, retired farmland, and alfalfa fields. Cool weather stimulated milk production. Out of state beehives were brought into San Joaquin Valley in preparation for the almond bloom in the spring.

CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER – WEEK ENDING 11/17/2019

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
	Average Week Ending 11/17/2019	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- 11/17/2019	January 1- 11/17/2019	July 1- 11/17/2019	Week Ending 11/17/2019	Oct 1- 11/17/2019	Oct 1- 11/17/2019	Oct 1- Sept 30
-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days 3/ --	-- Inches of Precipitation --				
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	51	0	66	43	195	0	6	0.10	161	5.02	40.53
Ukiah	60	9	84	42	1991	1492	2	0.01	0.06	4.28	37.61
Santa Rosa	58	5	81	39	1282	957	1	0.00	0.02	4.50	36.51
Napa State Hospital	56	4	78	39	998	698	1	0.01	0.01	2.34	20.52
Central Coast											
San Francisco	59	3	73	47	1056	589	0	0.00	0.00	2.13	20.79
San Jose	61	4	78	47	1633	1549	1	0.00	0.01	1.82	15.02
Salinas	59	3	77	44	948	515	0	0.00	0.00	1.27	12.91
Monterey	58	3	72	44	670	148	2	0.01	0.03	1.94	16.23
Paso Robles	59	6	86	37	1871	1623	0	0.00	0.00	1.18	12.87
Sacramento Valley											
Redding	63	11	87	44	3038	2642	4	0.00	0.09	4.30	34.80
Red Bluff	63	10	86	43	2990	2663	1	0.00	0.02	2.70	24.63
Willows	61	6	83	44	2766	2406	1	0.00	0.02	2.68	23.67
Oroville	60	6	77	46	2729	2455	0	0.00	0.00	4.37	31.72
Marysville	58	6	76	40	2411	2206	0	0.00	0.00	3.28	22.88
Sacramento	58	5	75	42	2255	2053	0	0.00	0.00	2.42	21.35
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	60	7	79	42	2643	2167	0	0.00	0.00	1.73	14.14
Modesto	59	3	77	43	2679	2635	0	0.00	0.00	1.38	13.19
Merced Macready	59	6	79	41	2492	2254	0	0.00	0.00	1.52	12.59
Madera	59	6	79	42	2764	2389	0	0.00	0.00	1.57	12.10
Fresno	62	7	81	48	3451	3060	0	0.00	0.00	1.21	11.57
Lemoore	59	6	84	39	2788	2409	0	0.00	0.00	0.80	7.95
Visalia	60	6	77	43	2807	2672	0	0.00	0.00	1.28	10.99
Bakersfield	62	6	81	48	3596	3199	0	0.00	0.00	0.63	6.51
Cascade Sierra											
Alturas	44	8	67	20	611	401	4	0.00	0.31	2.04	14.22
Mount Shasta	49	8	67	31	887	585	3	0.00	0.21	4.92	43.48
Blue Canyon	58	14	70	44	962	800	1	0.00	0.14	8.23	65.00
Yosemite Valley	52	7	72	32	194	1260	0	0.00	0.00	4.46	36.97
South Coast											
Santa Maria	61	5	87	44	968	423	0	0.00	0.00	1.30	14.05
Santa Barbara	60	3	83	45	935	701	0	0.00	0.00	1.65	17.89
Oxnard	62	4	92	49	1199	775	0	0.00	0.00	1.67	14.71
Riverside	66	5	90	48	2985	2764	0	0.00	0.00	0.83	12.50
Los Angeles	65	4	91	55	1944	1424	0	0.00	0.00	1.10	12.92
San Diego	65	3	88	55	1988	1716	0	0.00	0.00	1.06	10.42
Southeast Interior											
Bishop	57	11	94	32	1768	1761	0	0.00	0.00	0.58	5.21
Daggett	70	14	101	47	4173	3982	0	0.00	0.00	0.33	4.08
Lancaster	58	6	80	31	2629	2689	0	0.00	0.00	0.72	7.43
Thermal	67	6	92	44	5730	4926	0	0.00	0.00	0.34	3.22
Blythe	68	5	88	49	5617	5527	0	0.00	0.00	0.27	3.85
Imperial	69	6	87	51	5407	5270	0	0.00	0.00	0.41	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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