



California Crop Weather

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WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from the high 50s to mid 80s in the mountains, mid 60s to high 90s along the coast, mid 60s to high 90s in the valley, and low 80s to highs 100s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from the mid 20s to low 60s in the mountains, mid 30s to high 50s along the coast, high 30s to low 80s in the desert, and low 40s to low 80s in the valley.

FIELD CROPS

In Tulare County, winter planted **wheat, oats** and **barley** were maturing. In other areas, winter small grains including wheat were being harvested for silage. Winter wheat was being cut and dried for hay. **Alfalfa** continued to be cut, dried and baled. **Rice** planting continued in the Sacramento Valley.

FRUIT CROPS

Stone fruit set appeared to be of good quality and immature fruit proceeded to develop. Early varieties of **apricots, cherries, peaches, nectarines, and plums** were harvested. **Apples** and **pears** progressed. **Grape** vines continued to bud at a faster rate due to recent warm weather. **Valencia orange, lemon, lime, tangelo, and pomelo** harvest remained consistent. **Mandarin** harvest continued with export market demand fluctuating. Remaining seedless **tangerine** groves were covered with netting to prevent pollination. **Olives** were pruned. **Strawberries** were progressing well due to warm weather with stands beginning to open up in Tulare County. **Blueberries** continued to be harvested and shipped for domestic and export markets.

NUT CROPS

Orchard maintenance continued and new nut orchards were prepped for planting. **Almond** orchard floors were treated with herbicides and adjuvants where necessary. **Walnut** and **pistachio** growth continued unaffected by recent rains.

VEGETABLE CROPS

Tomatoes for processing continued to be planted. **Asparagus** harvest continued. Tulare County reported spring and winter vegetables were harvested and sold at farmers' markets and local roadside stands. Summer vegetable crops continued to be planted and have developed well with the warm temperatures and adequate rains. In Imperial County, **onions** progressed well.

LIVESTOCK

Rangeland grasses and forbs were flourishing. Foothill rangeland and non-irrigated pasture were reported to be in good to excellent condition. Movement of cattle to higher elevation pasture continued.

CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER -- WEEK ENDING 05/10/2020

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
	Average Week Ending 05/10/2020	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- 05/10/2020	January 1- 05/10/2020	October 1- 05/10/2020	Week Ending 05/10/2020	Oct 1- 05/10/2020	Oct 1- 05/10/2020	Oct 1- Sept 30
-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days 3/ --	-- Inches of Precipitation --				
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	54	1	64	43	0	0	77	0.00	25.46	37.61	40.53
Ukiah	66	6	95	38	112	7	56	0.00	12.91	35.95	37.61
Santa Rosa	63	4	92	37	93	0	48	0.00	18.06	35.11	36.51
Napa State Hospital	61	3	91	36	60	0	42	0.00	8.58	19.53	20.52
Central Coast											
San Francisco	62	3	84	47	58	0	43	0.00	8.89	20.20	20.79
San Jose	66	3	91	45	144	45	43	0.00	7.10	14.52	15.02
Salinas	62	3	88	43	58	0	40	0.00	9.01	12.42	12.91
Monterey	60	4	73	45	36	0	58	0.00	18.23	15.66	16.23
Paso Robles	66	4	95	39	136	19	43	0.00	11.34	12.38	12.87
Sacramento Valley											
Redding	70	5	96	44	255	57	56	0.00	19.96	31.96	34.80
Red Bluff	72	7	97	45	283	73	38	0.00	9.59	22.67	24.63
Willows	73	8	94	48	302	82	28	0.00	7.04	21.98	23.67
Oroville	74	9	95	52	317	78	38	0.00	10.65	29.92	31.72
Marysville	71	6	95	47	227	65	39	0.00	9.04	21.29	22.88
Sacramento	70	6	94	43	215	51	37	0.00	9.68	20.40	21.35
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	70	6	98	46	259	66	39	0.00	8.00	13.44	14.14
Modesto	72	5	95	49	283	147	36	0.00	6.48	12.41	13.19
Merced Macready	70	5	96	44	231	72	36	0.00	9.35	11.86	12.59
Madera	70	5	97	42	220	87	34	0.00	5.81	11.38	12.10
Fresno	75	7	98	52	361	157	37	0.00	7.52	10.92	11.57
Lemoore	71	5	99	43	253	97	36	0.00	6.99	7.53	7.95
Visalia	72	5	95	49	288	124	29	0.00	8.16	10.48	10.99
Bakersfield	75	7	97	53	377	176	32	0.00	7.03	6.21	6.51
Cascade Sierra											
Alturas	53	4	84	24	2	0	54	0.00	7.11	11.21	14.22
Mount Shasta	57	5	85	29	12	0	58	0.00	17.23	39.38	43.48
Blue Canyon	61	10	75	44	23	0	66	0.00	33.71	60.19	65.00
Yosemite Valley	67	11	86	44	90	0	41	0.00	16.07	34.20	36.97
South Coast											
Santa Maria	64	7	90	44	88	0	40	0.00	10.40	13.66	14.05
Santa Barbara	63	3	83	49	130	0	33	0.00	11.49	17.24	17.89
Oxnard	63	4	78	51	121	0	33	0.00	11.53	14.34	14.71
Riverside	75	8	99	54	396	174	30	0.00	10.76	11.92	12.50
Los Angeles	70	8	87	59	399	46	35	0.00	13.03	12.43	12.92
San Diego	70	7	85	62	383	108	46	0.00	13.46	10.09	10.42
Southeast Interior											
Bishop	68	7	94	39	166	9	20	0.00	2.25	4.39	5.21
Daggett	79	8	100	56	439	280	19	0.00	5.88	3.06	4.08
Lancaster	72	6	95	44	231	83	29	0.00	10.65	6.99	7.43
Thermal	87	11	109	65	852	632	18	0.00	5.20	2.61	3.22
Blythe	88	10	108	66	825	703	21	0.00	5.04	2.61	3.85
Imperial	86	10	106	64	778	649	13	0.00	2.06	2.45	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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