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WEATHER

Average lows for California ranged from 17 to 54 in the mountains, 26 to 59 in the desert, 36 to 60 along the coast, and 39 to 54 in the valley. Average highs for the state ranged from 47 to 82 in the mountains, 56 to 87 along the coast, 63 to 90 in the desert, and 69 to 89 in the Central Valley.

FIELD CROPS

In the Sacramento Valley, **rice** harvest was coming to an end. **Bean** in windrows harvest was winding down. Winter **wheat** planting continued. Fall groundwork continued. In Stanislaus County, winter wheat and **oats** had emerged. **Corn** harvest was winding down. Harvesting of beans, **alfalfa** hay, and alfalfa silage continued. In the San Joaquin Valley, **cotton** ginning advanced under cooler, dry conditions. Cotton harvest was almost complete. **American Pima** modules were being transported to gin yards. In Tulare County, cotton harvest was ongoing county wide. Corn and **sorghum** silage harvest was winding down throughout the county. Harvested corn and sorghum silage fields were being fertilized and tilled for winter forage crops. Alfalfa continued to be irrigated, cut, dried, and baled. **Sudan** grass was being cut, dried, and baled. Winter wheat seeds were being shipped out to local growers for planting.

FRUIT CROPS

Late varieties of **peach**, **plum**, and **nectarine** harvest continued to slowly wrap up for the season. **Pomegranate**, **persimmon**, and **pear** harvests were ongoing. **Quince** maturation advanced. **Pummelo**, Star Ruby **grapefruit**, and table **grape** harvests continued. Valencia **oranges**, **tangerines**, and **lemons** steadily developed. Navel oranges were tested for maturity and color in Tulare County. **Olives** were picked.

NUT CROPS

Spraying for weeds and pests continued where necessary. Orchards were removed to make way for new plantings. Remaining **almonds** were harvested in a few areas of the State. **Walnut** harvest slowed.

VEGETABLE CROPS

Fall groundwork continued in the Sacramento Valley. **Tomato** harvest neared completion in various parts of the state. Stanislaus County sweet **potato** harvested continued. Yellow **squash**, **eggplant**, and **pumpkin** harvest continued in Central California. Additionally, fields were prepped for winter vegetables. **Celery** and **cauliflower** were harvested in the southern part of the state, with some supplies affected by the warmer weather.

LIVESTOCK

The condition of rangeland and non-irrigated pasture was fair to poor. With cooler temperatures and dewfall, rangeland grasses began to germinate in the foothills. Irrigated range remained in good condition. Supplemental feeding of cattle continued. Movement of cattle down from higher elevation range began. Sheep grazed on retired cropland, harvested grain fields, and some alfalfa fields. Bee hives continued to be moved into the state for overwintering.

NOTICE: USDA NASS has changed the base temperature used to calculate growing degree days (found in the table below) from 60 °F to 50 °F.

| CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER - WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 30, 2022 | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|--------|---|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | TEMPERATURE | | | | GROWING DEGREE DAYS AT 50 °F BASE 1 | | RAIN DAYS ² | PRECIPITATION ³ | | | |
| STATIONS | Average | Departure | | | This Year | Normal Year ⁴ | This Season | This Week | This Season | Normal Season ⁴ | Normal Year ⁴ |
| | for Week Ending Oct 30, 2022 | from Normal ⁴ | High | Low | Jan 1 - Oct 30, 2022 | Jan 1 - Oct 30, 2022 | Oct 1 - Oct 30, 2022 | Week Ending Oct 30, 2022 | Oct 1 - Oct 30, 2022 | Oct 1 - Oct 30 | Oct 1 - Sept 30 |
| | Degrees Fahrenheit | | | Number | | Days | Inches of Precipitation | | | | |
| North Coast | | - | | | | | | | | | |
| Eureka WFO | 51 | -2 | 68 | 38 | 1,450 | 1,273 | 7 | 0.04 | 0.17 | 2.20 | 40.61 |
| Ukiah | 57 | -2 | 78 | 37 | 4,298 | 3,841 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.69 | 35.07 |
| Santa Rosa | 57 | -2 | 76 | 36 | 3,543 | 3,177 | 1 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 1.56 | 34.00 |
| Napa State Hospital | 56 | -2 | 75 | 39 | 3,328 | 3,029 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.89 | 20.36 |
| Central Coast | | | | | | | | | | | |
| San Francisco | 59 | -2 | 74 | 48 | 3,320 | 3,101 | 1 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.75 | 19.77 |
| San Jose | 60 | -2 | 75 | 46 | 4,288 | 3,857 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.50 | 13.58 |
| Salinas | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2,895 | NA | NA | NA | 0.57 | 12.66 |
| Monterey | 54 | -5 | 66 | 43 | 2,935 | 2,584 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.82 | 16.36 |
| Paso Robles | 56 | -3 | 79 | 36 | 4,693 | 3,865 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.53 | 12.24 |
| Sacramento Valley | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Redding | 60 | 0 | 84 | 41 | 5,948 | 5,149 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.83 | 33.70 |
| Red Bluff | 62 | 1 | 83 | 45 | 5,894 | 5,080 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.99 | 23.25 |
| Orland | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | 4,775 | NA | NA | NA | 0.86 | 21.52 |
| Oroville | 60 | -1 | 76 | 44 | 5,813 | 4,988 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.36 | 25.84 |
| Marysville | 59 | -1 | 77 | 39 | 5,311 | 4,669 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.97 | 20.21 |
| Sacramento | 60 | 0 | 79 | 42 | 5,319 | 4,388 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.78 | 18.10 |
| San Joaquin Valley | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stockton | 60 | -2 | 78 | 43 | 5,319 | 4,888 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.65 | 13.53 |
| Modesto | 58 | -3 | 75 | 41 | 5,285 | 4,948 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.52 | 12.34 |
| Merced Macready | 59 | -2 | 76 | 39 | 5,520 | 4,772 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.61 | 11.87 |
| Madera | 58 | -3 | 76 | 39 | 5,372 | 5,031 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.41 | 10.86 |
| Fresno | 61 | -1 | 77 | 46 | 6,511 | 5,599 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.53 | 11.05 |
| Lemoore | 59 | -2 | 79 | 40 | 5,841 | 5,026 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.41 | 7.23 |
| Visalia | 58 | -3 | 76 | 40 | 5,767 | 5,010 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.52 | 10.37 |
| Bakersfield | 62 | -1 | 78 | 49 | 6,579 | 5,925 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.26 | 6.40 |
| Cascade Sierra | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alturas | 39 | -5 | 63 | 17 | 2,085 | 1,783 | 1 | 0.00 | 0.16 | 0.85 | 11.72 |
| Mount Shasta | 47 | 0 | 65 | 28 | 2,808 | 2,099 | 1 | 0.00 | 0.10 | 1.91 | 37.86 |
| Blue Canyon | 50 | -2 | 64 | 39 | 3,056 | 2,414 | 1 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 3.42 | 62.80 |
| Yosemite Valley | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | 2,969 | NA | NA | NA | 2.21 | 40.65 |
| South Coast | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Santa Maria | 57 | -4 | 73 | 42 | 3,021 | 3,016 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.51 | 13.42 |
| Santa Barbara | 59 | -2 | 75 | 45 | 3,730 | 3,255 | 1 | 0.00 | 0.03 | 0.69 | 17.38 |
| Oxnard | 60 | -3 | 75 | 47 | 3,804 | 3,734 | 2 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.44 | 13.05 |
| Riverside | 66 | 0 | 87 | 49 | 6,402 | 5,578 | 2 | 0.00 | 0.20 | 0.32 | 9.48 |
| Los Angeles | 65 | -1 | 75 | 56 | 5,045 | 4,490 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.24 | 0.47 | 12.33 |
| San Diego | 64 | -3 | 75 | 52 | 4,771 | 4,876 | 4 | 0.00 | 0.09 | 0.48 | 9.87 |
| Southeast Interior | | | | | _ | | | | | | |
| Bishop | 49 | -4 | 73 | 26 | 4,337 | 3,839 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 4.87 |
| Daggett | 60 | -4 | 80 | 41 | 7,351 | 6,643 | 1 | 0.00 | 0.15 | 0.23 | 3.80 |
| Lancaster | 56 | -3 | 78 | 31 | 5,786 | 4,920 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.33 | 6.86 |
| Thermal | 65 | -5 | 90 | 44 | 8,377 | 7,908 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.54 | 0.18 | 2.98 |
| Blythe | 66 | -5 | 83 | 49 | 8,982 | 8,534 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.95 | 0.15 | 3.58 |
| Imperial | 67 | -4 | 86 | 48 | 8,651 | 8,246 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.19 | 2.39 |

¹ Previously labeled as growing degree hours. The column title was corrected in the Sept 27, 2021 report. Additionally, degree days were previously calculated using a base of 60 degrees. The base temperature was changed to 50 degrees in the April 4, 2022 report.

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Reservoir Data from the California Department of Water Resources

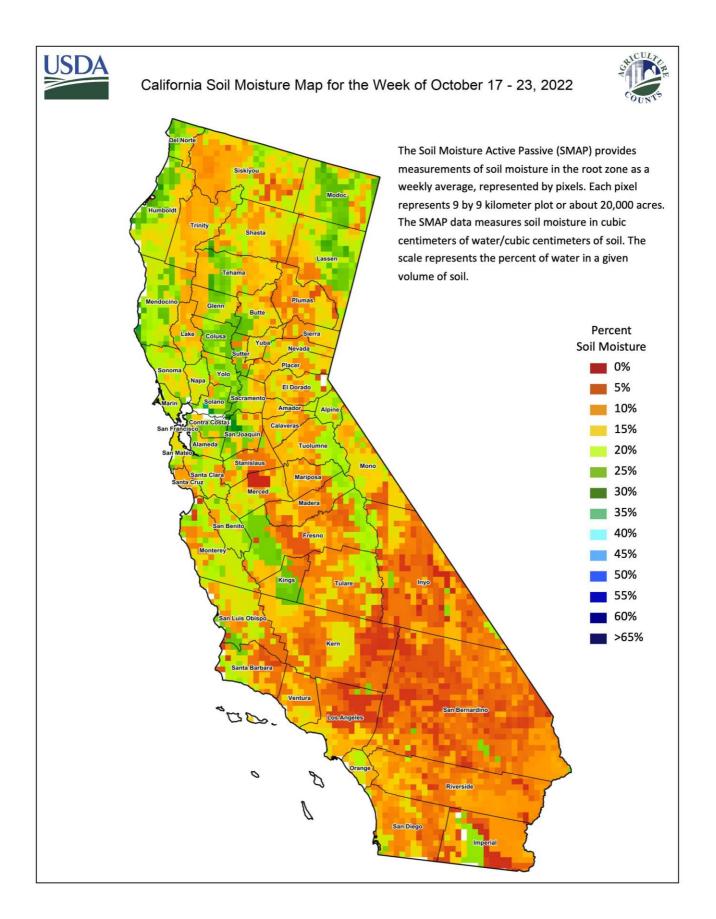
| | | 0 | ctober 30, 2022 | This Date Last Year | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| Reservoir | Capacity | Storage | Percent of Capacity | Percent of Average | Storage | Percent of Capacity |
| | Acre Feet | Acre Feet | Percent | Percent | Acre Feet | Percent |
| Shasta Lake | 4,547,300 | 1,417,653 | 31 | 58 | 1,005,125 | 22 |
| Lake Oroville | 3,537,400 | 1,107,220 | 31 | 61 | 977,444 | 28 |
| Trinity Lake | 2,443,800 | 534,886 | 22 | 38 | 668,445 | 27 |
| New Melones Reservoir | 2,413,000 | 584,182 | 24 | 45 | 828,234 | 35 |
| San Luis Reservoir | 2,057,200 | 501,838 | 25 | 55 | 271,078 | 13 |
| Don Pedro Reservoir | 4,547,300 | 1,003,230 | 49 | 75 | 994,320 | 49 |

Source: cdec.water.ca.gov/reportapp/javareports?name=DLYHYDRO

² Total number of days with precipitation events this season.

Rain or melted snow/ice.

⁴ Normal periods 1990-2020 used in departure from normal calculations.



Drought Conditions from the U.S. Drought Monitor

| Time | | Drought Severity | | | | | |
|--------------|------|------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 | (DSCI) |
| Current | 0.00 | 0.23 | 7.94 | 48.76 | 26.50 | 16.57 | 351 |
| Last Week | 0.00 | 0.23 | 7.94 | 50.92 | 24.34 | 16.57 | 349 |
| 3 Months Ago | 0.00 | 0.22 | 2.31 | 37.66 | 47.07 | 12.74 | 370 |
| One Year Ago | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.19 | 10.48 | 44.59 | 38.74 | 416 |

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