



California Crop Progress & Condition

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WEATHER

Temperature and precipitation information for California are not available this week.

FIELD CROPS

In the Sacramento Valley, **rice** and seed crop harvests continued. Field work was underway including gypsum being worked into harvested fields. In the San Joaquin Valley, **corn**, **sudangrass**, and **alfalfa** were chopped. **Cotton** fields matured and **dry beans** were harvested. In Tulare County, harvest was complete in most corn fields. Cotton fields were nearing harvest and defoliant was applied in some areas. Black-eyed beans were cut into windrows for drying. Some alfalfa fields were cut for hay and others were green chopped for local dairies.

FRUIT CROPS

Stone fruit harvest neared completion. The **nectarine** harvest was complete, while **peach**, **plum**, and **pluot** harvests slowed. **Persimmons** continued to color. Pineapple **quince** were picked. **Pomegranate**, **fig**, and **prune** harvests continued. **Pear** harvest was winding down. Wine **grape** harvest continued. Late variety table grape harvest continued, while some that were left on the vine were picked for juice. Raisin grapes were rolled and dried. **Kiwis** were reaching full size. **Lemon** harvest began in District 3. Navel **oranges** were gaining good color. Growers prepared to spray copper, lime, and zinc prior to the rainy season. The Valencia orange harvest was complete, with harvest ending ahead of last year. **Olive** harvest continued. **Raspberry**, **blackberry**, and **strawberry** harvests continued along the Central Coast. The recent California heat wave has negatively impacted berry quality.

NUT CROPS

Almond harvest neared completion. **Pistachio**, **walnut**, and **pecan** harvests continued. Almonds, walnuts, and pistachios were sprayed with herbicides and insecticides.

VEGETABLE CROPS

Across California, processing **tomato** harvest began to wind down. In the San Joaquin Valley, cantaloupe, honeydew, watermelon, pumpkins, squash, **peppers**, **sweet potatoes**, and broccoli were harvested. In the Central Valley, **cucumbers**, watermelon, cantaloupe, peppers, honeydew, **sweet corn**, **zucchini**, **tomatillos**, **okra**, **eggplant**, pumpkins, squash, tomatoes, **garlic**, **carrots**, **bell peppers** and **onions** were harvested and sold at local stands. Along the Central Coast, broccoli, **brussel sprouts**, **cauliflower**, **celery**, **kale**, garlic, squash, and **lettuce** continued to be harvested. In the Imperial Valley, eggplant, onions, and **chili peppers** were harvested.

LIVESTOCK

Rangeland and non-irrigated pasture were reported to be in poor to fair condition. Irrigated pasture remained in good condition. Some cattle were grazing on higher elevation range. Supplemental feeding was ongoing. Fall calving continued. Sheep grazed harvested melon and vegetable fields.

CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER – WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 13, 2024

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE DAYS AT 50 °F BASE		RAIN DAYS ¹	PRECIPITATION ²			
	Average for Week Ending Oct 13, 2024	Departure from Normal ³	High	Low	This Year	Normal Year ³	This Season	This Week	This Season	Normal Season ³	Normal Year ³
					Jan 1 - Oct 13, 2024	Jan 1 - Oct 13, 2024	Oct 1 - Oct 13, 2024	Week Ending Oct 13, 2024	Oct 1 - Oct 13, 2024	Oct 1 - Oct 13, 2024	Oct 1 - Sept 30
	-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days --	-- Inches of Precipitation --			
North Coast											
Eureka WFO	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	40.61
Ukiah	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	35.07
Santa Rosa	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	34.00
Napa State Hospital	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	20.36
Central Coast											
San Francisco	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	19.77
San Jose	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	13.58
Salinas	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	12.66
Monterey	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	16.36
Paso Robles	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	12.24
Sacramento Valley											
Redding	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	33.70
Red Bluff	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	23.25
Orland	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	21.52
Oroville	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	25.84
Marysville	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	20.21
Sacramento	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	18.10
San Joaquin Valley											
Stockton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	13.53
Modesto	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	12.34
Merced	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	11.87
Madera	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	10.86
Fresno	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	11.05
Lemoore	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	7.23
Visalia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	10.37
Bakersfield	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	6.40
Cascade Sierra											
Alturas	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	11.72
Mount Shasta	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	37.86
Blue Canyon	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	62.80
Yosemite Valley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	40.65
South Coast											
Santa Maria	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	13.42
Santa Barbara	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	17.38
Oxnard	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	13.05
Riverside	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	9.48
Los Angeles	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	12.33
San Diego	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	9.87
Southeast Interior											
Bishop	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	4.87
Daggett	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.80
Lancaster	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	6.86
Thermal	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.98
Blythe	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.58
Imperial	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.39

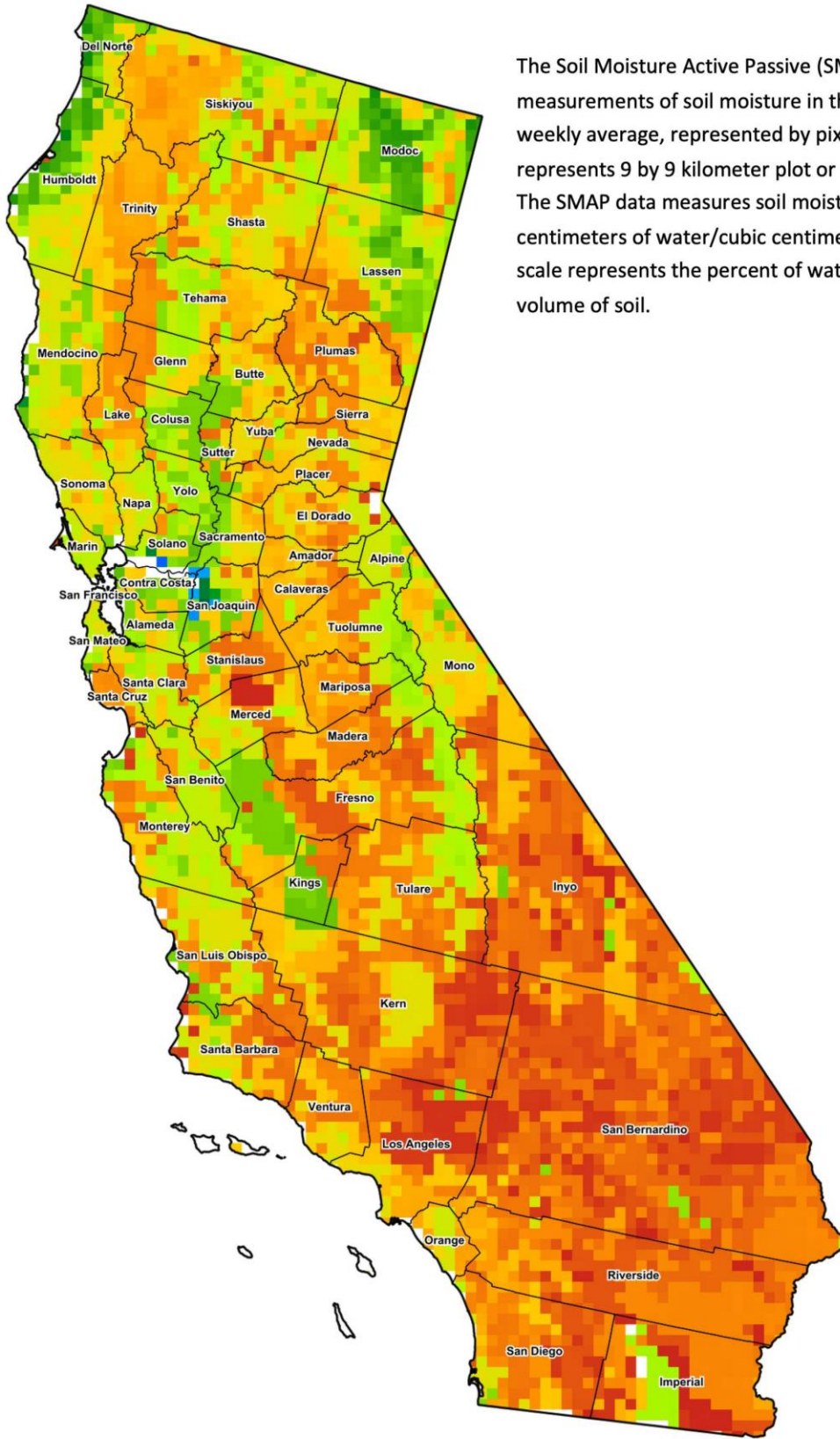
¹ Total number of days with precipitation events this season.
² Rain or melted snow/ice.
³ Normal periods 1990-2020 used in departure from normal calculations.
 (NA) Not available at time of publication.

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Reservoir Data from the California Department of Water Resources

Reservoir	Capacity	Oct 13, 2024			This Date Last Year	
		Storage	Percent of Capacity	Percent of Average	Storage	Percent of Capacity
		<i>Acre Feet</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Acre Feet</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Shasta Lake	4,547,300	2,697,070	59	108	3,255,201	72
Lake Oroville	3,537,400	1,791,469	51	96	2,514,268	71
Trinity Lake	2,443,800	1,674,701	68	115	1,251,476	51
New Melones Reservoir	2,413,000	1,813,659	76	138	1,893,026	79
San Luis Reservoir	2,057,200	1,065,816	52	120	1,584,626	78
Don Pedro Reservoir	2,030,000	1,479,340	73	108	1,685,791	83

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



The Soil Moisture Active Passive (SMAP) provides measurements of soil moisture in the root zone as a weekly average, represented by pixels. Each pixel represents 9 by 9 kilometer plot or about 20,000 acres. The SMAP data measures soil moisture in cubic centimeters of water/cubic centimeters of soil. The scale represents the percent of water in a given volume of soil.



Drought Conditions from the U.S. Drought Monitor as of 10/8/2024

Time	Percent of Land in Drought Rating						Drought Severity (DSCI)
	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4	
Current	24.68	61.55	12.06	1.72	0.00	0.00	91
Last Week	28.40	60.94	10.59	0.08	0.00	0.00	82
3 Months Ago	80.72	18.50	0.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	20
One Year Ago	93.98	5.95	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	6

The U.S. Drought Monitor is jointly produced by the National Drought Mitigation Center at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the United States Department of Agriculture, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. droughtmonitor.unl.edu/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?CA