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### **Field Crops Report**

For the week ending May 9, **Cotton** was 72 percent planted, ahead of the previous year's 65 percent but below the five-year average of 80 percent.

**Alfalfa** harvest was active on just over half on the state's acreage. Forty-one percent of the acreage had no harvest activity. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 1 percent fair, 31 percent good, and 27 percent excellent.

The **Durum Wheat** crop was headed on 94 percent of the acreage, ahead of last year's 87 percent headed but behind the five-year average of 96 percent. **Winter Wheat** was similar at 92 percent headed, compared to 88 percent a year ago, and the five-year average of 94 percent. Arizona's **Barley** crop was 91 percent headed, compared to 88 percent last year, and 95 percent for the five-year average. Some of these small grains fields are nearly ready for harvest.

### **Range and Pasture Report**

**Range and Pasture** conditions were reported as 26 percent very poor, 18 percent poor, 20 percent fair, 21 percent good, and 15 percent excellent.

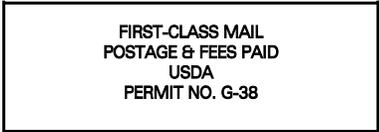
### **Herbs, Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report**

Last week producers in Central Arizona shipped cantaloupes, carrots, head lettuce, honeydew and watermelons. Western Arizona producers shipped green onions and watermelons last week.

Citrus producers harvested grapefruit, tangerines and Valencias in Central and Western Arizona last week.

### **Weather Summary**

Temperatures for most of the State were above normal for the week ending May 8. Temperatures ranged from 4 degrees above normal at Douglas, to 11 degrees above normal at Kingman. The highest temperature of the week was 105 degrees at Gila Bend and Parker, while the lowest reading was 29 degrees at Flagstaff. No precipitation was reported at any of the 17 reporting stations.



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**Weather Information Table (temperatures, precipitation, and/or growing degree days)**

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA  
 FOR THE WEEK MAY 2 TO MAY 8, 2004**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	57	9	91	40	0.00	3.32	2.87
Casa Grande	74	5	101	57	0.00	3.29	2.89
Coolidge	73	8	103	58	0.00	3.71	3.48
Douglas	66	4	93	45	0.00	3.02	2.10
Flagstaff	48	6	76	29	0.00	4.41	8.89
Gila Bend	77	7	105	62	0.00	2.85	2.42
Grand Canyon	49	8	82	34	0.00	5.25	6.44
Kingman	64	11	93	53	0.00	2.47	4.19
Parker	76	9	105	67	0.00	1.51	2.39
Payson	58	6	87	35	0.00	5.05	8.66
Phoenix	77	8	102	67	0.00	4.02	2.96
Prescott Airport	56	10	86	42	0.00	3.70	4.24
Safford Ag Center	67	6	96	47	0.00	3.85	2.39
Tucson	72	7	96	61	0.00	3.56	3.03
Willcox	64	6	92	43	0.00	4.96	3.07
Winslow	59	7	90	38	0.00	1.33	1.94
Yuma	77	10	104	68	0.00	1.16	1.07

1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

2/ Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.

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