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Field Crops Report

For the week ending August 29, bolls have opened on 60 percent of the acreage compared to 50 percent last year and the five year average of 57 percent. **Cotton** condition was reported as 3 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 41 percent good, and 29 percent excellent.

Alfalfa harvest remained active on over half of the State's acreage. Forty-seven percent of the acreage had no harvest activity. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 3 percent poor, 15 percent fair, 65 percent good, and 17 percent excellent.

Range and Pasture Report

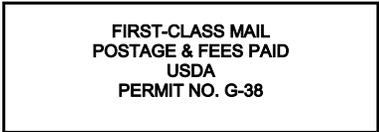
Range and Pasture conditions were reported as 27 percent very poor, 34 percent poor, 18 percent fair, 18 percent good, and 3 percent excellent.

Herbs, Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped cantaloupes, honeydews and watermelons. Western Arizona producers shipped green onions, radishes, and watermelons last week.

Weather Summary

Temperatures for the State were below normal for the week ending August 28. Temperatures ranged from normal at Canyon De Chelly to 6 degrees below normal at Payson. The highest temperature of the week was 108 degrees at Parker and the lowest reading was 40 degrees at Flagstaff and Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 2 of the 17 reporting stations. Gila Bend received the highest amount of rainfall at 0.20 inches and Flagstaff received the lowest amount of rainfall at 0.01 inches.



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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA
 FOR THE WEEK AUGUST 22 TO AUGUST 28, 2004**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	72	0	90	53	0.00	4.11	5.96
Casa Grande	88	-4	104	82	0.00	6.38	5.77
Coolidge	88	-3	104	65	0.00	5.95	5.83
Douglas	77	-1	96	55	0.00	6.12	8.82
Flagstaff	63	-4	77	40	0.01	10.60	14.93
Gila Bend	92	-4	107	69	0.20	3.61	4.44
Grand Canyon	64	-3	83	40	0.00	9.63	11.19
Kingman	79	-2	95	59	0.00	2.66	6.88
Parker	91	-2	108	73	0.00	1.57	3.29
Payson	73	-6	87	50	0.00	12.62	14.67
Phoenix	92	-2	105	76	0.00	4.97	5.01
Prescott Airport	70	-1	87	53	0.00	3.78	9.45
Safford Ag Center	80	-4	96	56	0.00	7.87	5.95
Tucson	84	-1	100	67	0.00	5.19	7.63
Willcox	77	-4	95	54	0.00	8.63	8.48
Winslow	74	-3	91	53	0.00	5.03	4.90
Yuma	92	-1	106	74	0.00	1.16	1.87

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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