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Field Crops

For the week ending May 22, durum wheat and barley has headed on virtually all of the acreage. Twenty-five percent of the durum wheat acreage has matured, while barley has matured on 46 percent of the acreage. Harvesting has begun on 4 percent of the barley acreage. Cotton has been planted on 94 percent of the acreage. Cotton condition is mostly fair to excellent.

Alfalfa harvest was active on over three quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa condition remains mostly good to excellent. Range and pasture conditions are mostly fair to good.

Vegetables, Fruit and Other Specialty Crops

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped cabbage and carrots. Western Arizona shipped cabbage and green onions.

Central and western Arizona producers also shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, seeded and seedless watermelons.

Producers in central and western Arizona also shipped grapefruit and Valencia oranges.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	-Percent-				
Alfalfa	0	2	17	46	35
Cotton	0	0	32	45	23
Range and Pasture	2	16	40	28	14

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Avg
	-Percent-			
Cotton – Planted	94	90	88	92
Durum Wheat – Headed	100	98	99	99
– Mature	25	13	34	47
Barley – Headed	100	100	99	99
– Mature	46	27	39	53
– Harvested	4	0	0	2

Weather Summary

Temperatures for the State were above normal for the week ending May 21. Temperatures ranged from 3 degrees above normal at Coolidge and Parker to 7 degrees above normal at Canyon De Chelly and Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 111 degrees at Casa Grande while the lowest

reading was Flagstaff at 33 degrees. No precipitation was reported at any of the reporting stations for the second straight week. All reporting stations except Tucson are above normal precipitation for this time of year.

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**Temperatures and Precipitation Data
 May 15 - May 21, 2005**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	61	7	97	42	0.00	6.29	3.13
Casa Grande	77	4	111	56	0.00	4.43	3.02
Coolidge	77	3	110	55	0.00	4.91	3.61
Douglas	69	6	103	52	0.00	4.95	2.23
Flagstaff	51	6	82	33	0.00	15.50	9.25
Gila Bend	80	4	110	62	0.00	3.09	2.55
Grand Canyon	53	5	86	34	0.00	10.16	6.70
Kingman	67	4	98	47	0.00	7.74	4.32
Parker	80	3	108	61	0.00	4.22	2.48
Payson	61	5	92	41	0.00	14.51	8.96
Phoenix	81	5	109	68	0.00	5.30	3.08
Prescott Airport	59	7	91	45	0.00	8.41	4.47
Safford Ag Center	71	6	106	51	0.00	4.30	2.52
Tucson	75	6	107	61	0.00	2.99	3.16
Willcox	67	6	103	48	0.00	3.86	3.24
Winslow	63	6	97	46	0.00	3.90	2.13
Yuma	80	5	108	66	0.00	2.80	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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