



# ARIZONA AGRI-WEEKLY

## For Week Ending July 24, 2005

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### Field Crops

For the week ending July 24, squaring has occurred on 95 percent of the cotton acreage while bolls have set on 70 percent of the acreage. Cotton condition remains mostly fair to good.

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

### Vegetables, Fruit and Other Specialty Crops

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, seeded and seedless watermelons, and other specialty melons.

Western Arizona shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, seeded and seedless watermelons, and other specialty melons.

#### **Crop Condition**

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	-Percent-				
Alfalfa	0	3	31	50	16
Cotton	0	3	39	43	15
Range and Pasture	19	42	27	10	2

#### **Crop Progress**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Avg
	-Percent-			
Cotton – Squaring	95	85	100	97
Setting Bolls	70	50	78	81

### Weather Summary

Temperatures for the State were above normal for the week ending July 24. Temperatures ranged from 4 degrees above normal at Phoenix, Safford, and Yuma to 10 degrees above normal at Canyon De Chelly and Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 120 degrees at Parker and the lowest reading was Flagstaff at 54 degrees.

Precipitation was reported at 10 of the 17 reporting stations. Casa Grande received the lowest amount of precipitation at 0.03 inches and Flagstaff received the highest amount of precipitation at 0.75 inches.

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**Temperatures and Precipitation Data  
 July 17 - July 23, 2005**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	75	10	101	56	0.00	6.57	4.43
Casa Grande	91	6	117	79	0.03	5.14	3.64
Coolidge	91	5	115	78	0.16	5.59	4.28
Douglas	79	6	103	67	0.00	5.37	5.19
Flagstaff	66	5	93	54	0.75	17.17	12.88
Gila Bend	94	5	117	81	0.00	3.09	3.12
Grand Canyon	67	8	97	55	0.08	11.80	8.72
Kingman	83	7	113	70	0.15	7.92	5.20
Parker	94	8	120	88	0.00	4.22	2.63
Payson	75	6	100	63	0.18	15.10	11.15
Phoenix	95	4	116	82	0.16	5.46	3.84
Prescott Airport	74	10	103	68	0.16	10.42	6.42
Safford Ag Center	83	4	106	68	0.08	4.72	3.92
Tucson	87	6	111	75	0.36	4.00	4.87
Willcox	79	6	101	69	0.00	4.96	5.38
Winslow	78	6	105	63	0.00	4.27	3.35
Yuma	94	4	117	82	0.00	2.80	1.24

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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