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Field Crops

Alfalfa harvest was active on over three quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa condition is mostly fair to good. Cotton planting is 17 percent complete compared with 14 percent a year ago. Range and pasture conditions across the State range from poor to good, depending on location and elevation.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, carrots, greens, and miscellaneous herbs.

Western Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, endive, escarole, frisee, greens, kale, miscellaneous Asian vegetables, miscellaneous herbs, green onions, parsley, green peas, spinach, and Swiss chard. Lettuce shipments included Boston, green leaf, red leaf, iceberg, and romaine.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	0	4	32	36	28
Range and Pasture	10	22	43	23	2

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Planted	17	10	14	15
Durum Wheat				
• Headed	40	28	25	42
Barley				
• Headed	45	35	31	45

Weather Summary

Temperatures were above normal in the State for the week ending April 8. Temperatures ranged from 6 degrees above normal at Paloma and Yuma to 15 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 97 degrees at Parker, and

the lowest reading occurred in Grand Canyon at 24 degrees. No precipitation was reported at any of the 22 reporting stations. Four stations are currently above normal for precipitation. Yuma has received no measurable precipitation for the year to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data
April 2 - April 8, 2007

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	69	9	90	47	0.00	1.52	-2.09	42
Buckeye	71	8	95	46	0.00	1.49	-0.86	63
Canyon De Chelly	59	11	76	42	0.00	1.61	-0.61	73
Coolidge	70	7	94	46	0.00	1.23	-1.59	44
Douglas	65	9	88	42	0.00	2.34	0.61	135
Flagstaff	49	10	69	26	0.00	2.67	-4.51	37
Grand Canyon	50	15	71	24	0.00	2.59	-4.85	35
Kingman	68	14	87	49	0.00	0.47	-2.64	15
Marana	73	11	94	52	0.00	1.29	-2.01	39
Maricopa	73	9	94	48	0.00	1.29	-1.21	52
Paloma	70	6	94	44	0.00	0.60	-1.88	24
Parker	73	7	97	50	0.00	0.61	-1.36	31
Payson	57	9	80	35	0.00	3.35	-3.33	50
Phoenix	78	11	94	60	0.00	1.72	-0.63	73
Prescott	60	14	78	39	0.00	2.45	-2.74	47
Roll	74	10	96	46	0.00	0.06	-0.80	7
Safford	68	10	91	43	0.00	2.76	0.83	143
St. Johns	61	12	84	35	0.00	0.88	-1.40	39
Tucson	74	11	92	54	0.00	1.34	-1.03	57
Willcox	64	10	88	40	0.00	2.75	0.44	119
Winslow	61	12	81	37	0.00	2.10	0.50	131
Yuma	73	6	94	50	0.00	0.00	-0.92	0

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

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