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Field Crops

Alfalfa harvest was active on over three quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa condition is mostly good. Cotton squaring is complete on 90 percent of acreage compared to the 5-year average of 85 percent. Forty-five percent of the cotton acreage has set bolls. Cotton condition is mostly fair to good. Small grain harvesting is nearing completion with 90 percent harvested. Range and pasture condition across the State is mostly poor to fair.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, mixed melons, and seeded and seedless watermelons. Producers in central Arizona shipped cantaloupes, carrots, honeydews, mixed melons, and seeded and seedless watermelons.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	0	4	24	53	19
Cotton	0	5	48	38	9
Range and Pasture	25	27	35	12	1

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Squaring	90	75	88	85
• Setting Bolls	45	30	44	44
Durum Wheat				
• Harvested	90	75	88	93
Barley				
• Harvested	90	80	94	94

Weather Summary

Temperatures were above normal in the State for the week ending July 8. Temperatures ranged from 3 degrees above normal at Paloma and Roll to 11 degrees above normal at Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 116 degrees at Phoenix, and the lowest reading occurred in Grand Canyon at 38 degrees.

Precipitation was reported at 6 of the 22 reporting stations. Payson received the most at 0.13 inches of precipitation and Canyon De Chelly, Grand Canyon, and St. Johns received the least with 0.02 inches. Three stations are currently above normal precipitation for the year to date.

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**Temperature and Precipitation Data
 July 2 - July 8, 2007**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	91	6	114	67	0.00	1.52	-2.80	35
Buckeye	93	5	112	74	0.00	1.50	-1.36	52
Canyon De Chelly	79	6	103	55	0.02	2.63	-0.99	73
Coolidge	91	6	113	69	0.04	1.35	-2.00	40
Douglas	85	6	106	65	0.00	3.14	-0.06	98
Flagstaff	71	7	96	48	0.12	3.32	-6.48	34
Grand Canyon	69	9	97	38	0.02	3.89	-6.07	39
Kingman	88	7	110	64	0.00	0.47	-3.64	11
Marana	93	7	112	74	0.00	1.59	-2.53	39
Maricopa	95	7	114	76	0.00	1.66	-1.44	54
Paloma	90	3	113	68	0.00	0.66	-2.29	22
Parker	92	5	114	69	0.00	0.61	-1.50	29
Payson	80	6	104	56	0.13	4.02	-4.70	46
Phoenix	100	8	116	83	0.00	1.93	-0.93	67
Prescott	83	11	103	59	0.00	2.70	-4.60	37
Roll	90	3	115	68	0.00	0.14	-0.84	14
Safford	87	5	105	64	0.00	3.57	0.72	125
St. Johns	79	6	101	54	0.02	1.86	-1.98	48
Tucson	94	8	110	75	0.00	1.66	-1.75	49
Willcox	86	8	106	62	0.00	4.10	0.60	117
Winslow	83	6	106	57	0.00	2.80	0.18	107
Yuma	93	4	114	71	0.00	0.01	-1.16	1

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

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