



# ARIZONA AGRI-WEEKLY

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## TEMPERATURES RETURN TO NORMAL

As of May 21, 96 percent of **Cotton** was reported as planted, compared with 91 percent last year and 96 percent for the 5-year average.

Alfalfa harvest activity remained fairly constant compared with last week. **Alfalfa** harvest was reported as 38 percent not being harvested, 8 percent light, 11 percent moderate, and 43 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 3 percent poor, 19 percent fair, 44 percent good, and 34 percent excellent.

**Range and Pasture** conditions were reported as 16 percent very poor, 23 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 21 percent good, and 3 percent excellent. **Livestock** were reported to be in fair condition. **Stock Water** was reported as short to adequate. **Soil Moisture** was reported as short. **Insect Damage** was reported as none to light.

As of May 21, 98 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 98 percent of **Barley**, 98 percent of **Other Wheat**, and 99 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as **headed**, while 47 percent of

**Durum Wheat**, 47 percent of **Barley**, 52 percent of **Other Wheat**, and 38 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as **mature**.

Temperatures throughout the state ranged from 3 degrees above normal at Coolidge, Douglas, Prescott Airport, and Tucson to 1 degree below normal at Casa Grande, and Gila Bend. The highest temperature of the week was 109 degrees at Parker, while the lowest reading was 28 degrees at Flagstaff. Light precipitation was reported at Flagstaff and Winslow.

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped fruits and vegetables including **parsley**, **romaine** and **potatoes**. As western Arizona season nears its conclusion, producers shipped **cantaloupes**, **grapes**, **honeydew**, **potatoes** and **watermelons**.

Central Arizona citrus producers harvested **lemons**, **grapefruit**, **tangerines**, **tangelos** and **valencias**. Western citrus producers harvested **grapefruit** and **lemons** last week.



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**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR THE WEEK MAY 14-20, 2000**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	60	1	87	39	0.00	2.35	2.98
Casa Grande	77	-1	101	54	0.00	1.74	2.70
Coolidge	74	3	106	50	0.00	2.27	3.01
Douglas	68	3	99	45	0.00	0.37	2.04
Flagstaff	51	0	74	28	0.12	5.51	8.73
Gila Bend	79	-1	103	57	0.00	2.05	2.16
Grand Canyon	51	2	78	33	0.00	6.01	5.95
Kingman	67	0	91	50	0.00	1.62	3.67
Parker	80	0	109	58	0.00	0.66	1.77
Payson	61	1	89	35	0.00	6.09	7.75
Phoenix	79	2	101	60	0.00	2.99	2.57
Prescott Airport	59	3	85	42	0.00	2.16	3.44
Safford Ag Center	70	2	102	47	0.00	0.33	2.23
Tucson	74	3	103	53	0.00	1.18	2.77
Willcox	66	2	100	41	0.00	1.09	2.69
Winslow	62	1	92	37	0.04	1.53	1.98
Yuma	79	1	106	54	0.00	0.30	0.96

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.