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Field Crops Report

As of February 25, **Alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 60 percent not being harvested, 11 percent light, 12 percent moderate, and 17 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 1 percent poor, 33 percent fair, 60 percent good, and 6 percent excellent. **Alfalfa** sheeping off was reported as light.

Small Grains emergence is virtually complete, while heading is just getting underway. As of February 25, 1 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 2 percent of **Barley**, 1 percent of **Winter Wheat**, and 1 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as headed.

Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

Range and Pasture conditions were reported as 7 percent poor, 46 percent fair, 45 percent good, and 2 percent excellent. **Livestock** were reported to be in fair to good condition. **Stock Water** was reported as adequate. **Soil Moisture** was reported as adequate. **Insect Damage** was reported as none to light.

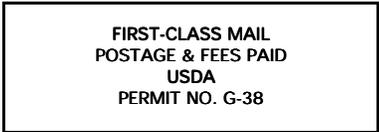
Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Producers in central Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, iceberg lettuce, mixed greens, napa, other lettuce, parsley, romaine, and spinach last week. Producers in western Arizona shipped anise, bok choy, broccoflower, broccoli, broccolini, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, cilantro, endive, escarole, kale, mixed greens, napa, parsley, radicchio and spinach. Lettuce shipments included boston, iceberg, leaf and romaine.

Citrus shipments in central Arizona included tangerines, grapefruit, lemons and navels last week. Shipments from western Arizona included grapefruit, lemons and tangerines.

Weather Summary

Temperatures throughout the State were slightly above average for the week ending February 24. Temperatures ranged from 2 degrees below normal at Yuma to 7 degrees above normal at Canyon De Chelly. The highest temperatures of the week were 79 degrees at Gila Bend and Yuma, while the lowest readings were 10 degrees at Flagstaff and Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at six reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.01 inches at Kingman to 0.35 at Willcox.



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Weather Information Table (temperatures, precipitation, and/or growing degree days)

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA
 FOR THE WEEK FEBRUARY 18 TO FEBRUARY 24, 2001**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	38	7	61	26	0.03	1.00	1.20
Casa Grande	56	2	77	38	0.00	2.25	1.30
Coolidge	54	3	76	37	0.00	2.39	1.45
Douglas	49	2	76	29	0.00	0.94	1.17
Flagstaff	32	2	51	10	0.17	3.75	3.81
Gila Bend	59	0	79	39	0.00	1.76	1.13
Grand Canyon	31	6	54	10	0.08	3.44	2.49
Kingman	47	1	64	26	0.01	1.73	1.64
Parker	60	1	78	43	0.00	0.00	0.96
Payson	43	1	63	20	0.00	2.89	3.64
Phoenix	59	1	75	43	0.00	2.08	1.23
Prescott Airport	42	1	61	24	0.00	2.42	1.67
Safford Ag Center	49	3	74	30	0.00	1.27	1.21
Tucson	55	1	75	38	0.01	1.61	1.45
Willcox	46	4	74	28	0.35	2.85	1.54
Winslow	41	4	66	23	0.00	0.70	0.89
Yuma	62	-2	79	38	0.00	0.45	0.57

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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