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Field Crops Report

As of March 4, **Alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 67 percent not being harvested, 21 percent light, 4 percent moderate, and 8 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 5 percent poor, 20 percent fair, 51 percent good, and 24 percent excellent. **Alfalfa** sheeping off was reported as light.

Small Grains emergence is virtually complete, while heading is just getting underway. As of March 4, 2 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 3 percent of **Barley**, 2 percent of **Winter Wheat**, and 3 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.

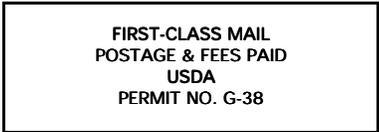
Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

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, flowering kale, kale, 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 below average for the week ending March 3. Temperatures ranged from 1 degree below normal at Canyon De Chelly, Safford and Winslow to 6 degrees below normal at Tucson and Yuma. The highest temperature of the week was 69 degrees at Yuma, while the lowest reading was 10 degrees at Flagstaff. Precipitation was reported at all reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.05 inches at Safford to 1.37 at Grand Canyon



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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA
 FOR THE WEEK FEBRUARY 25 TO MARCH 3, 2001**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	40	-1	53	23	0.32	1.32	1.41
Casa Grande	57	-4	68	35	0.47	2.72	1.51
Coolidge	57	-5	66	38	0.52	2.91	1.67
Douglas	50	-5	62	28	0.06	1.00	1.31
Flagstaff	33	-3	43	10	0.60	4.35	4.37
Gila Bend	60	-5	68	36	0.71	2.47	1.27
Grand Canyon	32	0	46	16	1.37	4.81	2.85
Kingman	48	-5	55	29	0.45	2.18	1.91
Parker	60	-5	68	38	0.61	0.61	1.10
Payson	43	-3	54	25	1.17	4.06	4.16
Phoenix	60	-4	67	43	0.55	2.63	1.44
Prescott Airport	43	-4	53	24	0.24	2.66	1.88
Safford Ag Center	49	-1	64	27	0.05	1.32	1.39
Tucson	56	-6	65	35	0.09	1.70	1.66
Willcox	47	-2	60	29	0.20	3.05	1.72
Winslow	42	-1	56	22	0.16	0.86	1.03
Yuma	63	-6	69	44	0.58	1.03	0.60

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.