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### Field Crops Report

As of March 11, **Alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 69 percent not being harvested, 11 percent light, 13 percent moderate, and 7 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 24 percent fair, 67 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. **Alfalfa** sheeping off was reported as light.

**Small Grains** heading is just getting underway. As of March 11, 6 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 6 percent of **Barley**, 4 percent of **Winter Wheat**, and 6 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as headed.

### Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

**Range and Pasture** conditions were reported as 3 percent very poor, 12 percent poor, 35 percent fair, 36 percent good, and 14 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.

### 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 average for the week ending March 10. Temperatures ranged from 3 degrees below normal at Gila Bend, to 5 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon and Safford. The highest temperature of the week was 82 degrees at Parker, while the lowest reading was 20 degrees at Flagstaff and Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at all reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.19 inches at Safford to 2.06 at Grand Canyon



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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA  
 FOR THE WEEK MARCH 4 TO ,MARCH 10, 2001**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	42	4	64	24	0.20	1.52	1.62
Casa Grande	58	-1	77	36	1.21	3.93	1.72
Coolidge	57	-1	75	37	1.07	3.98	1.94
Douglas	51	-1	71	22	0.28	1.28	1.44
Flagstaff	34	3	54	20	1.17	5.52	5.00
Gila Bend	61	-3	75	34	0.55	3.02	1.41
Grand Canyon	33	5	53	20	2.06	6.87	3.27
Kingman	49	1	67	33	0.14	2.32	2.19
Parker	61	2	82	43	0.90	1.51	1.24
Payson	44	0	62	27	1.18	5.24	4.72
Phoenix	60	1	76	47	0.77	3.40	1.65
Prescott Airport	43	2	60	27	0.77	3.43	2.09
Safford Ag Center	50	5	79	29	0.19	1.51	1.53
Tucson	57	0	76	37	0.75	2.45	1.87
Willcox	49	1	72	26	0.42	3.47	1.86
Winslow	43	4	65	24	0.47	1.33	1.17
Yuma	63	-1	76	50	1.62	2..65	0.67

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.