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Field Crops Report

As of April 29, **Alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 38 percent not being harvested, 9 percent light, 8 percent moderate, and 45 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 6 percent poor, 16 percent fair, 58 percent good, and 20 percent excellent.

Cotton was reported as 63 percent planted, compared with 64 percent last year and 69 percent for the 5 year average.

As of April 29, 93 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 90 percent of **Barley**, 83 percent of **Winter Wheat**, and 86 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as headed. 11 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 13 percent of **Barley**, 9 percent of **Winter Wheat**, and 10 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as mature.

Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

Range and Pasture conditions were reported as 2 percent poor, 20 percent fair, 48 percent good, and 30 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

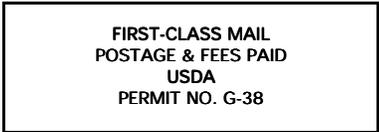
Producers in central Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, iceberg lettuce, mixed greens, romaine, and spinach last week. Producers in western Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, flowering kale, parsley, potatoes, spinach, and swiss chard. Lettuce shipments included boston, iceberg, leaf and romaine.

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

Weather Summary

Temperatures throughout the State were above average for the week ending April 28. Temperatures ranged from 1 degree above normal at Canyon De Chelly, Douglas, and Parker to 6 degrees above normal at Phoenix. The highest temperature of the week was 103 degrees at Gila Bend, while the lowest reading was 23 degrees at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 8 out of 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.01 inches at Flagstaff to 0.41 inches at Casa Grande.

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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA
 FOR THE WEEK APRIL 22 TO APRIL 28, 2001**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	54	1	83	29	0.20	2.36	2.56
Casa Grande	70	3	99	41	0.41	5.47	2.57
Coolidge	68	5	100	41	0.00	5.51	2.88
Douglas	63	1	87	34	0.00	1.75	1.86
Flagstaff	45	2	73	23	0.01	7.00	8.08
Gila Bend	73	3	103	43	0.00	3.10	2.02
Grand Canyon	45	4	76	23	0.15	8.56	5.49
Kingman	60	5	91	37	0.00	3.71	3.45
Parker	73	1	100	45	0.00	1.51	1.71
Payson	55	2	89	30	0.06	7.95	7.32
Phoenix	72	6	100	46	0.00	4.46	2.45
Prescott Airport	54	2	80	32	0.00	3.75	3.19
Safford Ag Center	64	5	93	34	0.00	2.67	2.06
Tucson	68	4	95	41	0.03	3.42	2.57
Willcox	60	3	88	35	0.13	4.33	2.49
Winslow	56	2	84	30	0.03	1.59	1.76
Yuma	73	4	100	46	0.00	2.71	0.92

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.