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### Field Crops Report

As of September 2, **Cotton** harvest is underway in Southwestern Arizona. **Cotton** bolls opening was reported as 75 percent open, compared with 73 percent last year, and 66 percent for the five year average. **Cotton** condition was reported as 7 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 43 percent good, and 23 percent excellent.

**Alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 47 percent not being harvested, 5 percent light, 10 percent moderate and 38 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 5 percent poor, 41 percent fair, 47 percent good, and 7 percent excellent.

### Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

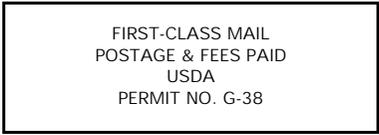
**Range and Pasture** conditions were reported as 2 percent very poor, 18 percent poor, 41 percent fair, 33 percent good, and 6 percent excellent. **Livestock** were reported to be in good condition. **Stock Water** was reported as adequate. **Soil Moisture** was reported as short. **Insect Damage** was reported as light.

### Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Producers in central Arizona shipped cantaloupes last week, while producers in western Arizona shipped cantaloupes, honeydew and watermelons.

### Weather Summary

Temperatures throughout the State were above average for the week ending September 1. Temperatures ranged from 2 degrees above normal at Canyon De Chelly, Flagstaff, Parker, Safford, Willcox, and Yuma, to 5 degrees above normal at Phoenix. The highest temperature of the week was 115 degrees at Gila Bend, while the lowest reading was 44 degrees at Flagstaff and Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 8 out of 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.01 inches at Flagstaff to 0.44 inches at Douglas and Willcox.



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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA  
 FOR THE WEEK AUGUST 26 TO SEPTEMBER 1, 2001**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	72	2	94	55	0.13	5.46	6.10
Casa Grande	87	3	113	68	0.00	6.70	5.74
Coolidge	86	4	114	69	0.20	8.23	5.30
Douglas	76	3	101	57	0.44	7.40	8.99
Flagstaff	62	2	87	44	0.01	14.11	14.89
Gila Bend	90	4	115	77	0.00	4.58	4.14
Grand Canyon	63	4	89	44	0.00	15.73	10.38
Kingman	78	3	103	61	0.00	4.92	6.60
Parker	90	2	114	74	0.00	2.08	2.65
Payson	71	4	97	53	0.07	16.81	14.21
Phoenix	90	5	114	80	0.00	5.62	4.52
Prescott Airport	71	3	95	56	0.00	8.06	9.70
Safford Ag Center	78	2	106	56	0.18	5.33	5.84
Tucson	83	4	107	71	0.00	6.14	7.59
Willcox	75	2	99	56	0.44	9.68	8.45
Winslow	73	3	98	55	0.12	4.80	5.03
Yuma	91	2	112	78	0.00	3.01	1.90

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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