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### Field Crops Report

As of February 17, **alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 45 percent not being harvested, 18 percent light, 16 percent moderate and 21 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 16 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 53 percent good, and 6 percent excellent. **Alfalfa** sheeping off was reported as light.

**Small Grains** emergence is nearing completion. As of February 17, 85 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 90 percent of **Winter Wheat**, 86 percent of **Barley**, and 87 percent of **Other Small Grains** reported as emerged.

### Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

**Range and Pasture** conditions were reported as 2 percent very poor, 15 percent poor, 62 percent fair, 20 percent good, and 1 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

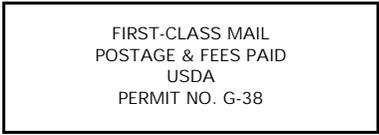
Last week producers in central Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, green onions, head lettuce, leaf lettuce, mixed greens, romaine and spinach.

Western Arizona producers shipped anise, bok choy, broccoflower, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, endive, escarole, mixed greens, napa, parsley, radicchio, salad savoy and spinach last week. Western lettuce shipments included boston, iceberg, leaf, romaine and spring mix.

Last week citrus producers in central Arizona harvested tangerines, lemons, grapefruit, mandarins and navels, while western producers harvested tangerines, lemons and grapefruit.

### Weather Summary

Temperatures for most of the State were above average for the week ending February 16. Temperatures ranged from 5 degrees below normal at Canyon De Chelly, to 7 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 85 degrees at Coolidge and Gila Bend, while the lowest reading was 8 degrees at Winslow. No precipitation was reported at any of the 17 reporting stations.



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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA  
 FOR THE WEEK FEBRUARY 10 TO FEBRUARY 16, 2002**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	36	-5	57	10	0.00	0.06	1.04
Casa Grande	55	2	83	31	0.00	0.16	1.06
Coolidge	53	5	85	29	0.00	0.04	1.21
Douglas	48	0	74	20	0.00	1.29	1.01
Flagstaff	31	6	61	9	0.00	0.02	3.17
Gila Bend	58	2	85	38	0.00	0.05	0.97
Grand Canyon	31	7	58	15	0.00	0.05	2.09
Kingman	46	3	72	25	0.00	0.04	1.40
Parker	59	0	78	35	0.00	0.00	0.83
Payson	42	2	66	19	0.00	0.33	3.08
Phoenix	58	4	83	42	0.00	0.05	0.99
Prescott Airport	41	4	67	18	0.00	0.00	1.44
Safford Ag Center	48	-1	75	0	0.00	0.09	1.05
Tucson	54	4	80	35	0.00	0.61	1.21
Willcox	45	3	75	21	0.00	0.80	1.34
Winslow	39	-3	67	8	0.00	0.03	0.73
Yuma	61	1	78	45	0.00	0.00	0.51

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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