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Field Crops Report

As of April 21, **alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 53 percent not being harvested, 7 percent light, 22 percent moderate, and 18 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 14 percent poor, 30 percent fair, 28 percent good, and 28 percent excellent.

Cotton was reported as 53 percent planted, compared with 51 percent last year and 47 percent for the five year average.

As of April 21, 80 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 75 percent of **Winter Wheat**, 78 percent of **Barley**, and 76 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as headed.

Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

Range and Pasture conditions were reported as 19 percent very poor, 44 percent poor, 35 percent fair, and 2 percent good. **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 cabbage, carrots, green onions, head lettuce and romaine last week.

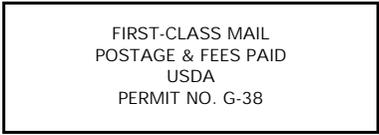
Western Arizona producers shipped anise, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, mixed greens, radicchio, salad savoy, spinach and swiss chard last week. Western lettuce shipments included iceberg, leaf and romaine.

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

Weather Summary

Temperatures for most of the State were again above average for the week ending April 20. Temperatures ranged from 2 degrees below normal at Yuma, to 7 degrees above normal at Canyon De Chelly, Safford, and Willcox. The highest temperature of the week was 104 degrees at Parker, while the lowest reading was 23 degrees at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 2 of the 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.01 inches at Grand Canyon to 0.05 inches at Canyon De Chelly.

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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA
 FOR THE WEEK APRIL 14 TO APRIL 20, 2002**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	52	7	84	40	0.05	0.37	2.46
Casa Grande	68	3	100	48	0.00	0.46	2.54
Coolidge	66	5	101	48	0.00	0.23	2.84
Douglas	62	3	89	45	0.00	1.33	1.85
Flagstaff	43	5	74	27	0.00	0.92	7.76
Gila Bend	71	1	100	50	0.00	0.08	2.02
Grand Canyon	43	4	78	23	0.01	0.94	5.25
Kingman	58	2	90	36	0.00	0.19	3.37
Parker	71	-1	104	50	0.00	0.00	1.71
Payson	54	2	84	35	0.00	0.82	7.16
Phoenix	70	5	100	58	0.00	0.19	2.45
Prescott Airport	52	3	84	33	0.00	0.63	3.03
Safford Ag Center	62	7	95	47	0.00	0.21	2.05
Tucson	66	5	95	52	0.00	0.67	2.49
Willcox	58	7	90	44	0.00	0.86	2.43
Winslow	54	5	86	35	0.00	0.89	1.69
Yuma	72	-2	100	52	0.00	0.00	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.

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