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### Field Crops Report

As of August 11, **cotton** setting bolls was complete. **Cotton** bolls opening was reported as 29 percent open, compared with 26 percent last year and 18 percent for the five-year average. **Cotton** condition was reported as 4 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 55 percent good, and 20 percent excellent.

**Alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 41 percent not being harvested, 1 percent light, 16 percent moderate, and 42 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 4 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 68 percent good, and 7 percent excellent.

### Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

**Range and Pasture** conditions were reported as 37 percent very poor, 39 percent poor, 20 percent fair, and 4 percent good. **Livestock** were reported to be in fair condition. **Stock Water** was reported as short. **Soil Moisture** was reported as short. **Insect Damage** was reported as none to light.

### Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped watermelons, while western Arizona producers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, mixed melons and watermelons.

### Weather Summary

Temperatures for most of the State were near average. For the week ending August 10, temperatures ranged from 1 degree below normal at Casa Grande, Kingman, Parker, Tucson, and Willcox, to 3 degrees above normal at Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 114 degrees at Yuma, while the lowest reading was 47 degrees at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 10 of the 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.02 inches at Coolidge to 0.84 inches at Tucson. Only three reporting stations are above 50 percent of normal for this time of year.



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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA  
 FOR THE WEEK AUGUST 4 TO AUGUST 10, 2002**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	75	1	96	56	0.34	2.61	5.16
Casa Grande	90	-1	110	73	0.20	1.06	4.53
Coolidge	90	0	112	72	0.02	2.18	5.01
Douglas	78	0	97	59	0.66	5.77	7.23
Flagstaff	65	1	89	48	0.04	4.18	13.28
Gila Bend	94	0	113	77	0.00	0.23	3.72
Grand Canyon	66	2	90	47	0.00	3.21	10.03
Kingman	82	-1	105	59	0.00	0.63	6.09
Parker	93	-1	111	75	0.00	0.00	2.89
Payson	75	1	98	59	0.10	2.69	12.95
Phoenix	93	0	112	78	0.00	1.37	3.86
Prescott Airport	73	3	97	59	0.00	1.29	8.09
Safford Ag Center	82	1	104	60	0.33	2.29	4.98
Tucson	86	-1	104	68	0.84	4.11	6.31
Willcox	78	-1	97	53	0.43	3.14	7.00
Winslow	77	0	99	58	0.05	1.31	4.18
Yuma	94	0	114	79	0.00	0.00	1.51

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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