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Field Crops Report

As of April 20, **alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 40 percent not being harvested, 15 percent light, 20 percent moderate, and 25 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 21 percent fair, 49 percent good, and 30 percent excellent.

Cotton was reported as 35 percent being planted, compared with 51 percent last year and 42 percent for the five year average.

Small Grains

There was 70 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 60 percent of **Barley**, 50 percent of **Winter Wheat**, and 60 percent of **Other Small Grains** reported as headed.

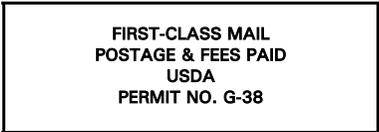
Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped cabbage, head lettuce and parsley. Producers in western Arizona shipped broccoflower, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower and swiss chard. Western lettuce shipments included iceberg, leaf and romaine.

Citrus producers in central and western Arizona shipped grapefruit, lemons and tangerines last week.

Weather Summary

Temperatures for most of the State were below average for the week ending April 19. Temperatures ranged from 6 degree below normal at Gila Bend, to 1 degree above normal at Canyon De Chelly and Douglas. The highest temperature of the week was 90 degrees at Casa Grande and Coolidge, while the lowest reading was 17 degrees at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 12 of the 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.04 inches at Tucson to 0.59 inches at Kingman.



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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA
 FOR THE WEEK APRIL 13 TO APRIL 19, 2003**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	52	1	78	28	0.00	2.28	2.56
Casa Grande	68	-4	90	43	0.08	2.38	2.78
Coolidge	67	-3	90	43	0.18	2.35	3.29
Douglas	61	1	86	34	0.00	1.27	2.04
Flagstaff	43	-4	62	19	0.36	4.42	8.32
Gila Bend	71	-6	89	46	0.56	4.89	2.41
Grand Canyon	45	-5	64	17	0.60	6.46	5.94
Kingman	58	-3	75	38	0.59	3.11	4.00
Parker	71	-5	82	49	0.00	1.83	2.39
Payson	53	-3	75	30	0.35	9.93	8.28
Phoenix	70	-2	87	53	0.17	4.40	2.92
Prescott Airport	51	-3	68	29	0.24	4.99	4.05
Safford Ag Center	62	-1	89	33	0.08	1.50	2.32
Tucson	66	-2	88	44	0.04	1.65	2.90
Willcox	59	0	84	32	0.00	2.14	2.93
Winslow	54	-5	77	27	0.10	0.94	1.79
Yuma	72	-4	83	53	0.00	1.18	0.93

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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