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### Field Crops Report

As of April 27, **alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 26 percent not being harvested, 16 percent light, 21 percent moderate, and 37 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 1 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 39 percent good, and 39 percent excellent.

**Cotton** was reported as 58 percent being planted, compared with 63 percent last year and 57 percent for the five-year average.

### Small Grains

There was 78 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 66 percent of **Barley**, 64 percent of **Winter Wheat**, and 64 percent of **Other Small Grains** reported as headed.

### Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

**Range and Pasture** conditions were reported as 15 percent very poor, 34 percent poor, 35 percent fair, 13 percent good and 3 percent excellent. **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.

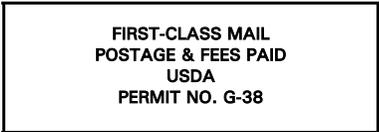
### Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped cabbage and head lettuce. Producers in western Arizona shipped swiss chard, iceberg, leaf and romaine lettuce.

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

### Weather Summary

Temperatures for the State were below average for the week ending April 26. Temperatures ranged from 6 degrees below normal at Parker, to 1 degree below normal at Canyon De Chelly, Phoenix, Prescott, and Willcox. The highest temperature of the week was 92 degrees at Casa Grande, while the lowest reading was 22 degrees at Flagstaff. Precipitation was reported at 3 of the 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.01 inches at Kingman to 0.30 inches at Grand Canyon.



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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA  
 FOR THE WEEK APRIL 20 TO APRIL 26, 2003**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	54	-1	78	29	0.00	2.28	2.70
Casa Grande	71	-5	92	43	0.00	2.38	2.85
Coolidge	70	-4	91	43	0.00	2.35	3.36
Douglas	62	-2	86	35	0.00	1.27	2.05
Flagstaff	45	-3	63	22	0.07	4.49	8.53
Gila Bend	73	-5	91	47	0.00	4.89	2.41
Grand Canyon	47	-4	68	25	0.30	6.76	6.15
Kingman	60	-2	77	41	0.01	3.12	4.07
Parker	73	-6	87	48	0.00	1.83	2.39
Payson	55	-2	72	30	0.00	9.93	8.42
Phoenix	72	-1	90	53	0.00	4.40	2.92
Prescott Airport	53	-1	71	33	0.00	4.99	4.12
Safford Ag Center	64	-2	86	37	0.00	1.50	2.35
Tucson	68	-2	88	45	0.00	1.65	2.96
Willcox	61	-1	85	33	0.00	2.14	2.99
Winslow	56	-3	77	26	0.00	0.94	1.86
Yuma	74	-5	86	51	0.00	1.18	0.98

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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