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Field Crops Report

As of May 18, **alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 40 percent not being harvested, 9 percent light, 16 percent moderate, and 35 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 10 percent fair, 35 percent good, and 55 percent excellent.

Cotton was reported as 80 percent being planted, compared with 95 percent last year and 94 percent for the five-year average.

Small Grains

Small grain development remains behind normal because of the extended cool spring temperatures. There was 91 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 92 percent of **Barley**, 91 percent of **Winter Wheat** and 77 percent of **Other Small Grains** reported as headed. There was 24 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 34 percent of **Barley**, 16 percent of **Winter Wheat**, and 16 percent of **Other Small Grains** reported as mature.

Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

Range and Pasture conditions were reported as 15 percent very poor, 35 percent poor, 32 percent fair, 15 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.

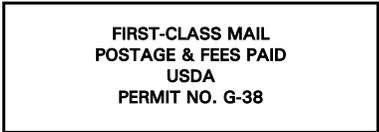
Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped cantaloups and carrots. Producers in western Arizona shipped cantaloups, honeydews and watermelons.

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

Weather Summary

Temperatures for the State were at or above average for the week ending May 17. Temperatures ranged from normal at Casa Grande, Gila Bend, and Yuma, to 6 degrees above normal at Kingman, Prescott, and Willcox. The highest temperature of the week was 106 degrees at Casa Grande, Coolidge, and Gila Bend, while the lowest reading was 23 degrees at Flagstaff. No precipitation was reported at any of the reporting stations.



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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA
 FOR THE WEEK MAY 11 TO MAY 17, 2003**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	60	5	89	32	0.00	2.28	3.05
Casa Grande	76	0	106	44	0.00	2.38	2.98
Coolidge	76	1	106	48	0.00	2.35	3.57
Douglas	68	4	99	42	0.00	1.27	2.19
Flagstaff	50	4	78	23	0.00	4.54	9.16
Gila Bend	79	0	106	47	0.00	4.89	2.51
Grand Canyon	52	4	81	26	0.00	6.97	6.62
Kingman	66	6	94	43	0.00	3.15	4.28
Parker	79	1	100	58	0.00	1.83	2.46
Payson	60	2	88	34	0.00	9.93	8.87
Phoenix	78	4	104	61	0.00	4.40	3.05
Prescott Airport	58	6	86	37	0.00	5.02	4.39
Safford Ag Center	70	3	101	39	0.00	1.50	2.48
Tucson	74	4	103	50	0.00	1.65	3.12
Willcox	66	6	96	43	0.00	2.14	3.20
Winslow	62	3	92	33	0.00	0.98	2.08
Yuma	79	0	102	56	0.00	1.18	1.07

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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