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Field Crops Report

As of October 19, **alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 57 percent not being harvested, 8 percent light, 9 percent moderate and 26 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 4 percent poor, 13 percent fair, 28 percent good and 55 percent excellent.

Cotton harvested was reported at 21 percent complete, compared with 39 percent last year and 34 percent for the five-year average. **Cotton** condition was reported as 2 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 20 percent good and 44 percent excellent.

Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

Range and Pasture conditions were reported as 20 percent very poor, 22 percent poor, 22 percent fair, 25 percent good and 11 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 light.

Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

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

Citrus producers harvested lemons in western Arizona last week.

Weather Summary

Temperatures for the State were well above average for the week ending October 18. Temperatures ranged from 5 degrees above normal at Flagstaff, to 11 degrees above normal at Phoenix and Yuma. The highest temperature of the week was 105 degrees at Gila Bend, while the lowest reading was 30 degrees at Flagstaff. No precipitation was reported at any of the 17 reporting stations.



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

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA
 FOR THE WEEK OCTOBER 12 TO OCTOBER 18, 2003**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	54	6	79	35	0.00	6.86	7.54
Casa Grande	72	8	102	58	0.00	5.79	7.26
Coolidge	72	9	103	59	0.00	4.30	7.27
Douglas	64	6	90	53	0.00	5.53	11.52
Flagstaff	48	5	76	30	0.00	14.40	18.37
Gila Bend	76	8	105	67	0.00	6.95	5.35
Grand Canyon	48	8	78	36	0.00	12.33	13.49
Kingman	64	7	91	48	0.00	5.80	8.02
Parker	75	9	102	65	0.00	3.13	4.13
Payson	58	6	85	43	0.00	17.40	17.60
Phoenix	75	11	103	71	0.00	5.98	6.35
Prescott Airport	56	9	86	44	0.00	10.97	11.90
Safford Ag Center	65	7	93	50	0.00	3.54	7.86
Tucson	71	7	96	60	0.00	8.84	9.98
Willcox	62	8	89	47	0.00	4.47	10.76
Winslow	56	6	84	35	0.00	1.27	6.58
Yuma	77	11	104	74	0.00	1.48	2.32

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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