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## Field Crops

Alfalfa harvest was active on over three quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa condition is mostly fair to good. Cotton planting is 55 percent complete compared with 53 percent a year ago. Small grain heading is over 80 percent complete. Range and pasture condition across the State is mostly fair to good, although over a fourth is in very poor to poor condition.

## Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week western Arizona growers shipped cabbage, and spinach. Lettuce shipments included iceberg and romaine. Producers in central Arizona shipped carrots and potatoes.

### **Crop Condition**

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	0	4	37	33	26
Range and Pasture	11	19	4	23	3

### **Crop Progress**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Planted	55	40	53	61
Durum Wheat				
• Headed	85	70	69	82
Barley				
• Headed	85	70	84	84

## Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal in the State for the week ending April 29. Temperatures ranged from 2 degrees below normal at Canyon De Chelly to 7 degrees above normal at Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 106 degrees at Parker, and the lowest reading occurred in Grand Canyon at 22

degrees. Precipitation was reported at 6 of the 22 reporting stations. Canyon De Chelly received the most at 0.27 inches of precipitation and Tucson received the least with 0.01 inches. Four stations are currently above normal for precipitation.

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**Temperature and Precipitation Data**  
**April 23 - April 29, 2007**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	70	5	98	43	0.00	1.52	-2.30	40
Buckeye	74	5	101	48	0.00	1.50	-0.95	61
Canyon De Chelly	53	-2	83	30	0.27	1.99	-0.57	78
Coolidge	69	0	98	44	0.00	1.31	-1.72	43
Douglas	63	1	86	34	0.02	2.39	0.54	129
Flagstaff	47	3	76	26	0.13	3.05	-5.07	38
Grand Canyon	46	6	79	22	0.21	2.97	-5.15	37
Kingman	64	5	94	39	0.00	0.47	-2.99	14
Marana	71	3	92	47	0.00	1.52	-2.07	42
Maricopa	73	3	100	50	0.00	1.55	-1.14	58
Paloma	71	2	100	47	0.00	0.66	-1.97	25
Parker	75	3	106	50	0.00	0.61	-1.44	30
Payson	55	0	81	30	0.00	3.88	-3.45	53
Phoenix	77	5	101	57	0.00	1.93	-0.52	79
Prescott	58	7	87	34	0.00	2.45	-3.23	43
Roll	74	5	102	48	0.00	0.14	-0.78	15
Safford	68	5	95	40	0.24	3.15	1.10	154
St. Johns	58	4	88	36	0.00	0.97	-1.62	37
Tucson	71	3	93	47	0.01	1.50	-1.08	58
Willcox	61	2	88	37	0.00	2.99	0.51	121
Winslow	58	3	86	35	0.00	2.11	0.34	119
Yuma	74	2	101	48	0.00	0.01	-0.99	1

1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

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