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Field Crops

Bolls are open on 50 percent of the State's cotton acreage, and harvesting is underway with 3 percent completed. Cotton condition is mostly fair to good. Alfalfa harvest was active on over three quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa condition remains mostly fair to good. Range and pasture conditions across the State are mostly poor to good, depending on location and elevation.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week western Arizona growers shipped seeded and seedless watermelons.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	0	2	48	33	17
Cotton	0	1	33	52	14
Range and Pasture	15	24	39	19	3

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Bolls Opening	50	34	37	47
• Harvested	3	0	2	0

Weather Summary

Temperatures were above normal in the State for the week ending August 26. Temperatures ranged from 2 degrees above normal at Buckeye, Paloma, and Roll to 10 degrees above normal at Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 111 degrees at Roll and Yuma, and the lowest reading occurred in Grand

Canyon at 42 degrees. Precipitation was reported at 12 of the 22 reporting stations. Safford received the most at 0.76 inches of precipitation and Maricopa and Paloma received the least with 0.01 inches. Five stations are currently above normal precipitation for the year to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data
August 20 - August 26, 2007

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	87	9	105	68	0.00	3.71	-2.65	58
Buckeye	91	2	109	71	0.75	2.56	-1.78	59
Canyon De Chelly	78	7	97	53	0.00	5.27	-0.59	90
Coolidge	88	3	106	71	0.28	4.00	-0.78	84
Douglas	80	5	97	66	0.15	10.14	1.61	119
Flagstaff	68	6	86	51	0.00	7.12	-7.29	49
Grand Canyon	66	8	88	42	0.09	7.85	-5.60	58
Kingman	85	6	100	67	0.00	1.45	-4.88	23
Marana	89	5	106	72	0.09	5.43	-1.78	75
Maricopa	92	5	108	73	0.01	3.81	-0.62	86
Paloma	91	2	109	76	0.01	2.23	-2.06	52
Parker	93	4	109	76	0.00	0.69	-1.99	26
Payson	80	8	96	60	0.00	8.63	-5.03	63
Phoenix	96	6	110	75	0.24	2.60	-1.74	60
Prescott	79	10	96	62	0.00	4.70	-8.16	37
Roll	92	2	111	76	0.00	0.63	-1.15	35
Safford	84	6	101	70	0.76	8.82	3.25	158
St. Johns	77	7	93	60	0.20	7.96	0.78	111
Tucson	88	5	103	74	0.04	7.76	0.53	107
Willcox	82	7	101	65	0.11	11.04	3.00	137
Winslow	80	6	98	61	0.00	4.44	-0.35	93
Yuma	94	4	111	78	0.00	0.13	-1.52	8

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

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