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## Field Crops

Durum wheat and barley emergence has occurred on over half of the acreage. Alfalfa harvest is active on over half of the State's acreage. Alfalfa conditions are mostly fair to good, depending on location. Range and pasture conditions across the State are mostly fair to good but a substantial amount is in poor condition, depending on location and elevation.

## Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week central Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, carrots, Chinese cabbage, greens, miscellaneous Asian vegetables and herbs, parsley, spinach, and citrus. Western Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, Chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, frisee, kale, miscellaneous Asian vegetables and herbs, green onions, parsley, spinach, and citrus. Lettuce shipments included Boston, green leaf, iceberg, red leaf, and romaine.

### Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	1	10	29	43	17
Range and Pasture	1	22	46	25	6

### Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Durum Wheat				
• Emerged	75	65	92	94
Barely				
• Emerged	91	80	94	94

### Weather Summary

Temperatures were above normal across the State for the week ending March 2. Temperatures ranged from 1 degree above normal at Paloma to 10 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon and Yuma. The highest temperature of the week was 89 degrees at Yuma, and

the lowest reading of 13 degrees occurred at Flagstaff. Precipitation was reported at 3 of the 22 stations. Flagstaff received the most at 0.26 inches of precipitation and Prescott received the least with 0.13 inches.

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**Temperature and Precipitation Data  
 February 25 - March 2, 2008**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	57	4	77	37	0.00	2.09	-0.66	76
Buckeye	61	4	83	41	0.00	2.26	0.82	157
Canyon De Chelly	41	2	67	25	0.24	2.47	1.08	178
Coolidge	59	3	85	36	0.00	1.49	-0.37	80
Douglas	57	8	84	29	0.00	0.31	-0.99	24
Flagstaff	37	5	59	13	0.26	6.50	2.13	149
Grand Canyon	38	10	63	16	0.00	4.14	-0.71	85
Kingman	52	4	71	32	0.00	2.91	1.01	153
Marana	62	6	85	42	0.00	1.67	-0.79	68
Maricopa	61	4	84	38	0.00	1.49	-0.14	91
Paloma	59	1	83	38	0.00	1.06	-0.61	63
Parker	62	3	84	41	0.00	1.11	-0.43	72
Payson	49	6	71	29	0.00	5.53	1.37	133
Phoenix	66	7	83	50	0.00	1.97	0.53	137
Prescott	47	8	70	26	0.13	4.13	0.88	127
Roll	61	3	85	39	0.00	0.65	0.06	110
Safford	57	7	83	32	0.00	1.50	0.11	108
St. Johns	46	6	73	21	0.00	1.23	-0.11	92
Tucson	64	9	84	41	0.00	1.39	-0.27	84
Willcox	55	8	82	28	0.00	1.00	-0.72	58
Winslow	47	6	73	24	0.00	1.50	0.47	146
Yuma	72	10	89	55	0.00	0.35	-0.24	59

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

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