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Field Crops

Cotton squaring is 85 percent complete, 9 percentage points below the five year average. Fifty percent of the cotton acreage has set bolls. Cotton condition in the State varies from fair to excellent. Small grain harvest is at least 85 percent complete. Alfalfa harvest remains active on over half of the State's acreage. Alfalfa conditions vary from fair to excellent. Range and pasture conditions across the State are very poor to good, depending on location and elevation.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week central Arizona growers shipped a variety of melons, including cantaloupes, honeydews, seeded and seedless watermelons, and other miscellaneous melons. Western Arizona growers shipped seedless watermelons.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	0	3	24	61	12
Cotton	0	1	30	59	10
Range and Pasture	28	19	32	19	2

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Squaring	85	80	100	94
• Setting Bolls	50	45	70	67

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending July 20, ranging from 4 degrees below normal at Safford to 6 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 111 degrees at various locations, and the

lowest reading of 49 degrees occurred at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 20 of the 22 stations. Willcox received the most at 1.89 inches of precipitation while Maricopa and Parker received the least with 0.01 inches.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data
July 14 - July 20, 2008

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	85	-2	104	67	0.83	4.19	-0.60	87
Buckeye	91	0	110	73	0.00	2.26	-0.97	70
Canyon De Chelly	75	-2	93	58	0.50	5.14	0.94	122
Coolidge	88	2	108	71	0.04	2.64	-0.96	73
Douglas	82	4	100	66	0.97	3.21	-1.46	69
Flagstaff	66	0	87	51	1.28	9.59	-1.43	87
Grand Canyon	68	6	89	49	0.96	7.11	-3.71	66
Kingman	84	2	102	68	0.08	3.50	-1.08	76
Marana	87	1	105	71	0.58	3.60	-1.08	77
Maricopa	90	1	109	75	0.01	4.56	1.14	133
Paloma	90	-1	109	73	0.05	2.16	-1.01	68
Parker	92	3	111	76	0.01	1.96	-0.28	88
Payson	74	-3	92	60	0.12	8.50	-1.34	86
Phoenix	94	0	111	74	1.31	4.57	1.34	141
Prescott	76	3	92	59	0.05	6.17	-2.52	71
Roll	90	0	109	72	0.02	1.10	0.00	100
Safford	80	-4	100	66	1.01	3.62	0.01	100
St. Johns	75	1	94	60	0.22	3.63	-0.97	79
Tucson	86	0	103	70	1.17	5.37	0.92	121
Willcox	79	-1	98	63	1.89	5.72	1.04	122
Winslow	78	-2	100	52	0.04	1.84	-1.28	59
Yuma	96	2	111	83	0.00	0.51	-0.59	46

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

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