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**Field Crops**

Cotton squaring is 90 percent complete, 7 percentage points below the five year average. Sixty percent of the cotton acreage has set bolls. Cotton condition in the State varies from fair to excellent. Small grain harvest is nearing completion across the State. 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	4	26	58	12
Cotton	0	1	30	57	12
Range and Pasture	28	19	31	20	2

**Crop Progress**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Squaring	90	85	100	97
• Setting Bolls	60	50	81	80

**Weather Summary**

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending July 27, ranging from 3 degrees below normal at Payson to 8 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 111 degrees at Phoenix, and the lowest

reading of 48 degrees occurred at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 16 of the 22 stations. Payson received the most at 1.08 inches of precipitation while Marana and Maricopa received the least with 0.01 inches.

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**Temperature and Precipitation Data**  
**July 21 - July 27, 2008**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	86	2	104	70	0.00	4.19	-0.88	83
Buckeye	93	2	108	78	0.00	2.26	-1.18	66
Canyon De Chelly	77	2	92	62	0.25	5.39	0.84	118
Coolidge	89	3	106	73	0.04	2.68	-1.12	71
Douglas	79	1	95	65	0.65	3.86	-1.71	69
Flagstaff	68	1	85	53	0.60	10.19	-1.57	87
Grand Canyon	69	8	88	48	0.28	7.39	-3.98	65
Kingman	84	1	101	68	0.40	3.90	-0.99	80
Marana	87	2	102	73	0.01	3.61	-1.48	71
Maricopa	91	2	107	77	0.01	4.57	0.94	126
Paloma	90	-1	109	71	0.00	2.16	-1.19	64
Parker	93	4	110	73	0.00	1.96	-0.35	85
Payson	74	-3	90	53	1.08	9.58	-0.98	91
Phoenix	96	3	111	85	0.00	4.57	1.13	133
Prescott	76	3	92	63	0.88	7.05	-2.48	74
Roll	89	-2	109	69	0.00	1.10	-0.07	94
Safford	82	-2	99	67	0.16	3.78	-0.27	93
St. Johns	76	2	91	60	0.43	4.06	-1.03	80
Tucson	85	-2	100	73	0.04	5.41	0.33	106
Willcox	80	2	98	64	0.91	6.63	1.25	123
Winslow	80	2	98	63	0.35	2.19	-1.26	63
Yuma	94	-2	108	81	0.74	1.25	0.08	107

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

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