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## Field Crops

Eighty-five percent of the cotton acreage has set bolls, with 20 percent of the bolls opening. Cotton condition in the State varies from fair to excellent. Alfalfa harvest remains active on over half of the State's acreage. Alfalfa conditions vary from fair to excellent.

## Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week central Arizona growers shipped seeded and seedless watermelons.

## Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending August 10, ranging from 1 degree below normal at various locations to 7 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 110 degrees at various locations along the western border of the state. The lowest reading of 48 degrees occurred at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 19 of the 22 stations. Douglas received the most at 2.48 inches of precipitation and Kingman received the least with 0.02 inches.

## Range and Pasture

The month of July brought much needed rains and moisture to rangeland and pastures across Arizona. Most areas of the state had been hit with seasonal rains. The State's rangeland and pasture condition varied from poor to good, depending on location. Arizona cattle and calves were in mostly fair condition. Stock water supplies and soil moisture were short. Insect damage was light.

In Arizona's Northern region, rangeland and pasture condition varied from poor to good. High elevation conditions were good. Mid elevation conditions were mostly fair to good, depending on location. Low elevation conditions were poor. Cattle and calves were in mostly fair condition. Stock water supplies and soil moisture were short. Insect damage was light.

The Central region's rangeland and pasture condition was mostly poor to fair, depending on location. High and low elevation conditions were poor to fair. Mid elevation conditions varied from poor to good. Cattle and calves were in fair condition. Stock water supplies and soil moisture were mostly short. Insect damage was moderate.

In the South, rangeland and pasture conditions varied from fair to excellent, depending on elevation. High and mid elevation pastures were in mostly good condition. Low elevation rangeland varied from fair to excellent condition. Cattle and calves were in mostly fair condition. Stock water supplies and soil moisture were short to adequate. Insect damage was light.

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**Temperature and Precipitation Data  
 August 4 - August 10, 2008**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	85	6	102	70	0.30	4.49	-1.23	78
Buckeye	91	0	107	75	0.00	2.26	-1.63	58
Canyon De Chelly	74	-1	94	56	0.34	5.93	0.68	113
Coolidge	87	2	106	71	0.08	2.76	-1.52	64
Douglas	79	2	94	63	2.48	6.65	-0.50	93
Flagstaff	66	2	84	51	0.81	11.00	-2.12	84
Grand Canyon	67	7	87	48	0.73	8.12	-4.32	65
Kingman	84	2	98	69	0.02	3.92	-1.67	70
Marana	86	1	103	70	0.17	4.58	-1.56	75
Maricopa	90	2	107	73	0.31	4.88	0.83	120
Paloma	91	-1	108	76	0.14	2.30	-1.49	61
Parker	93	4	110	78	0.00	1.96	-0.49	80
Payson	77	3	94	61	1.05	10.87	-1.23	90
Phoenix	93	1	108	75	1.32	5.89	2.00	151
Prescott	74	3	88	59	0.46	8.27	-2.96	74
Roll	93	2	110	75	0.00	1.10	-0.35	76
Safford	81	-1	97	67	0.03	3.81	-1.01	79
St. Johns	74	2	96	58	0.90	4.96	-1.17	81
Tucson	85	0	100	71	0.97	6.38	0.18	103
Willcox	79	2	97	63	0.35	6.98	0.22	103
Winslow	77	0	97	61	0.33	3.05	-1.10	73
Yuma	96	3	110	82	0.11	1.36	-0.09	94

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

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