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Field Crops

Bolls setting was at 95 percent, behind last year, but ahead of the five-year average of 94 percent. Bolls opening were at 34 percent, behind last year and the five-year average of 46 and 36 percent, respectively. The cotton crop condition continues to be rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location. Arizona's alfalfa conditions are rated in mostly good to fair condition. Harvesting occurred on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped potatoes last week. Western Arizona growers had no movement last week.

Range and Pasture

Moisture is needed across the State, to ease the overall drought conditions. Range and Pastures were rated in mostly very poor to fair condition, depending on location.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	0	3	27	48	22
Range and Pasture	52	15	17	15	1
Cotton	0	1	14	50	35

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Setting Bolls	95	92	98	94
• Bolls Opening	34	29	46	36

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending August 18, 2013, ranging from 3 degrees below normal at Bullhead City and Canyon De Chelly to 8 degrees above normal at Phoenix and Tucson. The highest temperature of the week was 117 degrees recorded in Bullhead City. The lowest reading was 39

degrees at the Grand Canyon. Sixteen of the 22 weather stations recorded precipitation last week. Coolidge received the least precipitation at 0.01 inches and Flagstaff received the most at 0.84 inches. Eighteen of the 22 stations have received more than 50 percent of normal precipitation.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
August 12, 2013 - August 18, 2013								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	86	7	106	60	0.30	3.22	-2.82	53
Buckeye	91	1	112	68	0.10	3.37	-0.73	82
Bullhead City	93	-3	117	67	0.09	1.37	-2.45	36
Canyon De Chelly	72	-3	91	53	0.10	4.34	-1.20	78
Coolidge	90	4	111	63	0.01	4.37	-0.17	96
Douglas	79	3	97	63	0.07	13.03	5.19	166
Flagstaff	66	2	84	44	0.84	13.90	0.15	101
Grand Canyon	65	6	90	39	0.03	3.66	-9.27	28
Kingman	84	3	103	60	0.16	2.83	-3.10	48
Maricopa	92	4	111	69	0.00	2.45	-1.81	58
Paloma	92	2	113	63	0.07	2.87	-1.18	71
Parker	89	-1	113	60	0.00	1.66	-0.92	64
Payson	76	3	93	55	0.02	13.87	1.01	108
Phoenix	99	8	114	82	0.00	4.39	0.29	107
Prescott	76	7	92	59	0.20	6.03	-5.99	50
Roll	92	1	114	59	0.00	1.42	-0.20	88
Safford	83	3	99	66	0.15	3.73	-1.44	72
St. Johns	75	3	94	54	0.26	4.58	-2.04	69
Tucson	92	8	108	73	0.00	3.74	-2.95	56
Willcox	81	5	102	54	0.09	6.80	-0.59	92
Winslow	77	1	97	57	0.06	4.03	-0.44	90
Yuma	96	4	112	76	0.00	1.13	-0.49	70

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

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