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Field Crops

Bolls setting was at 98 percent, behind last year, but remains the same as the five-year average. Bolls opening were at 41 percent, behind last year and the five-year average of 63 and 48 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

Monsoon rains brought in moisture to some locations across the State, but not enough 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	2	20	54	24
Range and Pasture	47	12	20	20	1
Cotton	0	1	13	52	34

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Setting Bolls	98	95	99	98
• Bolls Opening	41	34	63	48

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending August 25, 2013, ranging from 4 degrees below normal at Bullhead City to 7 degrees above normal at the Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 113 degrees recorded in Roll. The lowest reading was 47 degrees at the Grand Canyon. Twenty of

the 22 weather stations recorded precipitation last week. Coolidge and Yuma received the least precipitation at 0.02 inches and Grand Canyon received the most at 1.75 inches. Twenty of the 22 stations have received more than 50 percent of normal precipitation.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data

August 19, 2013 - August 25, 2013

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	83	5	104	64	1.42	4.64	-1.68	73
Buckeye	89	-2	109	71	0.53	3.90	-0.41	90
Bullhead City	90	-4	112	71	0.96	2.54	-1.44	64
Canyon De Chelly	73	2	94	53	0.36	4.70	-1.12	81
Coolidge	88	3	108	71	0.02	4.39	-0.36	92
Douglas	79	3	98	61	0.25	13.28	4.83	157
Flagstaff	65	3	83	47	0.30	14.20	-0.13	99
Grand Canyon	65	7	86	48	1.75	5.41	-7.98	40
Kingman	81	2	99	65	0.35	3.18	-3.10	51
Maricopa	90	3	109	75	0.00	2.45	-1.96	56
Paloma	91	1	110	75	0.09	2.96	-1.30	69
Parker	89	-1	110	73	0.05	1.71	-0.96	64
Payson	76	4	92	56	0.32	14.19	0.63	105
Phoenix	96	6	111	80	0.00	4.39	0.08	102
Prescott	75	6	93	58	0.27	6.30	-6.46	49
Roll	90	-2	113	74	0.03	1.45	-0.31	82
Safford	82	3	100	64	0.53	4.26	-1.26	77
St. Johns	73	3	92	54	0.31	4.89	-2.22	69
Tucson	89	6	107	72	0.06	3.80	-3.37	53
Willcox	79	4	101	58	0.73	7.53	-0.43	95
Winslow	77	3	97	60	0.64	4.67	-0.08	98
Yuma	96	5	112	77	0.02	1.15	-0.61	65

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

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