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Field Crops

Cotton bolls have opened on 80 percent of the cotton acreage, 12 percentage points behind the 5-year average and 19 points behind last year. Cotton harvesting is underway, depending on location. Ninety-seven percent of the cotton crop was rated in fair to excellent condition. Alfalfa conditions were mostly good to excellent. Harvesting occurred on three-fourths of the alfalfa acreage across the State. This week there were 7.0 days suitable for field work.

Range and Pasture

Moisture conditions were the same as last week throughout the State, with dry forage conditions in most areas. Range and pasture conditions ranged from very poor to excellent, depending on location.

Moisture Conditions

	Subsoil Moisture	Topsoil Moisture
	- Percent -	
Very Short	8	1
Short	33	35
Adequate	59	64
Surplus	0	0

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped lemons, cantaloupes, and honeydews last week.

Western Arizona growers had no movement this last week.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	6	5	23	39	27
Cotton	0	3	10	47	40
Range and Pasture	12	15	30	39	4

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton, Bolls Opening	80	75	99	92
Cotton, Defoliated	30	25	25	31
Cotton, Harvested	10	5	7	16

N/A – Not Available

Temperature and Precipitation Data								
September 22, 2014 - September 28, 2014								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	77	3	100	55	0.88	6.46	0.07	101
Ajo	87	5	105	68	0.78	6.18	0.49	109
Anvil Ranch	79	4	97	62	0.00	8.66	-1.05	89
Betatakin	66	7	82	45	0.17	4.52	-4.60	50
Bisbee	71	5	88	56	0.58	17.03	1.24	108
Buckeye	84	4	105	64	0.73	10.04	4.37	177
Bullhead City	84	-1	107	62	0.00	4.59	0.07	102
Canyon De Chelly	68	5	88	46	0.63	5.56	-1.38	80
Coolidge	82	3	102	62	0.08	3.90	-2.88	58
Douglas	74	4	90	59	0.79	12.97	2.41	123
Flagstaff	59	5	78	41	1.00	15.64	-1.53	91
Fort Grant	74	5	87	61	0.40	13.71	3.96	141
Grand Canyon	59	4	83	34	1.04	7.59	-5.10	60
Heber	67	9	85	46	0.97	11.54	-2.85	80
Kingman	75	4	95	54	2.38	7.89	0.27	104
Maricopa	83	4	102	65	1.03	6.67	1.00	118
Nogales	79	9	95	64	0.44	15.82	1.60	111
Page	74	7	94	35	0.84	3.27	-1.38	70
Paloma	83	-2	105	62	0.33	2.49	-2.58	49
Paradise	68	0	80	50	0.39	24.30	8.51	154
Parker	80	-4	101	58	0.00	2.62	-0.13	95
Payson	69	5	90	52	2.04	11.38	-5.23	69
Phoenix	89	7	104	71	1.66	7.32	1.53	126
Pipe Springs	68	5	90	46	1.81	7.37	-1.27	85
Prescott	69	5	88	49	1.36	9.99	-1.11	90
Robson Ranch	84	4	102	66	0.00	6.49	-0.93	87
Roll	84	3	107	59	0.08	2.09	-1.19	64
Roosevelt	84	7	100	65	2.00	11.33	-0.25	98
Safford	78	6	95	66	0.64	9.33	2.19	131
St. Johns	70	8	89	52	0.43	6.14	-2.72	69
San Carlos	75	-2	96	50	0.48	8.89	-2.16	80
Seligman	65	3	89	43	0.66	8.32	-1.83	82
Springerville	67	11	85	52	0.86	9.81	0.03	100
Tec_Nos_Pos	67	4	85	48	1.12	6.29	0.61	111
Tucson	85	7	99	70	0.00	6.67	-2.51	73
Willcox	76	6	94	60	0.00	11.36	1.48	115
Window Rock	65	9	84	42	1.03	5.04	-3.11	62
Winslow	72	8	92	48	1.03	5.56	-0.42	93
Yuma	91	7	109	69	0.00	2.74	0.31	113

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

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