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Field Crops

Cotton bolls have opened on 90 percent of the cotton acreage, 6 percentage points behind the 5-year average. Cotton harvesting is underway, depending on location. Ninety-seven percent of the cotton crop was rated in fair to excellent condition. Alfalfa conditions were fair 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

More rain fell at the end of last week throughout the State, with enough moisture and forage leftover to winter. This has been a record summer for rain. 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 cantaloupes and honeydews last week.

Western Arizona growers had no movement this last week.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	5	6	24	37	28
Cotton	0	3	11	47	39
Range and Pasture	12	15	30	38	5

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton, Bolls Opening	90	80	NA	96
Cotton, Defoliated	35	30	NA	31
Cotton, Harvested	15	10	NA	20

NA – Not Available

Due to a lapse in federal funding in October 2013, the Crop Progress reports for the weeks ending October 6, 2013 and October 13, 2013 were canceled. Therefore, previous year estimates for the corresponding weeks will not be available. Five-year average estimates will reflect the years 2009-2013 using published estimates for 2009-2012 and imputed estimates for 2013.

Temperature and Precipitation Data								
September 29, 2014 - October 5, 2014								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	72	-2	95	51	0.00	6.46	-0.07	99
Ajo	79	-2	98	62	0.65	6.83	1.00	117
Anvil Ranch	73	0	95	52	0.00	8.66	-1.33	87
Betatakin	55	-3	71	40	0.05	4.57	-4.83	49
Bisbee	66	3	88	44	0.00	17.03	0.81	105
Buckeye	76	-3	97	55	0.00	10.04	4.23	173
Bullhead City	77	-5	99	55	0.00	4.59	0.00	100
Canyon De Chelly	54	-8	73	34	0.11	5.67	-1.48	79
Coolidge	72	-6	99	47	0.00	3.90	-3.08	56
Douglas	68	-2	90	43	0.00	12.97	2.06	119
Flagstaff	49	-4	74	28	0.04	15.68	-1.96	89
Fort Grant	68	1	83	50	0.00	13.71	3.68	137
Grand Canyon	49	-6	74	27	0.00	7.59	-5.38	59
Heber	55	-2	81	32	0.00	12.45	-2.36	84
Kingman	66	-4	87	44	0.06	7.95	0.19	102
Maricopa	74	-4	96	54	0.00	6.67	0.82	114
Nogales	71	3	93	50	0.01	15.83	1.22	108
Page	58	-7	79	35	0.11	3.38	-1.48	70
Paloma	75	-7	100	54	0.00	2.49	-2.65	48
Paradise	63	-4	85	40	0.00	24.30	8.11	150
Parker	73	-8	99	48	0.00	2.62	-0.20	93
Payson	61	-3	83	37	0.00	11.38	-5.65	67
Phoenix	80	-1	99	66	0.00	7.32	1.36	123
Pipe Springs	57	-5	80	38	0.25	7.62	-1.23	86
Prescott	59	-4	82	39	0.00	9.99	-1.39	88
Robson Ranch	75	-4	98	55	0.00	6.49	-1.14	85
Roll	76	-4	102	53	0.00	2.09	-1.26	62
Roosevelt	74	-2	91	60	0.00	11.33	-0.57	95
Safford	68	-3	90	47	0.00	8.02	0.60	108
St. Johns	58	-3	78	34	0.22	6.36	-2.78	70
San Carlos	70	-5	93	40	0.00	8.89	-2.44	78
Seligman	59	-2	84	37	0.00	8.32	-2.05	80
Springerville	55	2	75	29	0.00	9.81	-0.25	98
Tec_Nos_Pos	55	-7	86	36	0.45	6.40	0.51	109
Tucson	77	2	98	58	0.00	6.67	-2.81	70
Willcox	67	-1	90	43	0.00	11.36	1.20	112
Window Rock	52	-3	76	30	0.19	5.23	-3.20	62
Winslow	59	-4	81	34	0.02	5.58	-0.61	90
Yuma	83	0	103	67	0.00	2.74	0.24	110

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

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