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Field Crops

Bolls are open on 90 percent of the State's cotton acreage and harvesting is 12 percent completed. Cotton condition is mostly fair to good. Alfalfa harvest was active on over three quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa condition remains mostly fair to good. Range and pasture conditions across the State vary from poor to good, depending on location and elevation.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week western Arizona growers shipped seeded and seedless watermelons.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	0	2	43	36	19
Cotton	0	1	33	55	11
Range and Pasture	14	24	38	21	3

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Bolls Opening	90	79	83	91
• Harvested	12	10	14	10

Weather Summary

Temperatures were varied across the State for the week ending September 23. Temperatures ranged from 9 degrees below normal at Parker and Yuma to 5 degrees above normal at various locations. The highest temperature of the week was 103 degrees at Phoenix, and the lowest reading occurred in Grand Canyon at 27

degrees. Precipitation was reported at 18 of the 22 reporting stations. Payson received the most at 3.96 inches of precipitation and Yuma received the least with 0.01 inches. Three stations are currently above normal precipitation for the year to date.

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**Temperature and Precipitation Data
 September 17 - September 23, 2007**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	73	-7	92	52	0.18	4.09	-3.21	56
Buckeye	79	-6	98	59	0.19	2.96	-2.22	57
Canyon De Chelly	67	3	86	47	0.35	6.23	-0.55	92
Coolidge	77	-4	98	54	0.00	4.12	-1.08	79
Douglas	75	4	91	57	0.03	10.95	0.61	106
Flagstaff	56	-1	75	30	2.63	11.36	-5.06	69
Grand Canyon	57	5	80	27	0.88	9.92	-4.96	67
Kingman	71	-3	92	49	0.13	1.91	-5.33	26
Marana	82	2	98	64	0.00	5.65	-2.30	71
Maricopa	80	-2	99	59	0.00	3.90	-1.11	78
Paloma	78	-7	100	58	0.00	2.86	-1.90	60
Parker	75	-9	97	55	0.11	0.80	-2.16	27
Payson	65	-1	87	40	3.96	13.34	-2.49	84
Phoenix	87	3	103	71	0.07	2.67	-2.51	52
Prescott	67	4	84	43	1.23	6.07	-8.92	40
Roll	79	-8	98	57	0.08	0.92	-1.20	43
Safford	78	5	97	57	0.06	9.19	2.31	134
St. Johns	68	5	87	47	0.19	8.25	-0.38	96
Tucson	81	3	94	65	0.33	8.22	-0.63	93
Willcox	75	5	92	56	0.07	11.48	1.90	120
Winslow	71	4	91	46	0.05	5.11	-0.58	90
Yuma	77	-9	96	60	0.01	0.34	-1.93	15

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

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