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Field Crops

Durum wheat and barley are mature on at least 60 percent of the acreage. Small grain harvesting is continuing across the State. Cotton planting is virtually complete on the acreage across the State. Cotton squaring has begun in the western part of the State. Alfalfa harvest remains active on over three-quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa conditions remain mostly good to excellent. Range and pasture conditions vary from mostly very poor to fair, depending on location and elevation.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, carrots, honeydews, miscellaneous melons, dry onions, and potatoes this week.

Western growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, miscellaneous melons, and seedless watermelons.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>- Percent -</i>				
Alfalfa	0	3	14	36	47
Cotton	0	1	27	49	23
Range and Pasture	34	20	25	16	5

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	<i>- Percent -</i>			
Durum Wheat				
• Mature	60	50	59	54
• Harvested	10	2	9	10
Barley				
• Mature	75	61	63	68
• Harvested	20	13	19	17

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending May 31, ranging from 4 degrees below normal at St. Johns to 5 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon, Phoenix, and Willcox. The highest temperature of the week was 104 degrees at Parker and the lowest reading of 33 degrees occurred at

Flagstaff. Precipitation was reported at 11 of the 22 stations. Flagstaff received the most at 0.83 inches of precipitation. Kingman received the least with 0.02 inches. After this week's precipitation, there are still no reporting stations with above normal precipitation to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data
May 25, 2009 - May 31, 2009

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	77	3	96	56	0.00	1.62	-2.31	41
Buckeye	82	1	102	63	0.00	1.00	-1.57	39
Canyon De Chelly	62	-2	84	44	0.23	2.49	-0.62	80
Coolidge	79	0	101	56	0.00	1.54	-1.70	48
Douglas	72	2	92	49	0.11	1.22	-0.84	59
Flagstaff	52	-3	73	33	0.83	5.10	-3.78	57
Grand Canyon	54	5	74	34	0.35	4.24	-4.82	47
Kingman	73	3	92	53	0.02	2.51	-1.19	68
Marana	80	3	100	61	0.00	1.80	-1.97	48
Maricopa	82	2	101	62	0.00	0.86	-2.01	30
Paloma	80	-2	102	57	0.00	1.14	-1.70	40
Parker	82	2	104	62	0.00	0.59	-1.49	28
Payson	65	1	84	46	0.18	5.80	-2.10	73
Phoenix	87	5	102	73	0.00	1.93	-0.64	75
Prescott	64	3	81	43	0.20	2.92	-3.33	47
Roll	79	-3	103	55	0.00	0.61	-0.35	64
Safford	74	2	94	53	0.03	1.56	-0.68	70
St. Johns	60	-4	79	42	0.07	1.19	-1.79	40
Tucson	80	3	99	63	0.00	2.39	-0.38	86
Willcox	73	5	92	52	0.03	2.66	-0.05	98
Winslow	64	-3	85	42	0.17	1.29	-0.80	62
Yuma	85	4	102	68	0.00	0.64	-0.32	67

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

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