COTTON ADVISORY

HEAT UNITS
HUs are running about 3 days behind normal.

SOIL TEMPERATURES
Last Week’s 8am Soil Temp: Max = 65.3 APR 8; Min = 59.5 APR 11
Last Week’s Rain: Maricopa = 0” / Coolidge = 0”

WEATHER UPDATE
• A sunny & warm Monday will be followed by a period of unsettled weather mid-week as a trough of low pressure moves across AZ on Tuesday. Expect increasing winds with this system, much cooler temperatures & a chance for precipitation Tuesday. Strong high pressure will build over AZ late in the week, allowing temperatures to return to above normal levels. Longer term forecasts foresee the passage of some weak atmospheric disturbances this weekend, but these systems are expected to be dry & produce only slight cooling.
• A good planting forecast calls for clear skies with high temperatures above 80F and lows in the upper 40s or higher. Such conditions typically keep minimum soil temperatures above 60F & result in acceptable germination.

Go to [https://www.ag.arizona.edu/azmet/cot-soil.htm](https://www.ag.arizona.edu/azmet/cot-soil.htm) to review local AZMET values.

Below are this week’s Cotton Advisories for Pinal County

Coolidge / Maricopa / Pinal

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CUSTOM RATE SURVEY

Custom rates for different jobs for each crop are always changing. We ask for your help to gather information that can update average custom rates and see the relative changes over the years.

CLICK HERE for a file constructed by UA Ag Economist, Trent Teegerstrom. Please, fill in “Your Rate” Columns for jobs that are relevant to your operation. Note that we left in the old costs from 2014 (Per Hour or Per Acre) as we want to see how different they are from current numbers.

You can send the file with your responses as an attachment to my email (bee1@email.arizona.edu)
OR print and send it as hard copy by fax or mail to my address below:

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This survey is anonymous and your responses are confidential.