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Field Crops

Cotton harvesting is virtually complete, ahead of last year at 94 percent, and ahead of the five-year average of 98 percent. Alfalfa conditions range from poor to good depending on location. Sheeping off is mostly active in western and central alfalfa acres in the State. Range and pasture conditions are mostly very poor.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cilantro, greens, honeydews, curly parsley, spinach, and lemons.

Western Arizona growers shipped anise, arugula, broccoli, cabbage, cantaloupes, cauliflower, celery, cilantro, Chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, frisee, kale, Boston, iceberg, and romaine lettuce, and green leaf, red leaf lettuce, bok choy, parsley, spinach, and other miscellaneous melons this week.

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending January 10, ranging from 10 degrees below normal at Canyon De Chelly to 7 degrees above normal at Yuma. The highest temperature of the week was 76 degrees at Roll, and the lowest reading of 1 degree occurred at Grand Canyon. There was no precipitation recorded at any of the 22 stations.

Range and Pasture

The State's rangeland and pastures continued extremely dry throughout the month of December. Occasional showers mostly in the South central areas of Arizona occurred, but not enough for winter feed. Temperatures statewide were mostly below normal for December. Range and pasture conditions were poor to mostly fair across the State. Arizona cattle and calves were in fair condition. Stock water and soil moisture levels were mostly short. Insect damage remained mostly light.

In Arizona's Northern region, rangeland and pasture conditions varied from very poor to good, depending on location. Low elevation pastures were in mostly poor condition. Mid elevation pastures were very poor to poor. High elevation pastures were mostly fair to good, depending on location. Cattle and calves were in mostly poor to fair condition. Stock water and soil moisture levels were mostly short. Insect damage remained mostly light.

In the Central areas of the State, rangeland and pasture conditions were mostly fair. Pasture conditions in low and high elevations were mostly fair. Mid elevation conditions varied from very poor to fair, depending on location. Cattle and calves were in fair condition. Stock water supplies and soil moisture were mostly short. Insect damage was mostly light.

In the Southern region, rangeland conditions varied from mostly poor to fair, depending on location. Low elevation pastures were mostly poor. Mid elevation conditions varied from poor to mostly fair. Cattle remain in fair condition. Stock water and soil moisture levels remain mostly short. Insect damage was light.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data
January 4, 2010 - January 10, 2010

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	52	5	71	32	0.00	5.54	-3.98	58
Buckeye	54	2	74	35	0.00	3.11	-4.80	39
Canyon De Chelly	20	-10	43	3	0.00	5.32	-4.59	54
Coolidge	52	3	74	32	0.00	3.47	-4.18	45
Douglas	44	1	68	21	0.00	6.14	-7.58	45
Flagstaff	29	0	54	3	0.00	10.01	-13.49	43
Grand Canyon	27	2	51	1	0.00	10.49	-10.57	50
Kingman	43	2	61	24	0.00	5.18	-4.91	51
Marana	55	5	75	34	0.00	5.13	-5.62	48
Maricopa	51	1	73	31	0.00	3.83	-3.18	55
Paloma	52	-1	73	31	0.00	2.01	-4.04	33
Parker	50	-2	70	30	0.00	1.62	-2.13	43
Payson	40	2	61	15	0.00	11.31	-11.47	50
Phoenix	58	6	74	44	0.00	3.28	-4.63	41
Prescott	40	5	59	16	0.00	7.81	-12.32	39
Roll	53	-1	76	30	0.00	0.92	-2.39	28
Safford	45	3	63	25	0.00	4.86	-5.08	49
St. Johns	29	-4	47	10	0.00	3.90	-7.74	34
Tucson	55	6	74	34	0.00	5.99	-6.31	49
Willcox	46	5	67	23	0.00	10.24	-3.02	77
Winslow	28	-3	48	7	0.00	3.06	-5.18	37
Yuma	62	7	74	45	0.00	2.44	-0.87	74

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

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