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Field Crops

Cotton planting is 20 percent complete, ahead of the 5-year average of 16 percent. Alfalfa conditions are mostly fair to excellent, depending on location. Harvesting is occurring on three-quarters of the growing areas across the State.

Range and Pasture

Rangeland conditions improved from the previous week but continue to vary from very poor to good, depending on location. Even with the recent storm dry conditions remain for most of the State.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, kale greens, cilantro, parsley and citrus.

Western Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, cilantro, Chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, frisee, kale greens, Boston, green leaf, iceberg, red leaf, romaine, and other lettuces. Also shipped this week were arugula, bok choy, parsley, radicchio, spinach and citrus.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	-	3	30	47	20
Range and Pasture	25	21	37	17	-

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Planted	20	10	14	16

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal for the week ending April 1, ranging from 12 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon to 2 degrees below normal at Parker. The highest temperature of the week was 94 degrees at

Phoenix. The lowest reading was 21 degrees at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was not recorded in any of the 21 weather stations. All weather stations have below normal precipitation to date in 2012.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
March 26, 2012 - April 1, 2012								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	61	3	85	38	0.00	0.71	-2.84	20
Buckeye	65	3	90	46	0.00	0.84	-1.43	37
Canyon De Chelly	57	11	78	32	0.00	0.59	-1.52	28
Coolidge	64	3	92	41	0.00	1.40	-1.31	52
Douglas	63	8	86	39	0.00	0.37	-1.29	22
Flagstaff	46	8	66	25	0.00	3.22	-3.60	47
Grand Canyon	46	12	69	21	0.00	2.72	-4.44	38
Kingman	59	7	80	39	0.00	1.81	-1.15	61
Maricopa	67	4	93	44	0.00	0.25	-2.19	10
Paloma	64	0	90	41	0.00	0.51	-1.90	21
Parker	64	-2	87	39	0.00	0.28	-1.63	15
Payson	53	5	74	30	0.00	1.41	-4.98	22
Phoenix	74	9	94	57	0.00	0.25	-2.02	11
Prescott	55	11	74	34	0.00	1.83	-3.14	37
Roll	64	0	92	38	0.00	0.14	-0.65	18
Safford	63	7	88	39	0.00	1.07	-0.80	57
St. Johns	55	8	80	26	0.00	0.36	-1.81	17
Tucson	69	8	91	48	0.00	0.56	-1.75	24
Willcox	61	8	85	35	0.00	0.84	-1.41	37
Winslow	59	11	82	30	0.00	0.47	-1.07	31
Yuma	71	4	91	53	0.00	0.04	-0.75	5

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

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