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Field Crops

Arizona's cotton harvest is virtually complete ahead of last year and the 5-year average. Alfalfa conditions remained mostly fair to excellent. Harvesting occurred on a third of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Sheep continue to graze on various alfalfa fields in many areas. Seventy percent of the durum wheat and 75 percent of the barley planting was complete by week's end.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

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

Last week western Arizona growers shipped anise, arrugula, bok choy, broccoli, cabbage, Chinese cabbage, cauliflower, celery, cilantro, endive, escarole, frisee, kale, parsley, spinach and various lettuces including Boston, iceberg, red leaf, green leaf, and romaine. Various citrus was also shipped in Arizona.

Range and Pasture

The cold temperatures and occasional precipitation this week have prevented an increase in drought conditions. More precipitation is needed to alleviate the dry conditions. Rangeland conditions vary from mostly very poor to fair, depending on location.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	1	10	40	35	14
Range and Pasture	44	18	25	11	2

Weather Summary

Temperatures were below normal across the State for the week ending January 13, 2013, ranging from 10 degrees below normal at Paloma to 1 degree below normal at Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 75 degrees at Parker. The lowest reading

was -19 degrees at the Grand Canyon. Seven of the 22 weather stations recorded precipitation last week. Phoenix received the least precipitation at .01 inches and Canyon De Chelly received the most at .06 inches.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
January 7, 2013 - January 13, 2013								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	42	-7	69	14	0.00	0.00	-0.44	0
Buckeye	44	-9	70	21	0.00	0.00	-0.31	0
Bullhead City	49	N/A	69	28	0.00	0.00	-0.39	0
Canyon De Chelly	22	-8	44	1	0.06	0.06	-0.30	17
Coolidge	42	-9	70	16	0.00	0.00	-0.37	0
Douglas	42	-3	66	9	0.00	0.24	-0.13	65
Flagstaff	23	-6	47	-6	0.05	0.05	-0.86	5
Grand Canyon	21	-6	49	-19	0.00	0.00	-1.04	0
Kingman	39	-4	64	10	0.05	0.05	-0.34	13
Maricopa	43	-8	69	18	0.00	0.01	-0.25	4
Paloma	44	-10	72	19	0.00	0.00	-0.26	0
Parker	47	-6	75	19	0.00	0.00	-0.29	0
Payson	34	-5	61	7	0.00	0.02	-0.89	2
Phoenix	51	-3	72	32	0.01	0.01	-0.30	3
Prescott	35	-1	62	10	0.00	0.00	-0.65	0
Roll	48	-7	74	24	0.00	0.00	-0.17	0
Safford	41	-3	66	13	0.00	0.00	-0.32	0
St. Johns	28	-5	56	4	0.02	0.04	-0.27	13
Tucson	46	-5	70	24	0.03	0.04	-0.35	10
Willcox	38	-6	67	7	0.00	0.00	-0.43	0
Winslow	30	-2	57	8	0.02	0.03	-0.20	13
Yuma	54	-3	73	37	0.00	0.00	-0.17	0

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

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