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## Field Crops

Small grain plantings remained active in the State. Alfalfa harvest is active on roughly a quarter of the State's acreage. Alfalfa conditions are mostly poor to good, depending on location. Range and pasture conditions across the State are mostly fair to good but a substantial amount is in very poor to poor condition, depending on location and elevation.

## Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week central Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, carrots, Chinese cabbage, greens, miscellaneous Asian vegetables and herbs, parsley, spinach, and citrus. Western Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, Chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, frisee, greens, kale, miscellaneous Asian vegetables and herbs, parsley, green onions, parsley, spinach, and citrus. Lettuce shipments included Boston, green leaf, iceberg, red leaf, and romaine.

### Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	9	20	41	22	8
Range and Pasture	8	21	38	26	7

### Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Durum Wheat				
• Planted	65	50	85	85
Barely				
• Planted	75	60	90	89

## Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending January 27. Temperatures ranged from 5 degrees below normal at Aguila and Paloma to 4 degrees above normal at Douglas. The highest temperature of the week was 73 degrees at

Coolidge, and the lowest reading of 0 degrees occurred at Flagstaff. Precipitation was reported at 19 of the 22 stations. Buckeye received the most at 1.55 inches of precipitation and Douglas and Prescott received the least with 0.01 inches.

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**Temperature and Precipitation Data  
 January 21 - January 27, 2008**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	45	-5	63	26	1.11	1.47	0.45	144
Buckeye	50	-4	68	29	1.55	2.05	1.46	347
Canyon De Chelly	28	-4	42	7	0.00	0.55	-0.09	86
Coolidge	50	-2	73	29	0.39	0.71	-0.02	97
Douglas	49	4	64	30	0.01	0.04	-0.61	6
Flagstaff	26	-4	42	0	0.21	2.37	0.61	135
Grand Canyon	27	1	45	5	0.11	1.80	-0.38	83
Kingman	42	-2	56	25	0.31	1.72	0.91	212
Marana	53	2	72	35	0.22	0.46	-0.47	49
Maricopa	50	-2	69	30	0.66	0.98	0.39	166
Paloma	50	-5	69	28	0.84	1.06	0.52	196
Parker	51	-3	67	32	0.86	1.04	0.33	146
Payson	41	3	57	25	0.36	1.67	-0.10	94
Phoenix	55	1	71	39	0.02	0.58	-0.01	98
Prescott	38	2	54	19	0.01	1.11	-0.22	83
Roll	51	-4	69	28	0.62	0.65	0.34	210
Safford	47	3	70	21	0.08	0.30	-0.30	50
St. Johns	35	2	56	14	0.02	0.12	-0.47	20
Tucson	54	3	70	34	0.00	0.13	-0.66	16
Willcox	45	3	66	20	0.05	0.43	-0.42	51
Winslow	36	3	58	11	0.00	0.32	-0.05	86
Yuma	59	2	69	44	0.20	0.21	-0.10	68

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

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