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### Field Crops Report

As of January 5, **cotton** harvest was virtually complete, with 99 percent harvested statewide.

**Alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 48 percent not being harvested, 12 percent light, 16 percent moderate, and 24 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 5 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 49 percent good, and 19 percent excellent. Sheep continue to graze on alfalfa fields for winter pasture.

### Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

**Range and Pasture** conditions were reported as 33 percent very poor, 41 percent poor, 22 percent fair, and 4 percent good. **Livestock** were reported to be in fair condition. **Stock Water** was reported as short. **Soil Moisture** was reported as short. **Insect Damage** was reported as none to light.

### Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, head lettuce, mixed greens, leaf lettuce, napa, parsley, romaine and spinach, while eastern Arizona producers shipped tomatoes. Producers in western Arizona shipped anise, bok choy, broccoflower, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, cilantro, endive, escarole, kale, mixed greens, napa, parsley, radicchio, rapini, salad savoy, spinach and spring mix. Western lettuce shipments included boston, iceberg, leaf and romaine.

Citrus producers in central and western Arizona shipped grapefruit, lemons, navels and tangerines last week.

### Weather Summary

Temperatures for most of the State were above average for the week ending January 4. Temperatures ranged from seven degrees below normal at Winslow to 5 degrees above normal at Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 80 degrees at Gila Bend, Phoenix, and Yuma, while the lowest reading was 4 degrees at Winslow. Precipitation was reported at 8 of the 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.01 inches at Kingman to 0.11 inches at Grand Canyon.



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**Weather Information Table (temperatures, precipitation, and/or growing degree days)**

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA  
 FOR THE WEEK DECEMBER 29, 2002 TO JANUARY 4, 2003**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	30	3	51	18	0.07	6.72	9.53
Casa Grande	51	1	75	31	0.00	3.98	9.22
Coolidge	50	1	77	29	0.00	4.45	9.61
Douglas	45	-1	71	21	0.00	9.34	13.76
Flagstaff	29	2	56	7	0.08	12.66	22.91
Gila Bend	54	1	80	34	0.00	2.04	7.01
Grand Canyon	30	2	59	8	0.11	7.73	16.50
Kingman	42	3	65	26	0.01	6.76	10.00
Parker	53	0	74	35	0.00	0.30	5.17
Payson	39	1	67	22	0.10	10.02	22.07
Phoenix	53	4	80	39	0.00	2.82	7.66
Prescott Airport	36	5	67	21	0.02	5.31	14.03
Safford Ag Center	44	2	68	23	0.00	6.06	9.79
Tucson	51	1	77	33	0.03	7.86	12.17
Willcox	43	1	68	22	0.00	6.55	13.35
Winslow	33	-7	49	4	0.10	4.25	8.03
Yuma	56	1	80	38	0.00	0.03	3.01

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

2/ Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.

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