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Field Crops

Cotton harvested is wrapping up across the State. Small grain plantings remained active in the western part of the State. Alfalfa harvest is active on slightly under half of the State's acreage. Alfalfa condition remains mostly fair to good. 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, cantaloupes, carrots, Chinese cabbage, greens, miscellaneous Asian vegetables, miscellaneous herbs, parsley, spinach, and citrus. Western Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, Chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, frisee, kale, miscellaneous Asian vegetables and herbs, parsley, green onions, spinach, Swiss chard, and citrus. Lettuce shipments included Boston, green leaf, iceberg, red leaf, and romaine.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	0	14	34	39	13
Range and Pasture	11	20	41	22	6

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton • Harvested	95	93	97	95

Weather Summary

Temperatures were below normal across the State for the week ending December 30. Temperatures ranged from 3 degrees above normal at Yuma to 10 degrees below normal at Coolidge. The highest temperature of the week was 79 degrees at Yuma and the lowest reading of 1 degree occurred at Canyon De Chelly,

Flagstaff, and Grand Canyon. Precipitation was virtually non-existent with only 0.01 inches reported at Grand Canyon and Winslow. All but two of the 22 stations are currently below normal precipitation for the year to date.

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**Temperature and Precipitation Data
 December 24 - December 30, 2007**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila_UA	42	-6	66	24	0.00	5.96	-3.21	65
Buckeye_UA	45	-7	67	27	0.00	4.38	-3.25	57
Canyon_De_Chell	24	-6	43	1	0.00	8.07	-1.54	84
Coolidge_UA	41	-10	65	19	0.00	6.16	-1.16	84
Douglas_Bisbee	38	-7	65	12	0.00	12.69	-0.70	95
Flagstaff_AP	23	-7	50	1	0.00	17.44	-5.29	77
Grand_Canyon_Pa	23	-4	52	1	0.01	13.02	-7.17	64
Kingman_AP	36	-7	60	21	0.00	4.00	-5.76	41
Marana_UA	43	-8	66	28	0.00	9.52	-0.83	92
Maricopa_UA	42	-8	65	24	0.00	6.04	-0.75	89
Paloma_UA	43	-8	66	22	0.00	3.93	-1.90	67
Parker_UA	46	-5	69	26	0.00	1.60	-1.93	45
Payson	36	-3	58	21	0.00	17.11	-4.90	78
Phoenix_Sky_AP	48	-5	67	36	0.00	5.05	-2.58	66
Prescott_AP	33	-3	60	15	0.00	8.41	-11.17	43
Roll_UA	45	-7	67	24	0.00	2.06	-1.10	65
Safford_Ag_Cent	35	-8	61	17	0.00	10.56	0.91	109
Saint_Johns_AP	28	-5	49	6	0.00	10.06	-1.31	88
Tucson_Int_AP	43	-8	67	25	0.00	9.80	-2.17	82
Willcox_Coop	35	-7	63	14	0.00	13.69	0.81	106
Winslow	28	-3	49	7	0.01	6.12	-1.90	76
Yuma_MCAS	57	3	79	38	0.00	2.71	-0.45	86

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

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