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Field Crops

Small grain plantings remained active in the State, behind last year and the five year average. Alfalfa harvest is active on roughly half of the State's acreage. Alfalfa conditions are mostly poor to fair, 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, kale, miscellaneous Asian vegetables and herbs, 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	1	34	35	17	13
Range and Pasture	8	21	39	27	5

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Durum Wheat				
• Planted	80	75	94	98
• Emerged	30	11	38	67
Barely				
• Planted	90	85	98	99
• Emerged	40	25	48	67

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly below normal across the State for the week ending February 10. Temperatures ranged from 9 degrees below normal at St. Johns to 2 degrees above normal at Yuma. The highest temperature of the week was 82 degrees at Yuma, and

the lowest reading of -17 degrees occurred at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 16 of the 22 stations. Prescott received the most at 0.77 inches of precipitation and Willcox received the least with 0.03 inches.

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**Temperature and Precipitation Data
 February 4 - February 10, 2008**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	48	-4	76	25	0.07	1.56	-0.16	91
Buckeye	50	-5	77	30	0.00	2.14	1.27	246
Canyon De Chelly	30	-5	48	13	0.33	1.67	0.75	182
Coolidge	47	-7	74	29	0.39	1.14	-0.01	99
Douglas	45	-2	74	17	0.07	0.15	-0.78	16
Flagstaff	26	-6	51	-8	0.53	4.49	1.75	164
Grand Canyon	21	-8	55	-17	0.48	2.98	-0.28	91
Kingman	42	-5	65	24	0.00	2.20	0.98	180
Marana	49	-5	76	31	0.38	1.02	-0.51	67
Maricopa	49	-5	76	30	0.26	1.25	0.25	125
Paloma	50	-7	78	26	0.00	1.06	0.14	115
Parker	52	-5	80	28	0.00	1.04	-0.08	93
Payson	39	-3	62	21	0.73	4.30	1.67	163
Phoenix	53	-4	74	38	0.21	1.79	0.92	206
Prescott	37	-2	64	19	0.77	3.26	1.23	161
Roll	53	-3	79	28	0.00	0.65	0.20	144
Safford	44	-4	73	18	0.07	1.18	0.30	134
St. Johns	29	-9	51	-1	0.28	0.92	0.05	106
Tucson	50	-4	76	29	0.18	0.35	-0.73	32
Willcox	43	-3	75	19	0.03	0.82	-0.42	66
Winslow	31	-7	51	8	0.39	0.94	0.33	154
Yuma	61	2	82	44	0.00	0.35	-0.10	78

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

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