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Field Crops

Cotton harvesting is 98 percent complete, behind last year and behind the 5-year average of 99 percent complete. Alfalfa conditions are mostly fair to good. Harvesting remains active in a few areas across the State. Sheep have been grazing and lambing on various alfalfa fields. Barley seeding is more than 80 percent complete and durum seeding is about two-thirds complete.

Range and Pasture

Rangeland conditions continue to vary from very poor to good, depending on location. Above normal temperatures have increased melting of snowpack and depletion of soil moisture.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped bok choy, broccoli, cabbage, Chinese cabbage, cilantro, kale, parsley, and citrus.

Western Arizona growers shipped arugula, bok choy, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, cilantro, Chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, kale, Boston, green leaf, iceberg, red leaf and romaine lettuces. Also shipped this week were parsley, radicchio, spinach and citrus.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	1	13	42	31	13
Range and Pasture	27	21	34	16	2

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Harvested	98	93	99	99

Weather Summary

Temperatures were nearly normal for the week ending January 15th, ranging from 5 degrees below normal at Paloma, Parker, and Roll to 6 degrees above normal at Flagstaff. The highest temperature of the week was 73 degrees at Parker. The lowest reading was 2 degrees at

Grand Canyon. Precipitation was recorded in 3 of the 21 weather stations. The least amount of precipitation was recorded in the St. John’s area and the Coolidge area with 0.02 inches each and the Douglas area received the most precipitation at 0.13 inches.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
January 9, 2012 - January 15, 2012								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	49	1	69	30	0.00	0.00	-0.52	0
Buckeye	51	-2	71	30	0.00	0.00	-0.35	0
Canyon De Chelly	29	-1	50	3	0.00	0.00	-0.40	0
Coolidge	49	-2	70	25	0.02	0.02	-0.39	5
Douglas	48	4	69	24	0.13	0.13	-0.28	32
Flagstaff	34	6	56	13	0.00	0.00	-1.03	0
Grand Canyon	30	4	55	2	0.00	0.00	-1.20	0
Kingman	41	-2	65	22	0.00	0.00	-0.45	0
Marana	50	-1	69	28	0.00	0.00	-0.30	0
Maricopa	49	-5	72	26	0.00	0.00	-0.30	0
Paloma	48	-5	73	25	0.00	0.00	-0.35	0
Parker	41	3	60	18	0.00	0.00	-1.05	0
Payson	56	4	72	38	0.00	0.00	-0.35	0
Phoenix	40	4	61	17	0.00	0.00	-0.73	0
Prescott	50	-5	71	28	0.00	0.00	-0.19	0
Roll	43	-1	62	24	0.00	0.00	-0.36	0
Safford	30	-3	54	5	0.02	0.02	-0.33	6
St. Johns	52	2	71	32	0.00	0.00	-0.45	0
Tucson	42	-1	64	18	0.00	0.00	-0.49	0
Willcox	33	2	55	11	0.00	0.00	-0.25	0
Winslow	58	3	72	42	0.00	0.00	-0.19	0

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

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