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Field Crops

Cotton squaring had occurred on approximately one third of the acreage, slightly ahead of the 5-year average. The cotton crop continues in mostly fair to good condition. Alfalfa conditions are mostly good to excellent, depending on location. Alfalfa harvesting activities are active on close to 75 percent of the growing area across the State. The durum wheat harvest is about one third complete.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, mixed and miscellaneous melons, watermelons, onions, and potatoes.

Range and Pasture

Rangeland conditions improved slightly from the previous week but remain mostly in the very poor to poor range. Stock tanks are drying out. Warm temperatures and lack of moisture are diminishing existing forage. Wildfire concerns remain in many areas across the State.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	-	2	19	50	29
Range and Pasture	46	25	20	8	1
Cotton	2	3	43	41	11

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Squaring	32	30	34	27

Weather Summary

Temperatures continued mostly above normal across the State for the week ending June 10th, ranging from 5 degrees below normal at Parker to 6 degrees above normal at Canyon De Chelly and Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 105 degrees at Maricopa.

The lowest reading was 28 degrees at the Grand Canyon. No precipitation was recorded in the 21 weather stations. All weather stations continue to be below 75 percent of normal precipitation to date in 2012.

Survey work – NASS’s annual June surveys on crops and livestock. In the first two weeks of June, NASS will survey about 140,000 U.S. producers and visit 42,000 tracts of farm land to collect information. Responses to these surveys provide the foundation for estimates in the upcoming growing year and will first be released in the *Acreage* and other reports on June 29. Watch for the survey and be sure to respond. Your information matters!

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
June 4, 2012 - June 10, 2012								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	77	-1	96	53	0.00	0.83	-3.11	21
Buckeye	81	-4	101	58	0.00	0.84	-1.73	33
Canyon De Chelly	72	6	93	50	0.00	0.89	-2.29	28
Coolidge	80	-2	103	56	0.00	1.57	-1.68	48
Douglas	77	3	100	54	0.00	0.77	-1.28	38
Flagstaff	59	2	81	34	0.00	4.46	-4.43	50
Grand Canyon	59	5	87	28	0.00	3.29	-5.91	36
Kingman	75	1	96	48	0.00	2.70	-1.01	73
Maricopa	83	1	105	59	0.00	0.42	-2.45	15
Paloma	79	-4	101	57	0.00	0.59	-2.24	21
Parker	78	-5	96	59	0.00	0.41	-1.67	20
Payson	66	-2	87	44	0.00	2.09	-5.81	26
Phoenix	89	4	104	74	0.00	0.36	-2.21	14
Prescott	70	6	89	50	0.00	2.36	-3.90	38
Roll	81	-1	104	57	0.00	0.14	-0.81	15
Safford	79	3	103	56	0.00	1.23	-1.01	55
St. Johns	70	3	93	44	0.00	0.42	-2.68	14
Tucson	84	3	104	62	0.00	0.68	-2.09	25
Willcox	76	4	99	53	0.00	1.02	-1.69	38
Winslow	73	4	96	49	0.00	0.65	-1.51	30
Yuma	87	2	103	69	0.00	0.09	-0.86	9
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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