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Field Crops

Cotton squaring has occurred on 81 percent of the acreage, ahead of the 5-year average of 61 percent. Cotton bolls setting has occurred mostly in the Yuma area. The cotton crop condition varies from fair to excellent. Alfalfa conditions are mostly fair to excellent, depending on location. Alfalfa harvesting is active on close to three-quarters of the growing area across the State. The durum wheat harvest is near completion.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

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

Range and Pasture

Rangeland and pasture are drying out rapidly with the lack of moisture, high temperatures and low humidity. Grazing areas remain in mostly very poor to fair condition. Stock tanks are also drying out. Wildfire concerns remain in many areas across the State.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	-	2	22	44	32
Range and Pasture	45	29	20	5	1
Cotton	1	6	19	48	26

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Squaring	81	70	69	61
• Setting Bolls	25	15	27	24

Weather Summary

Temperatures were above normal across the State for the week ending July 1st, ranging from normal at Parker to 10 degrees above normal at Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 112 degrees at Roll. The lowest reading was 40 degrees at the Grand

Canyon. Four of the 21 weather stations recorded precipitation for the week ending July 1st. Tucson received .05 inches and Canyon De Chelly received .29 inches. All weather stations continue to be below 75 percent of normal precipitation for the year.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
June 25, 2012 - July 1, 2012								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	88	4	106	67	0.00	0.83	-3.34	20
Buckeye	91	4	108	71	0.00	0.84	-1.90	31
Canyon De Chelly	79	7	99	53	0.29	1.18	-2.26	34
Coolidge	89	4	107	70	0.00	1.57	-1.73	48
Douglas	86	8	104	69	0.00	0.77	-1.89	29
Flagstaff	70	6	88	50	0.00	4.46	-4.93	47
Grand Canyon	67	9	92	40	0.00	3.29	-6.37	34
Kingman	86	6	102	66	0.00	2.70	-1.27	68
Maricopa	94	8	110	77	0.00	0.42	-2.56	14
Paloma	91	4	109	69	0.00	0.59	-2.29	20
Parker	87	0	105	67	0.00	0.41	-1.68	20
Payson	77	5	98	59	0.00	2.09	-6.26	25
Phoenix	99	8	110	85	0.00	0.36	-2.38	13
Prescott	80	10	97	64	0.00	2.36	-4.47	35
Roll	90	6	112	67	0.00	0.14	-0.83	14
Safford	90	9	106	69	0.00	1.23	-1.35	48
St. Johns	79	7	98	57	0.00	0.42	-3.16	12
Tucson	93	7	107	79	0.05	1.02	-2.04	33
Willcox	86	9	105	64	0.15	1.23	-1.88	40
Winslow	80	5	101	60	0.26	0.91	-1.53	37
Yuma	95	5	111	76	0.00	0.09	-0.88	9
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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