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Field Crops

Cotton squaring was at 86 percent, ahead of last year at 84 percent, and ahead of the five-year average of 71 percent. Bolls setting was at 32 percent, behind last year at 34 percent but equal to the five-year average. The cotton crop condition continues to be rated mostly excellent to fair, depending on location. Arizona's alfalfa conditions are also rated in excellent to fair condition. Harvesting occurred on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, potatoes and seeded and seedless watermelons last week. Western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, and seedless watermelons.

Range and Pasture

Although scattered showers were reported across the State it was not enough to impact overall drought conditions. Range and Pastures were rated in mostly very poor to poor condition, depending on location.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	0	2	22	50	26
Range and Pasture	65	21	13	1	0
Cotton	0	0	10	46	44

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Squaring	86	81	84	71
• Setting Bolls	32	18	34	32

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending July 7, 2013, ranging from 1 degree below normal at Parker to 12 degrees above normal at the Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 122 degrees recorded in Bullhead City. The lowest reading was 47 degrees at the Grand Canyon. Ten of the

22 weather stations recorded precipitation last week. Tucson received the least precipitation at 0.06 inches and Douglas received the most at 2.41 inches. Thirteen of the 22 stations have received more than 50 percent of normal precipitation.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
July 1, 2013 - July 7, 2013								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	90	6	107	71	0.00	1.74	-2.55	41
Buckeye	94	6	111	78	0.00	1.98	-0.86	70
Bullhead City	103	10	122	83	0.00	0.77	-2.36	25
Canyon De Chelly	79	6	99	58	0.00	2.00	-1.58	56
Coolidge	90	6	110	71	0.39	3.21	-0.13	96
Douglas	82	4	104	64	2.41	3.59	0.49	116
Flagstaff	70	6	92	50	2.34	7.58	-2.14	78
Grand Canyon	72	12	97	47	0.25	1.06	-8.84	11
Kingman	90	10	110	72	0.00	1.19	-2.89	29
Maricopa	95	7	112	77	0.00	2.05	-1.03	67
Paloma	92	4	114	72	0.00	1.36	-1.58	46
Parker	87	-1	103	70	0.00	0.71	-1.39	34
Payson	78	5	95	60	0.00	7.28	-1.37	84
Phoenix	99	8	115	85	0.00	2.61	-0.23	92
Prescott	81	10	102	60	0.11	2.62	-4.59	36
Roll	94	8	114	74	0.00	0.42	-0.56	43
Safford	85	3	106	66	1.10	1.72	-1.08	61
St. Johns	79	7	99	59	0.27	1.84	-1.95	49
Tucson	92	6	111	71	0.06	1.81	-1.53	54
Willcox	86	8	109	68	1.13	2.26	-1.17	66
Winslow	83	6	105	57	0.30	2.10	-0.49	81
Yuma	97	6	112	83	0.00	1.11	0.13	113

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

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