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Field Crops

Arizona's alfalfa condition was rated in poor to excellent condition, depending on location. Harvesting occurred on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Sheep continue to graze on various alfalfa fields in many areas. Barley conditions are mostly fair to excellent. Durum Wheat conditions are fair to mostly excellent with 100 percent planted, 6 percentage points ahead of last year and 5 year-average. Winter Wheat conditions are very poor to excellent, depending on location and 57 percent of the crop is planted, 28 percentage points behind last year and 26 percentage points behind the 5 year-average. This week there were 7 days suitable for field work.

Moisture Conditions

	Subsoil Moisture	Topsoil Moisture
	- Percent -	
Very Short	0	0
Short	43	43
Adequate	57	57
Surplus	0	0

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped Bok Choy, broccoli, cilantro, green and red cabbage, Chinese cabbage, kale, lemons, and parsley last week.

Western Arizona growers shipped anise, arugula, broccoli, Bok Choy, green and red cabbage, cauliflower, celery, Chinese cabbage, cilantro, endive, escarole, frisee, kale, parsley, radicchio, spinach and various lettuce including Boston, iceberg, romaine, green and red leaf lettuce last week.

Range and Pasture

Range conditions continue to deteriorate throughout the State as soil moisture is depleted. Range and Pastures were rated in very poor to good condition, depending on location.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	6	12	21	35	26
Barley	1	1	29	55	14
Durum Wheat	0	0	10	46	44
Range and Pasture	43	15	24	17	1
Winter Wheat	0	0	14	60	26

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Barley, Emerged	65	24	98	99
Durum Wheat, Planted	100	57	94	94
Winter Wheat, Planted	57	57	85	83

N/A – Not Available

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
March 10, 2014 - March 16, 2014								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	59	4	80	38	0.00	0.43	-2.74	14
Buckeye	65	5	85	44	0.00	0.76	-1.07	42
Bullhead City	63	-1	81	42	0.00	0.24	-2.25	10
Canyon De Chelly	44	2	66	26	0.00	1.34	-0.40	77
Coolidge	62	3	83	39	0.00	0.97	-1.27	43
Douglas	54	2	75	31	0.00	0.44	-1.06	29
Flagstaff	41	7	59	20	0.01	1.74	-3.79	31
Grand Canyon	39	10	63	15	0.00	0.81	-5.15	14
Kingman	55	6	73	35	0.00	0.55	-1.86	23
Maricopa	64	5	83	42	0.00	1.14	-0.88	56
Paloma	65	4	85	41	0.00	0.27	-1.80	13
Parker	66	5	89	42	0.00	0.44	-1.30	25
Payson	50	6	71	28	0.03	1.83	-3.37	35
Phoenix	70	9	86	54	0.00	0.99	-0.84	54
Prescott	50	8	67	28	0.00	0.68	-3.38	17
Roll	62	0	86	38	0.00	0.34	-0.39	47
Safford	56	4	75	38	0.00	0.42	-1.23	25
St. Johns	46	2	69	21	0.00	0.75	-0.97	44
Tucson	64	7	82	47	0.00	0.59	-1.40	30
Willcox	54	4	76	32	0.00	1.25	-0.73	63
Winslow	49	5	74	26	0.00	1.01	-0.28	78
Yuma	71	7	89	52	0.00	0.07	-0.66	10
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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