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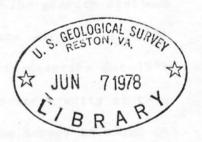
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Introduction

A gravity survey was made in the Superstition Mountains in Gila, Pinal, and Maricopa Counties during November 1976 as part of a wilderness study being conducted by the U.S. Geological Survey and the U.S. Bureau of Mines. The purpose of the survey was to map buried structural boundaries and features (e.g. caldera margins) that are important in assessing the mineral potential of the area.

Data Collection

During November 1976, 98 gravity stations were established using helicopter support and LaCoste-Romberg gravimeter G-159. 1/The gravity stations were referenced to base station ACIC 3210-1 at the Globe airport, east of Globe, Arizona, a part of the International Gravity Standardization Net 1971 (Defense Mapping Agency Aerospace Center, 1974). The observed gravity at this base station is 979254.98 mGals. The area covered by the survey is shown in figure 1.

Station elevations were obtained from benchmarks and spot elevations on 1:24,000 scale topographic maps. Elevations are accurate to 1.0 meter, giving resultant maximum errors in the Bouguer anomaly that should not exceed

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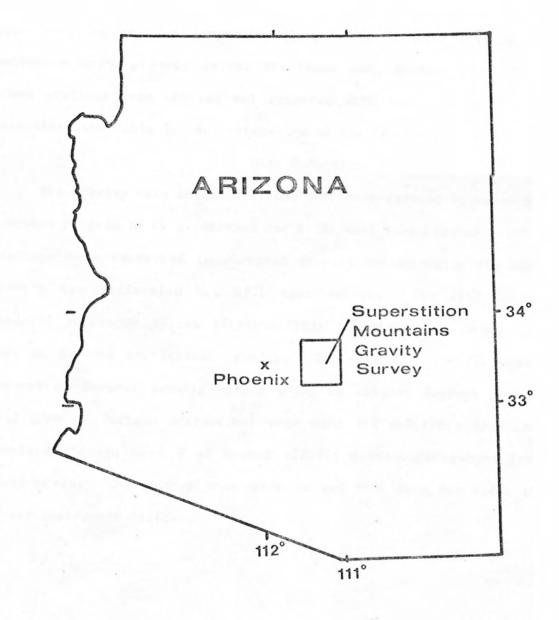


Figure 1. Location map for the Superstition Mountain gravity survey, Gila, Pinal, and Maricopa counties, Arizona.

0.60 mGals. Information from an additional 52 stations were obtained from the University of Arizona (unpublished) and the Defense Mapping Agency, DMA Aerospace Center, South Annex, St. Louis AFS, Missouri, 63125. Data from these stations were checked and compared with the USGS data, then combined with them into table 1. An explanation of the headings precedes table 1.

Data Reduction

The gravity data obtained by the USGS were reduced by means of a digital computer program by G. I. Evenden and R. R. Wahl (unpublished). Gravity meter readings were converted to observed gravity values using the International Gravity Standardization Net 1971 base values. The 1967 formula of the Geodetic Reference System (International Association of Geodesy, 1967) was used to compute theoretical gravity. The data from all three sources were reduced to Bouguer anomaly values using an assumed average rock density of 2.67 g/cm³. Terrain corrections were made for all three data sets by hand template through zone H of Hammer (1939); corrections ranged from 0.01 to 18.15 mGals. Corrections were made in the USGS data for tidal effects and linear instrument drift.

Explanation of Headings Used in Table 1.

STATION IDENTIFICATION Gravity station number.

LATITUDE North latitude in degrees,

minutes, and hundredths of

minutes.

LONGITUDE West longitude in degrees,

minutes, and hundredths of

minutes.

ELEV Elevation in meters.

ST State of station (Arizona).

OBSERVED GRAVITY Observed gravity in milligals.

THEORETICAL GRAVITY Theoretical gravity in milligals.

TERRAIN Terrain correction in milligals.

FREE-AIR Free-air anomaly in milligals.

BOUGUER Elevation and curvature correction

in milligals.

BOUGUER ANOMALY Bouguer anomaly in milligals for

assumed average density of 2.67 g/cm³.

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STATION		LOCATION		GRAVITY	C	ORRECTION	S		BOUGUER	
IDENTIFICATION	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	ELEV ST	OBSERVED THEORETICAL	TERRAIN	FREE-AIR	BOUGUER	SPECIAL	ANOMALY	spec
super.A-1	33 29.77	111 27.80	642.2 AZ	979365.93 -979606.47	0.18	198.18	-72.66	0.00	-114.84	
super.A-2	33 32.17	111 27.17	611.7 AZ	979363.63 -979609.80	0.61	188.77	-69.22	0.00	-126.00	
super.A-3	33 32.13	111 25.89	518.8 AZ	979377.11 -979609.73	1.26	160.09	-58.71	0.00	-129.99	
super.A-4	33 31.75	111 24.69	552.6 AZ	979366.12 -979609.21	2.03	170.53	-62.54	0.00	-133.07	
super.A-5	33 31.63	111 23.35	534.0 AZ	979367.59 -979609.05	2.21	164.79	-60.44	0.00	-134.89	
super.A-6	33 32.72	111 20.22	864.4 AZ	979296.36 -979610.55	2.92	266.73	-97.73	0.00	-142.27	
super.A-7	33 32.33	111 16.14	745.2 AZ	979329.76 -979610.02	3.12	229.97	-84.29	0.00	-131.46	
super.A-8	33 39.07	111 11.17	622.7 AZ	979356.34 -979619.38	2.62	-192.16	-70.46	0.00	-138.70	*
super.A-9	33 39.28	111 6.35	737.9 AZ	979319.11 -979619.66	0.67	227.71	-83.46	0.00	-155.64	
super.A-10	33 37.05	111 3.11	757.1 AZ	979317.61 -979616.56	0.03	233.63	-85.63	0.00	-150.92	
super.8-1	33 24.95	111 21.88	1147.9 AZ	979244.07 -979599.79	1.34	354.18	-129.66	0.00	-129.86	
super.B-2	33 25.60	111 20.50	1153.7 AZ	979236.62 -979600.69	4.03	355.97	-130.31	0.00	-134.39	
super.B-3	33 25.95	111 21.04	1265.5 AZ	979210.13 -979601.17	5.06	390.47	-142.90	0.00	-138.41	
super.H-4	33 26.43	111 22.02	972.0 AZ	979280.05 -979601.84	0.80	299.93	-109.86	0.00	-130.92	
super.B-5	33 27.1.5	111 22.65	1022.3 AZ	979263.15 -979602.84	5.12		-115.52	0.00	-134.65	
			2.22							
super.8-6	33 26.33	111 21.29	1173.5 AZ	979227.45 -979601.70	1.28		-132.54	0.00	-143.44	
super.B-7	33 28.02	111 21.28	1111.9 AZ	979241.52 -979604.04	3.84		-125.61	0.00	-141.21	
super.B-8	33 29.73	111 21.03	1140.9 AZ	979231.20 -979606.41	6.34	352.02	-128.87	0.00	-145.72	
super.B-9	33 28.95	111 19.22	1460.0 AZ	979159.37 -979605.33	9.43	450.45	-164.76	0.00	-150.84	
super.B-10	33 28.52	111 17.28	1125.9 AZ	979243.43 -979604.73	1.90	347.41	-127.19	0.00	-139.19	
super.8-11	33 26.55	111 17.65	1225.0 AZ	979216.38 -979602.01	4.71	377.97	-138.34	0.00	-141.29	
super.B-12	35 26.83	111 18.48	1177.1 AZ	979225.55 -979602.39	4.88	363.21	-132.96	0.00	-141.70	
super.B-13	33 24.72	111 18.72	1142.4 AZ	979239.05 -979599.47	6.07	352.49	-129.04	0.00	-130.90	
super.b-14	33 23.03	111 19.22	976.9 AZ	979280.34 -979597.13	6.74	301.43	-110.41	0.00	-119.02	
super.B-15	33 25.10	111 16.58	1335.3 AZ	979188.68 -979600.00	4.72	412.00	-150.75	0.00	-145.35	
C-1	33 24.43	111 1/1 20	1107 0 47	979241.88 -979599.07		7.01 0.7	125 17	0.00		
super.C-1	33 26.33	111 14.29	1107.9 AZ		6.80		-125.17	0.00	-133.69	
super.C-2	33 27.00	111 14.25	1546.6 AZ	979141.59 -979601.70	6.11	477.15	-174.48	0.00	-151.33	
super.C-3		111 13.01	1542.6 AZ	979151.11 -979602.63	5.66		-174.03	0.00	-143.96	
super.C-4	33 27.88	111 15.00	1401.2 AZ	979178.51 -979603.84	3.37	432.31	-158.15	0.00	-147.80	
super.C-5	33 29.67	111 13.57	1460.6 AZ	979170.34 -979606.33	7.12	450.64	-164.83	0.00	-143.06	
super.C-6	33 28.53	111 12.54	1413.1 AZ	979179.77 -979604.75	3.85	435.97	-159.48	0.00	-144.64	
super.C-7	33 27.72	111 10.86	1859.3 AZ	979078.07 -979603.63	6.26	573.59	-209.55	0.00	-155.26	
super.C-8	33 29.20	111 9.45	1648.7 AZ	979138.55 -979605.67	3.88	508.64	-185.94	0.00	-140.54	
super.C-9	33 29.82	111 6.72	1741.6 AZ	979112.23 -979606.53	5.61	537.31	-196.37	0.00	-147.75	
super.C-10	33 28.80	111 8.15	1822.7 AZ	979100.84 -979605.13	2.95	562.31	-205.46	0.00	-144.47	
super.C-11	33 25.97	111 10.19	1844.0 AZ	979093 90 979/01 30	7	E (0 00	-207 25	0.00	100 00	
super.C-12	33 24.28			979082.80 -979601.20	7.16	568.89	-207.85	0.00	-150.20	
		111 9.24	1691.6 AZ	979117.18 -979598.86	4.19	521.90	-190.76	0.00	-146.35	
super.C=13	33 22.83	111 9.32	1513.6 AZ	979147.86 -979596.85	10.82	467.00	-170.78	0.00	-141.96	
super.C-14	33 22.75	111 14.43	1407.6 AZ	979168.98 -979596.74	18.15	434.29	-158.87	0.00	-134.20	
super.C-15	33 25.48	111 12.41	1172.0 AZ	979234.30 -979600.52	1.83	361.61	-132.37	0.00	-135.15	

TABLE 1. PRINCIPAL FACTS FOR GRAVITY STATIONS IN AND ADJACENT TO THE SUPERSTITION MOUNTAINS, GILA, PINAL, AND MARICOPA COUNTIES, ARIZONA.

date: 01/03/78

LATITUDE

33 25.02

35 24.28

33 24.47

33 25.30

LOCATION

ELEV ST

1456.9 A7

1673.7 AZ

1659.6 AZ

1358.8 AZ

LONGITUDE

111 7.35

111 5.47

111 4.61

111 2.38

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STATION

IDENTIFICATION

super.C-16

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979118.38 -979599.13

979188.83 -979600.27

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SPECIAL

0.00

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BOUGUER

ANOMALY

-138.97

-151.36

-147.19

-141.61

Spec

CORRECTIONS

4.64

4.55

8.70

3.98

TERRAIN FREE-AIR BOUGUER

449.51 -164.41

516.35 -188.74

512.03 -187.17

419.24 -153.39

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	super.	1-4-8		31.50		18.40	681.2			-979608.87	8.91	210.22	-77.06	0.00	-134.96	
	super.	5-5-6		31.65		4.97	1008.9			-979609.07	5.55	311.31	-114.01	0.00	-139.29	
	super.	1-4-6	33	32.10		22.70	562.4		979358.69	-979609.70	1.06	173.55	-63.64	0.00	-140.04	
	super.	5-5-10	33	32.82	111	11.40	1351.8	AZ	979206.04	-979610.70	2.66	417.08	-152.60	0.00	-137.52	
	super.	5-5-7	33	33.04	111	1.99	1082.6	AZ	979250.88	-979611.00	0.85	334.06	-122.32	0.00	-147.53	
	super.	5-5-9	33	33.32	111	14.95	778.2	AZ	979326.34	-979611.39	1.72	240.12	-88.00	0.00	-131.21	
	super.	1-4-9	33	34.60	111	15.30	583.4	AZ	979365.19	-979613.16	0.82	180.03	-66.02	0.00	-133.14	
	super.	5-5-8	33	35.89	111	12.15	615.4	AZ	979359.59	-979614.95	1.83	-189.90	-69.63	0.00	-133.26	
	super.	KV-8	33	36.60	111	1.00	691.9	AZ	979325.30	-979615.94	0.18	213.51	-78.27	0.00	-155.21	
	super.	5-5-5		36.61	111	5.42	879.3	AZ	979298.26	-979615.95	0.32	271.34	-99.41	0.00	-145.45	
	super.	5-5-4	33	36.93	111	1.83	742.5	AZ	979316.88	-979616.40	1.47	229.12	-83.98	0.00	-152.91	
	super.	1-4-10	33	38.20	111	11.80	645.3	ΛZ	979353.95	-979618.16	0.94	199.12	-73.00	0.00	-137.15	
		TERRAIN		38.41		23.82	1036.3	AZ	979283.80	-979618.45	1.96	319.77	-117.10	0.00	-130.03	
	super.	6/14/2	33	38.49	111	5.02	717.8	AZ	979324.16	-979618.56	0.14	221.50	-81.19	0.00	-153.95	
	super.	RV-7	33	38.50	111	6.80	862.6	AZ	979301.70	-979618.58	3.03	266.17	-97.52	0.00	-145.20	
	super.	6/14/1	33	40.06	111	8.04	675.1	ΔZ	979337.47	-979620.75	0.47	208.34	-76.37	0.00	-150.85	
	super.	RV-6	33	40.30	111	9.70	652.6	AZ	979346.48	-979621.08	2.69	201.38	-73.83	0.00	-144.35	
	super.	6/14/4		40.56		13.62	1044.9	AZ	979275.95	-979621.45	1.75	322.40	-118.06	0.00	-139.41	
	super.		33	23.30	111	27.28	586.1	AZ	979357.76	-979597.51	0.10	180.87	-66.32	0.00	-125.10	
	super.		33	23.30	111	29.90	520.0	AZ	979387.05	-979597.51	0.01	160.47	-58.85	0.00	-108.83	
	super.	6	33	23.75	111	28.58	554.1	AZ	979364.58	-979598.13	0.06	170.99	-62.71	0.00	-125.20	
	super.			24.94		29.30	559.3	AZ	979368.51	-979599.77	0.07	172.60	-63.29	0.00	-121.89	
	super.			26.10		28.85	613.9	AZ	979357.41	-979601.38	0.73	189.44	-69.46	0.00	-123.25	
	super.			26.54		29.48	591.0			-979601.99	0.10	182.38	-66.87	0.00	-119.11	
	super.			26.93		29.98	592.2			-979602.53	0.08	182.75	-67.01	0.00	-118.74	
	super.	14	33	27.17	111	29.65	601.4	AZ	979365.45	-979602.86	1.74	185.59	-68.05	0.00	-118.13	
	super.			31.20		27.40	702.3			-979608.45	0.64	216.72	-79.44	0.00	-137.50	
	super.			34.90		12.70	709.0			-979613.58	1.27	218.79	-80.20	0.00	-147.78	
	super.			37.30		11.80	628.2			-979616.91	0.62	193.86	-71.08	0.00	-151.85	
	Suner.	31	22	21.30	111	11.00	020.6	11.1			0.00	1,5.00	11.00	0.00	101.00	

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