



NEW MEXICO CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION
WEEK ENDING JULY 19, 2015

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Average temperatures in western New Mexico were near- to slightly below-normal during the week, while several eastern locations recorded averages 5 degrees warmer than what is typical for mid-July. Most notably, temperatures in Picacho climbed to 11 degrees above average. Rainfall accumulations totaled less than one inch virtually statewide; however, year-to-date totals exceeded normal at all reporting weather stations. Most irrigated crops were still being reported in good to excellent condition, although most dryland fields showed a need for additional moisture. Hail damage in all crops was reported as 4 percent light and 4 percent moderate. Wind damage in all crops was reported as 7 percent light and 2 percent moderate. Stock water supplies were reported as 4 percent very short, 21 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
2 nd cutting harvested	83	80	94	97
3 rd cutting harvested.....	52	37	80	74
4 th cutting harvested.....	3	NA	13	9
Corn				
Silking	17	12	43	41
Cotton				
Squaring	54	29	89	73
Setting bolls.....	36	10	49	33
Onions				
Harvested	95	92	84	83
Peanuts				
Blooming	30	9	NA	NA
Sorghum				
Emerged	99	89	NA	NA
Headed	3	2	1	2
Winter wheat				
Harvested.....	85	65	95	93

NA – not available
(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	6.6	6.0	5.2	6.3
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	15	15	39	44
Short	37	33	25	32
Adequate	46	50	36	23
Surplus	2	2	--	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	11	11	41	NA
Short	26	25	25	NA
Adequate	62	63	34	NA
Surplus	1	1	--	NA

NA – not available
(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, AND PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION				
	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa				
Very poor	--	--	1	3
Poor.....	6	6	5	5
Fair.....	22	22	38	35
Good	44	44	46	45
Excellent	28	28	10	12
Chile				
Very poor	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	5	3	2	NA
Fair.....	26	25	41	NA
Good	49	52	50	NA
Excellent	20	20	7	NA
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	3	1
Poor.....	--	--	4	5
Fair.....	11	11	29	40
Good	52	52	28	33
Excellent	37	37	36	21
Cotton				
Very poor	--	--	--	2
Poor.....	1	1	5	15
Fair.....	37	38	51	35
Good	52	51	23	31
Excellent	10	10	21	17
Pasture and Range				
Very poor	4	4	25	34
Poor.....	7	7	39	33
Fair.....	32	32	27	21
Good	45	45	9	11
Excellent	12	12	--	1
Peanuts				
Very poor	--	NA	3	4
Poor.....	--	NA	21	13
Fair.....	65	NA	68	61
Good	29	NA	8	22
Excellent	6	NA	--	--
Pecans				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	--	1
Fair.....	14	14	29	25
Good	75	75	58	61
Excellent	10	10	13	13
Sorghum				
Very poor	--	--	--	15
Poor.....	--	--	--	12
Fair.....	17	17	33	40
Good	81	81	65	32
Excellent	2	2	2	1
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	1	1	3	NA
Poor.....	2	2	12	NA
Fair.....	24	24	56	NA
Good	64	64	26	NA
Excellent	9	9	3	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor	15	14	19	NA
Poor.....	15	16	25	NA
Fair.....	14	14	45	NA
Good	52	52	11	NA
Excellent	4	4	--	NA

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New Mexico’s weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/New_Mexico/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2015/NM_Weather_07192015.pdf