

NEW MEXICO CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION
WEEK ENDING JUNE 4, 2017

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Temperatures were cooler and accumulated rainfall was more widespread when compared with recent weeks; however, portions of the State remained extremely dry, with nearly 27 percent of New Mexico classified as abnormally dry or worse, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistical Service, USDA. Quemado reported the largest moisture accumulation during the week, at 1.26 inches, while Los Lunas, Picacho, and Roswell were dry. Clovis and Lake Roberts were the only other weather stations that accumulated over an inch of rain. Statewide, topsoil moisture levels were reported as 46 percent adequate to surplus, compared with 38 percent last week, 38 percent last year, and a 5-year average of 28 percent. Average temperatures ranged from 5 degrees below to 4 degrees above average. Daytime highs ranged from 67 degrees at Angel Fire to 97 degrees at Redrock. Overnight lows varied from 27 degrees at Angel Fire to 60 degrees at Santa Teresa. Comments from Curry County indicated that while producers were busy planting corn, cotton, and sorghum, progress was slower than normal. Overall, winter wheat condition was reported as 47 percent good to excellent, compared with 53 percent last week and 43 percent last year. Harvest continued advancing ahead of the average pace, likely a reflection of fewer acres being cut for grain due to poor quality seen earlier this year. Hail damage in all crops was reported as 4 percent moderate and 4 percent light. Wind damage in all crops was reported as 5 percent moderate and 9 percent light. Stock water supplies were reported as 10 percent very short, 28 percent short, and 62 percent adequate.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS				
Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	82	74	74	79
2 nd cutting harvested	29	22	11	21
Chile				
Emerged	92	87	92	NA
Corn				
Planted.....	82	69	87	85
Emerged	45	35	44	44
Cotton				
Planted.....	87	83	87	92
Emerged	49	41	73	NA
Onions				
Harvested.....	5	NA	24	22
Peanuts				
Planted.....	71	59	60	58
Emerged	40	19	16	NA
Sorghum				
Planted.....	32	23	53	38
Emerged	4	2	2	NA
Winter wheat				
Harvested for grain	22	8	5	4
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	6.3	6.9	5.1	5.9
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	13	19	10	41
Short	41	43	52	31
Adequate	45	38	33	26
Surplus	1	--	5	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	13	15	9	NA
Short	40	41	34	NA
Adequate	46	44	57	NA
Surplus	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 hay				
Very poor	--	--	--	2
Poor.....	3	1	4	5
Fair.....	15	19	45	33
Good	79	77	43	43
Excellent	3	3	8	17
Chile				
Very poor	--	--	3	NA
Poor.....	4	--	14	NA
Fair.....	57	56	25	NA
Good	26	32	38	NA
Excellent	13	12	20	NA
Onion				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	2	--	--	--
Fair.....	25	23	6	17
Good	52	61	50	42
Excellent	21	16	44	41
Pasture and range condition				
Very poor	7	8	2	34
Poor.....	22	21	17	24
Fair.....	40	40	47	23
Good	25	22	30	16
Excellent	6	9	4	3
Pecan				
Very poor	--	NA	--	--
Poor.....	--	NA	6	2
Fair.....	3	NA	10	19
Good	97	NA	54	54
Excellent	--	NA	30	25
Winter wheat				
Very poor	1	2	2	39
Poor.....	14	12	20	11
Fair.....	38	33	35	26
Good	45	50	41	16
Excellent	2	3	2	8
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	1	1	2	NA
Poor.....	3	2	3	NA
Fair.....	39	44	34	NA
Good	52	48	54	NA
Excellent	5	5	7	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor	9	7	12	NA
Poor.....	12	8	11	NA
Fair.....	13	21	18	NA
Good	65	63	57	NA
Excellent	1	1	2	NA

NA – not available
 (--) – zero

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/2017/NM_Weather_06042017.pdf