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Crop Weather Agricultural Prices Received Income from Meat Animals

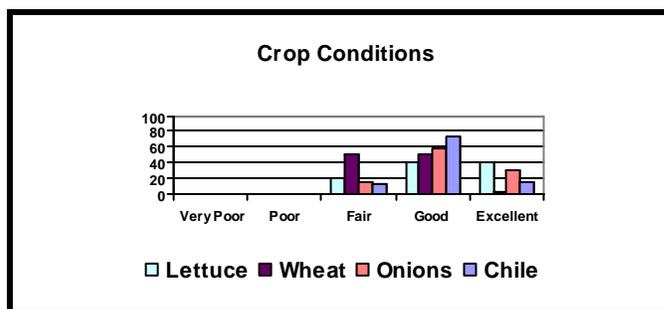
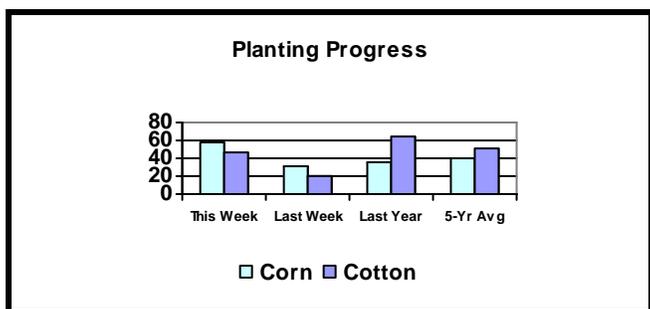
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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING APRIL 29, 2007

NEW MEXICO: There were 6.6 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 4% very short, 26% short, 64% adequate and 6% surplus. Wind damage was 18% light and 2% moderate. Freeze damage was reported as 13% light and 1% severe. Farmers spent the week irrigating and planting. Alfalfa was reported as 6% poor, 33% fair, 45% good and 16% excellent with 48% of the first cutting complete. Cotton was reported as 46% planted. Corn was reported as 57% planted and 20% emerged. Irrigated sorghum was reported as 3% planted. Total sorghum was reported as 1% planted. Irrigated winter wheat was reported as 50% fair, 47% good and 3% excellent with 5% grazed and 34% headed. Dry winter wheat was reported as 49% fair and 51% good with 13% grazed and 3% headed. Total winter wheat was reported as 49% fair, 50% good and 1% excellent with 10% grazed and 15% headed. Lettuce was reported as 20% fair, 40% good and 40% excellent. Chile was reported as 11% fair, 74% good and 15% excellent with 88% planted. Onion conditions were reported as 13% fair, 58% good and 29% excellent. Apples were reported as 20% very poor, 40% fair and 40% good with 100% light fruit set. Peanuts were reported as 3% planted. Cattle conditions were reported as 3% poor, 15% fair, 66% good and 16% excellent. Sheep conditions were reported as 6% very poor, 11% poor, 14% fair and 69% good. Range and pasture conditions were reported as 4% very poor, 9% poor, 27% fair, 58% good, and 2% excellent. Ranchers are calving, branding, marketing and supplemental feeding.

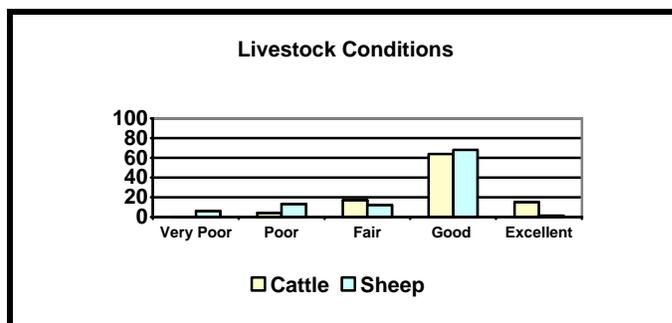
CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
CHILE	Planted	88	79	97	94
CORN	Planted	57	31	35	39
CORN	Emerged	20	6	4	7
COTTON	Planted	46	20	64	51
WHEAT	Grazed	10	14	11	N/A
WHEAT (ALL)	Headed	15	9	N/A	21



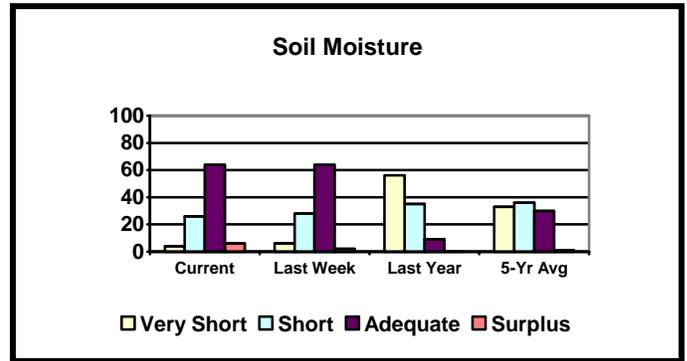
CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	---	6	33	45	16
Chile	---	---	11	74	15
Lettuce	---	---	20	40	40
Onions	---	---	13	58	29
Wheat (All)	---	---	49	50	1
Cattle	---	4	17	64	15
Sheep	6	13	12	68	1
Range/Pasture	4	9	34	51	2



SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	22	16	62	---
Northeast	1	44	53	2
Southwest	---	15	82	3
Southeast	1	8	70	21
State Current	4	26	64	6
State-Last Week	6	28	64	2
State-Last Year	56	35	9	---
State-5-Yr Avg.	33	36	30	1



WEATHER SUMMARY

Mild weather through much of the week provided warm days and somewhat chilly night time conditions. North and northwest areas of the state saw scattered light rains and high mountain snow during the early week, then a second slow moving upper level storm produced unusually heavy and soaking rain across the southern reaches of the state at the end of the week.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - APRIL 23 - 29, 2007

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	04/23 04/29	04/01 04/29	Normal Apr	01/01 04/29	Normal Jan-Apr
Farmington	56.0	81	35	0.02	0.35	3.05	0.51	2.48
Gallup	50.2	78	23	0.04	0.66	2.32	0.64	3.23
Capulin	47.7	71	20	0.31	1.16	3.61	1.01	2.86
Chama	48.0	72	27	0.39	1.82	6.72	1.27	6.61
Johnson Ranch	50.4	74	25	0.00	0.12	1.84	0.49	2.47
Las Vegas	50.6	70	24	0.00	0.35	2.57	0.83	2.54
Los Alamos	49.1	71	30	0.02	0.65	3.49	1.00	3.88
Raton	51.2	76	25	0.01	0.52	1.47	1.06	2.90
Red River	42.1	65	23	0.52	2.04	7.01	1.68	5.75
Santa Fe	54.6	76	33	0.20	0.71	2.67	0.81	2.87
Clayton	55.6	78	32	0.00	0.64	1.98	0.94	2.04
Clovis	59.1	80	34	0.00	0.37	4.98	0.81	2.30
Roy	53.4	74	28	0.00	0.61	1.87	0.82	2.14
Tucumcari	60.3	81	35	0.00	0.78	2.87	0.87	2.00
Grants	50.9	75	29	0.07	0.62	1.95	0.45	1.95
Quemado	48.5	76	23	0.00	0.14	1.57	0.60	2.95
Albuquerque	60.4	79	40	0.11	1.06	2.59	0.52	1.96
Carrizozo	56.9	80	28	0.14	0.63	2.67	0.36	2.10
Socorro	57.3	80	35	0.00	0.93	2.28	0.36	1.41
Gran Quivira	53.3	79	31	0.03	0.48	2.72	0.64	2.88
Moriarty	50.6	76	28	0.05	0.63	3.43	0.66	2.10
Ruidoso	49.6	70	27	0.30	0.80	6.46	0.63	4.24
Carlsbad	64.9	88	44	0.58	0.67	5.38	0.49	1.49
Roswell	61.0	84	43	0.00	0.37	3.12	0.65	1.99
Tatum	57.5	82	32	0.00	0.04	4.06	0.64	2.05
Alamogordo	65.9	85	44	0.07	0.32	2.53	0.26	1.93
Animas	59.9	80	41	0.66	0.66	2.63	0.20	1.86
Deming	62.6	87	40	0.72	0.78	2.16	0.18	1.54
Las Cruces	63.4	88	39	0.58	0.76	2.50	0.21	1.26
T or C	62.0	84	40	0.48	0.62	1.88	0.22	1.40

(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction

All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.

INCOME FROM MEAT ANIMALS

NEW MEXICO: Gross income from cattle and calves for 2006 totaled \$909 million, a 6.1 percent decrease from the 2005 gross income of \$968 million. Marketing's for both cattle and calves remained steady, while prices for both decreased. Gross income from sheep and lambs dropped slightly from \$6.7 million in 2005. Prices also saw a significant decrease with a 25 percent drop in sheep and a 15 percent decrease in lambs. Marketing's inclined for both sheep and lambs. Hog and pig gross income totaled \$391,000 in 2006, down 40 percent below the \$655,000 in 2005. Both marketing's and prices were down from the previous year.

UNITED STATES: The 2006 gross income from cattle and calves, hogs and pigs, and sheep and lambs for the U.S. totaled \$64.2 billion, down 2 percent from 2005. Gross income decreased for cattle and calves, hogs and pigs, and sheep and lambs. Cattle and calves decreased slightly, hogs and pigs decreased 6 percent, and sheep and lambs decreased 15 percent. Total 2006 cash receipts from marketings of meat animals decreased 2 percent to \$63.7 billion. Cattle and calves accounted for 77 percent of this total, hogs and pigs 22 percent, and sheep and lambs 1 percent. Production increased for all cattle and calves and hogs and pigs. Production decreased for sheep and lambs. Average prices were down for all three species.

Meat Animals: Marketing, Cash Receipts, Gross Income - New Mexico and U.S., 2005^{1/}-2006

	Unit	New Mexico		United States	
		2005	2006	2005	2006
Cattle & Calves					
<u>Marketings</u> ^{2/}					
Cattle	1,000 head	962.0	964.0	43,876.0	45,001.4
Calves	1,000 head	390.0	390.0	8,958.3	8,984.3
<u>Average Price</u>					
Cattle	\$/Cwt.	87.00	81.10	89.70	87.20
Calves	\$/Cwt.	131.00	128.00	135.00	133.00
Cash Receipts ^{3/}	\$1,000	964,445	905,138	49,295,310	49,148,364
Value of Home Consumption	\$1,000	3,817	3,670	459,077	448,739
Gross Income	\$1,000	968,262	908,808	49,754,387	49,597,103
Sheep & Lambs					
<u>Marketings</u> ^{2/}					
Sheep	1,000 head	12.0	30.0	668.7	682.5
Lambs	1,000 head	57.0	59.0	4,200.2	4,213.6
<u>Average Price</u>					
Sheep	\$/Cwt.	51.00	38.00	45.10	35.20
Lambs	\$/Cwt.	108.00	92.00	110.00	95.50
Cash Receipts ^{3/}	\$1,000	5,908	5,888	567,508	480,561
Value of Home Consumption	\$1,000	748	766	12,690	11,012
Gross Income	\$1,000	6,656	6,654	580,198	491,573
Hogs & Pigs					
<u>Marketings</u> ^{4/}					
All	1,000 head	4.1	3.6	129,042.0	131,664.9
<u>Average Price</u>					
All	\$/Cwt.	47.50	42.00	50.20	46.00
Cash Receipts ^{2/ 5/}	\$1,000	513	279	14,992,406	14,085,346
Value of Home Consumption	\$1,000	142	112	34,761	31,374
Gross Income	\$1,000	655	391	15,027,167	14,116,720

^{1/} Revised. ^{2/} Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and State out-shipments, but excludes inter-farm sales within the State. ^{3/} Receipts from marketing and sale of farm slaughter. ^{4/} Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and inter-farm sales within the State. ^{5/} Includes allowance for higher average price of state in-shipments and out-shipments of feeder pigs.

AGRICULTURAL PRICES RECEIVED

Alfalfa hay prices for April averaged \$172.00 per ton, which held steady with the previous month's price. All hay prices also remained stable at \$170.00 per ton. Cow prices increased \$0.70 cents to \$48.30 per hundredweight. Steer and heifer prices also went up \$4.00 from the March price of \$101.00 per hundredweight and averaged \$105.00 per hundredweight. Prices remained above the national average of \$100.00. Calf prices increased by \$8.00 to \$130.00 per hundredweight and were \$4.00 higher than the national average of \$126.00. Milk cow replacements averaged \$1,750 per head, \$20.00 above the national average of \$1,730. Milk prices were also higher by \$1.00 to \$16.00 per hundredweight.

Prices Received by Farmers: Selected Commodities, March 2007 and April 2006-07

Commodity	Unit	New Mexico			U.S. ^{1/}
		Apr 2006 ^{2/}	Mar 2007 ^{2/}	Apr 2007 ^{1/}	Apr
-----Dollars-----					
CROPS					
Grain Sorghum	Cwt.	—	—	—	5.88
Cotton, Upland	Lb.	—	—	—	.476
Potatoes	Cwt.	—	—	—	9.78
Hay, all baled	Ton	118.00	170.00	170.00	124.00
Alfalfa, baled	Ton	124.00	172.00	172.00	128.00
Peanuts	Lb.	—	—	—	.185
Corn	Bu.	—	—	—	3.20
Wheat, all	Bu.	—	—	—	4.94
LIVESTOCK					
Sheep ^{3/}	Cwt.	—	—	—	35.60
Lambs ^{3/}	Cwt.	—	—	—	95.80
Cows	Cwt.	48.90	47.60	48.30	48.80
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	100.00	101.00	105.00	100.00
Calves	Cwt.	130.00	122.00	130.00	126.00
Milk Cow Replacement ^{4/}	Head	1,770	---	1,750	1,730
Milk	Cwt.	11.10	15.00	16.00	16.40

^{1/} Mid-month ^{2/} Entire month ^{3/} March - entire month ^{4/} Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices published Jan., Apr., Jul. and Oct.