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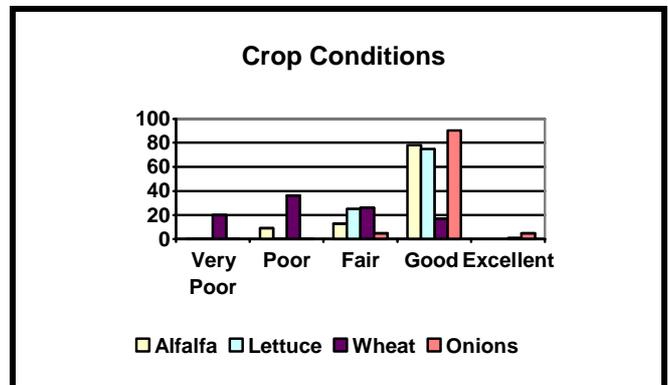
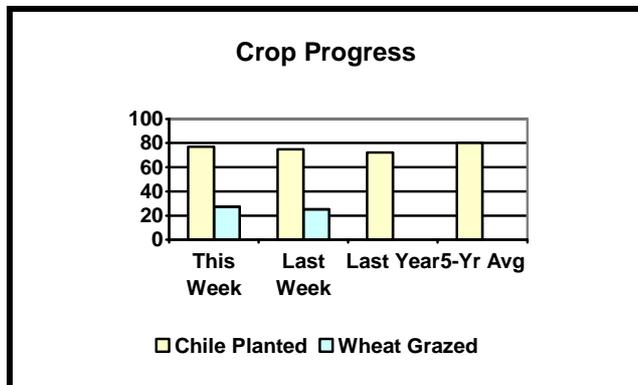
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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING APRIL 13, 2008

NEW MEXICO: There were 6.3 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 70% very short, 23% short, 5% adequate and 2% surplus. Wind damage was 45% light, 18% moderate and 3% severe. Freeze damage was 7% light, 3% moderate and 5% severe. Farmers spent the week planting and irrigating crops, as well as working the soil. Alfalfa was reported as 1% very poor, 6% poor, 22% fair, 58% good and 13% excellent. Corn was reported as 3% planted. Irrigated winter wheat was 6% poor, 49% fair, 42% good, 3% excellent, with 3% headed, and 50% grazed. Dry winter wheat was 34% very poor, 55% poor, and 11% fair, with 12% grazed. Total winter wheat was 20% very poor, 36% poor, 26% fair, 17% good, and 1% excellent, with 1% headed, and 27% grazed. Lettuce was 25% fair and 75% good. Chile was 71% fair, and 29% good, with 77% planted. Onions were 5% fair, 90% good, and 5% excellent. Cattle conditions were 16% poor, 49% fair, 34% good, and 1% excellent. Sheep conditions were 6% very poor, 10% poor, 60% fair, and 24% good. Range and pasture conditions were 26% very poor, 42% poor, 27% fair, and 5% good. Livestock producers have been busy supplemental feeding, hauling water, culling herds, branding and calving. Dry, windy conditions in parts of the state impacted field work and crop conditions, however some parts did see some precipitation.

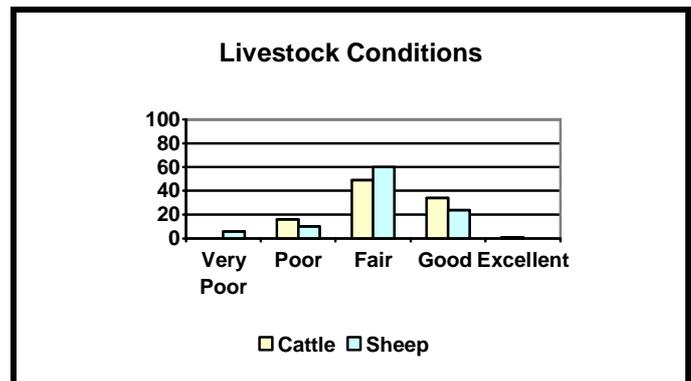
CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
CHILE	Planted	77	75	72	80
CORN	Planted	3	N/A	7	7
COTTON	Planted	N/A	N/A	9	13
WHEAT	Grazed	27	25	N/A	N/A



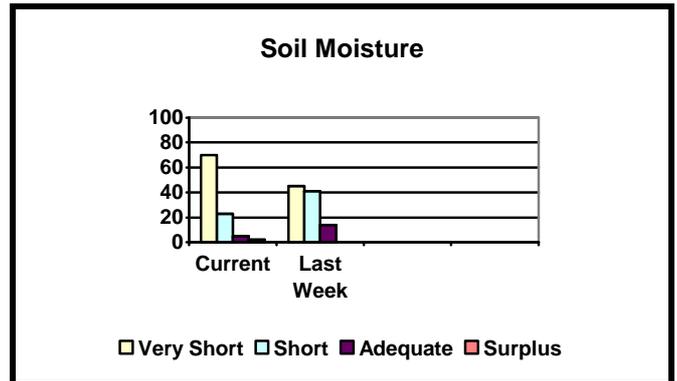
CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	1	6	22	58	13
Chile	---	---	71	29	---
Lettuce	---	---	25	75	---
Onions	---	---	5	90	5
Wheat (All)	20	36	26	17	1
Cattle	---	16	49	34	1
Sheep	6	10	60	24	---
Range/Pasture	26	42	27	5	---



SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	---	---	---	---
Northeast	60	34	6	---
Southwest	90	10	---	---
Southeast	73	12	8	7
State Current	70	23	5	2
State-Last Week	45	41	14	---
State-Last Year	---	---	---	---
State-5-Yr Avg.	---	---	---	---



WEATHER SUMMARY

A cold front moved across the state on Wednesday the 9th bringing below normal high temperatures and precipitation across much of the state. Locations in the northern and eastern part of the state saw multiple days of precipitation from the system. Temperatures did rebound to near normal values by the end of the week however. Daily data was missing from the following stations: Socorro, Ruidoso, and Tatum.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – APRIL 7 - 13, 2008

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week 04/07 04/13	Month 04/01 04/13	Accum. 2008	Normal Apr	Normal Jan-Apr
Farmington	41.7	67	19	0.03	0.03	2.05	0.51	2.48
Gallup	42.1	70	17	0.00	0.00	3.65	0.64	3.23
Capulin	35.6	66	16	0.34	0.39	2.07	1.01	2.86
Chama	34.5	59	7	0.38	0.38	6.28	1.27	6.61
Johnson Ranch	40.1	65	12	0.15	0.15	2.24	0.49	2.47
Las Vegas	41.1	64	19	0.31	0.31	1.20	0.83	2.54
Los Alamos	43.1	62	19	0.02	0.02	2.86	1.00	3.88
Raton	40.1	69	20	0.09	0.10	0.85	1.06	2.90
Red River	25.3	52	3	0.82	0.86	3.17	1.68	5.75
Santa Fe	44.0	68	23	0.07	0.07	2.41	0.81	2.87
Clayton	44.4	73	28	0.01	0.01	2.03	0.94	2.04
Clovis	49.3	80	30	0.24	0.24	2.31	0.81	2.30
Roy	42.3	71	23	0.21	0.26	1.38	0.82	2.14
Tucumcari	51.0	81	31	0.78	0.78	1.10	0.87	2.00
Grants	41.0	66	12	0.00	0.00	1.78	0.45	1.95
Quemado	40.8	70	10	0.05	0.05	1.10	0.60	2.95
Albuquerque	50.6	72	32	0.11	0.11	0.91	0.52	1.96
Carrizozo	49.5	73	16	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.36	2.10
Socorro	51.3	80	27	0.00	0.00	0.14	0.36	1.41
Gran Quivira	46.3	69	22	0.00	0.00	0.91	0.64	2.88
Moriarty	44.1	70	22	0.07	0.07	1.28	0.66	2.10
Ruidoso	44.7	64	17	0.00	0.00	1.41	0.63	4.24
Carlsbad	60.2	86	35	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.49	1.49
Roswell	55.1	85	36	0.00	0.00	0.22	0.65	1.99
Tatum	54.5	84	27	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.64	2.05
Alamogordo	54.6	79	29	0.00	0.00	0.42	0.26	1.93
Animas	56.1	79	35	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.20	1.86
Deming	56.9	80	33	0.00	0.00	0.42	0.18	1.54
Las Cruces	57.9	79	35	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.21	1.26
T or C	54.7	78	35	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.22	1.40

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

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