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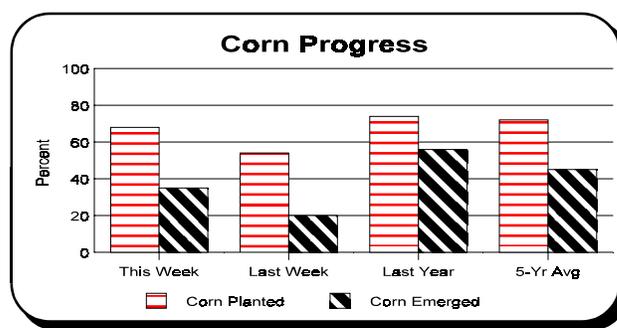
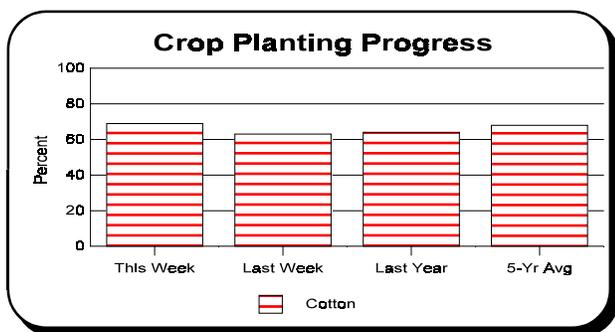
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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 11, 2003

NEW MEXICO: There were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Wind damage was 30% light, 19% moderate, and 1% severe. Most of the damage was to corn, cotton, and wheat. Dryland crops were hit especially hard and land erosion is a major concern. Farmers were busy planting crops, irrigating, cutting hay, harvesting lettuce, and spraying for insects. Alfalfa remained in mostly fair to good condition, with 61% of the first cutting complete. Corn was 68% planted and 35% emerged, with conditions reported as 4% poor, 62% fair, 28% good, and 6% excellent. Cotton was 69% planted and listed as 43% fair, 50% good, and 7% excellent. Total winter wheat was 71% headed, with conditions dropping to 36% very poor, 26% poor, 25% fair, 12% good, and 1% excellent. The dryland crop continues to suffer from dry conditions combined with strong winds. Lettuce was listed as fair to excellent and made good progress with 58% of the harvest complete. Chile conditions were reported as mostly fair to good. Onions were reported as mostly good to excellent. Apples were in fair to good condition, with fruit set listed as 90% light and 10% average. Ranchers spent the week branding, hauling water, and supplementing feed. Those ranchers who haven't been able to provide supplemental feed are seeing weight losses and face culling more animals. Livestock conditions continue to decline with cattle reported as 7% very poor, 14% poor, 41% fair, 37% good, and 1% excellent. Sheep saw a sharper drop in conditions and were listed as 16% very poor, 21% poor, 47% fair, and 16% good. Range and pasture show the same trend, with conditions listed as 34% very poor, 37% poor, 27% fair, and 2% good.

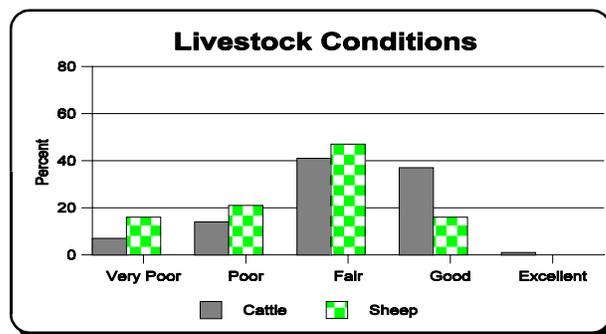
CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
CORN	Planted	68	54	74	72
	Emerged	35	20	56	45
COTTON	Planted	69	63	64	68
LETTUCE	Harvested	58	30	33	47
WHEAT (ALL)	Headed	71	54	83	71



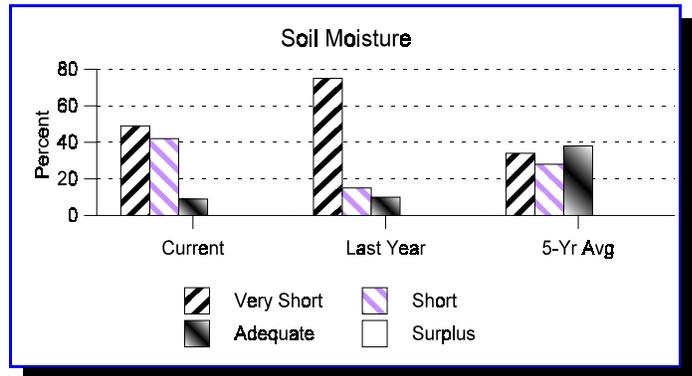
CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	13	9	41	31	6
Apples	-	-	70	30	-
Lettuce	-	-	9	22	69
Chile	-	5	12	74	9
Corn	-	4	62	28	6
Cotton	-	-	43	50	7
Onions	-	-	5	71	24
Wheat (All)	36	26	25	12	1
Cattle	7	14	41	37	1
Sheep	16	21	47	16	-
Range/Pasture	34	37	27	2	-



SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	51	35	14	--
Northeast	61	36	3	--
Southwest	19	81	--	--
Southeast	45	42	13	--
State	49	42	9	--
State-Last Year	75	15	10	--
State-5-Yr Avg.	34	28	38	--



WEATHER SUMMARY

New Mexico experienced a cool, dry week with breezy to windy afternoons. Temperatures were very close to normal in the southeast but generally below normal elsewhere. The statewide average was 4 degrees below normal. Except for the lower elevations of the south and east, most areas had some overnight freezing temperatures. The only measurable precipitation for the week was .02" at Clayton. Precipitation totals for the year have been updated using final numbers at a number of locations.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS MAY 5 - 11, 2003

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	05/05 05/11	05/01 05/11	Normal May	01/01 05/11	Normal Jan-May
Carlsbad	72.6	94	47	0.00	0.00	1.16	1.34	2.65
Tatum	65.9	90	41	0.00	0.00	2.09	0.49	4.14
Roswell	69.4	96	43	0.00	0.00	1.24	0.71	3.23
Clayton	57.1	83	33	0.02	0.02	1.99	1.73	4.03
Clovis	62.1	88	39	0.00	0.00	1.87	0.82	4.17
Roy	--	--	--	0.00	0.00	1.84	0.75	3.98
Tucumcari	63.9	89	37	0.00	0.00	1.49	2.59	3.49
Chama	39.6	65	11	0.00	0.00	1.11	6.10	7.72
Johnson Ranch	45.6	73	21	0.00	0.00	0.62	2.10	3.09
Capulin	48.8	76	20	0.00	0.00	2.30	2.17	5.16
Las Vegas	52.5	75	27	0.00	0.00	1.68	1.10	3.84
Los Alamos	47.6	70	21	T	0.00	1.17	2.00	5.05
Raton	50.8	77	24	0.00	0.00	2.27	2.39	5.17
Santa Fe	50.6	76	26	0.00	0.00	1.22	2.05	4.09
Red River	40.3	60	17	T	0.00	1.77	7.07	7.52
Farmington	51.9	74	27	0.00	0.01	0.67	1.89	3.15
Gallup	47.9	74	19	0.00	0.05	0.51	1.54	3.74
Grants	50.6	77	20	0.00	0.00	0.53	1.55	2.48
Silver City	55.3	75	35	0.00	0.00	0.30	1.91	4.20
Quemado	48.2	76	19	0.00	0.00	0.50	2.49	3.45
Albuquerque	60.4	81	44	0.00	0.00	0.50	2.47	2.46
Carrizozo	60.1	79	33	0.00	0.00	0.62	2.05	2.72
Gran Quivera	56.1	77	31	0.00	0.00	0.82	1.54	3.70
Moriarty	53.8	81	25	0.00	0.00	0.97	1.04	3.07
Ruidoso	55.3	72	29	0.00	0.00	0.87	2.53	5.11
Socorro	61.3	85	30	0.00	0.00	0.52	0.76	1.93
Alamogordo	67.2	88	41	0.00	0.00	0.45	1.28	2.38
Animas	65.4	87	43	0.00	0.00	0.18	1.46	2.04
Deming	62.9	86	37	0.00	0.00	0.19	2.01	1.73
T or C	65.8	83	43	0.00	0.00	0.49	1.15	1.89
Las Cruces	63.8	89	37	0.00	0.00	0.29	1.76	1.55

(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction
 All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.

FLORICULTURE

NEW MEXICO: Total wholesale value for the 2002 floriculture crops surveyed decreased 4 percent from the previous year to \$26.6 million. Neighboring states, Arizona, had a 5 percent decrease in wholesale value, while Colorado and Texas each boasted an 8% increase over 2001 total wholesale value. Poinsettias showed the largest increase in wholesale value, \$1,617,000 compared to the previous year's total of \$1,478,000. Bedding/garden plants sold in flats showed a consistent increase in number of producers during the year. However, only impatiens and other bedding/garden plants showed an increase in wholesale value of production. The largest surveyed floriculture crop in 2002 were in the herbaceous perennial category.

New Mexico Floriculture: Production and Wholesale Value, 2001-2002

Type	Producers		Unit	Number Sold		Wholesale Value ^{1/}		
	2001	2002		2001	2002	2001	2002	
	-----1,000 Units-----				-----1,000 Dollars-----			
Potted Flowering Plants								
Poinsettias	11	10	Pots	408	484	1,478	1,617	
Bedding/Garden Plants								
Impatiens	8	10	Flats	3	3	36	33	
Petunias	10	12	Flats	23	21	271	269	
Marigolds	8	11	Flats	7	8	80	84	
Pansy/Viola	9	11	Flats	23	22	244	225	
Other	11	13	Flats	76	91	913	929	
Vegetable ^{2/}	12	13	Flats	27	30	311	319	
Herbaceous Perennials								
Hardy/Garden Chrysanthemums	9	9	Pots	70	74	102	113	
Other	12	10	Pots	1,386	1,210	1,936	1,437	
Potted Bedding Plants								
Vegetable	8	7	Pots	203	136	128	128	
Other	7	7	Pots	185	193	268	310	
Potted Foliage	8	8	-	--	-	4,048	3,559	
Hanging Baskets								
Geraniums (Cuttings)	5	8	Bskts	16	16	152	139	
Petunias	-	5	Bskts	-	6	-	43	
Other Flowering	9	9	Bskts	23	19	208	182	

^{1/}Equivalent wholesale value of all sales. ^{2/}Does not include vegetable transplants grown for use in commercial vegetable production.

Floriculture Crops: Wholesale Value of Sales by Category & State for Operations with \$100,000+, 2001-2002^{1/}

State	Herbaceous Perennial Plants		Potted Flowering Plants		Foliage for Indoor or Patio Use		Bedding/Garden Plants		Total Wholesale Value	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
	-----\$1,000 Dollars-----									
AZ	26,460	27,364	1,846	1,885	2,021	2,194	23,596	24,207	13,223	12,630
CO	8,335	9,109	10,056	9,380	546	520	48,207	55,237	65,251	70,152
NM	2,038	1,556	17,786	17,597	4,732	4,296	5,225	4,708	27,743	26,601
OK	5,557	5,658	2,690	2,522	905	741	11,442	11,969	15,037	15,232
TX	23,985	32,594	37,712	36,301	16,637	18,032	178,886	197,061	246,764	267,184
UT	3,676	4,373	8,379	12,274	4,165	3,963	18,060	20,347	30,604	36,584
Oth Sts	425,681	490,272	746,281	742,475	621,584	633,308	1,891,086	1,970,165	4,097,603	4,193,814
36 States	495,732	570,926	824,750	822,434	650,590	663,052	2,176,502	2,283,694	4,496,225	4,622,197

HAY STOCKS

Hay Stocks on Farms: All hay stored on farms May 1, 2003 totaled 22.2 million tons, down 1 percent from the previous year. This decrease was mainly the result of lower hay production in 2002. Disappearance of hay from December 1, 2002 - May 1, 2003, totaled 81.6 million tons, 7 percent less than the disappearance of 88.0 million tons for the same period a year earlier.

Hay: Stocks on Farms by State and U.S., December 1 and May 1, 2000-2003

State	December 1			May 1		
	2000	2001	2002	2001	2002	2003
	-----1,000 Tons-----					
AZ	250	223	203	33	28	45
CA	1,954	1,961	2,235	180	232	200
CO	1,770	1,990	1,560	286	535	360
KS	4,500	5,600	4,800	500	1,040	1,150
MO	5,392	6,989	6,350	799	1,021	1,019
MT	3,168	3,600	4,019	427	845	970
NV	801	776	881	112	111	167
NM	600	600	620	75	65	110
ND	5,212	5,020	4,300	1,120	1,050	940
OK	3,700	3,300	4,500	450	500	1,000
SD	8,200	8,235	5,800	1,550	1,900	1,100
TX	7,104	7,477	10,803	1,450	1,625	4,017
WA	1,303	1,513	1,620	195	170	285
WY	1,550	1,506	1,250	151	180	200
All Other Sts	60,078	61,720	54,815	13,778	13,192	10,625
U.S.	105,582	110,510	103,756	21,106	22,494	22,188