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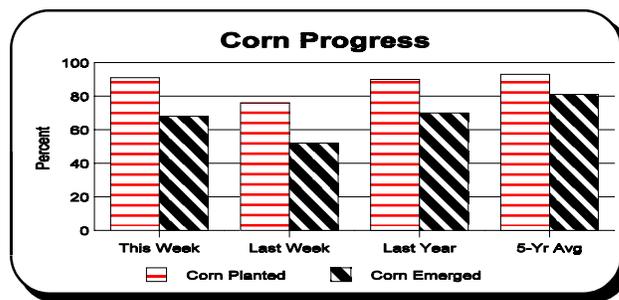
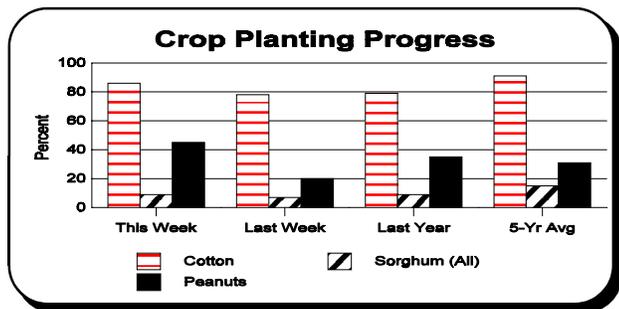
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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 25, 2003

NEW MEXICO: There were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Wind damage was 33% light, 7% moderate, and 1% severe. There was some damage to corn due to wind. Farmers were busy maintaining crops, irrigating, weeding, and planting. Alfalfa remained in mostly fair condition with 70% of the first cutting complete and the second cutting just beginning. Total sorghum planted was reported at 9%. Corn was 91% planted and 68% emerged, with conditions reported as 11% poor, 53% fair, 28% good, and 8% excellent. Cotton was 86% planted with conditions reported at 1% poor, 54% fair, 30% good, and 15% excellent. Total winter wheat was 99% headed, with conditions dropping to 50% very poor, 24% poor, 20% fair, and 6% good. Lettuce was reported at 80% harvested. Chile conditions were reported as mostly fair to good. Onions were reported as mostly good to excellent with the harvest 11% complete. Peanut planting was reported as 45% complete. Apples were listed as between poor and good, with fruit set at 98% light and 2% average. Various insects were reported in large amounts, such as aphids, alfalfa weevils, and cutworms. Ranchers spent the week branding, hauling water, and supplementing feed. Livestock conditions show a slight improvement with cattle reported as 6% very poor, 18% poor, 47% fair, and 29% good. Sheep saw a slight increase with 8% very poor, 15% poor, 63% fair, and 14% good. Range and pasture conditions showed a slight decrease at 31% very poor, 39% poor, 29% fair, and 1% good.

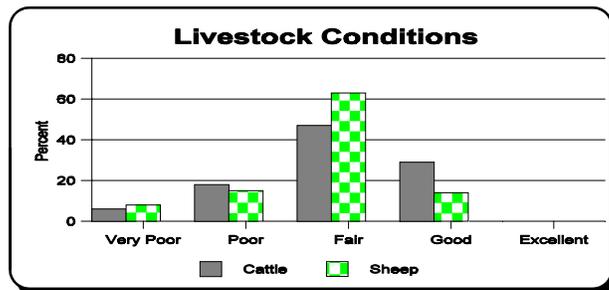
CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
CORN	Planted	91	76	90	93
	Emerged	68	52	70	81
COTTON	Planted	86	78	79	91
LETTUCE	Harvested	80	75	63	83
ONIONS	Harvested	11	5	13	8
PEANUTS	Planted	45	20	35	31
SORGHUM	Planted	9	7	9	15
WHEAT (ALL)	Headed	99	87	97	96



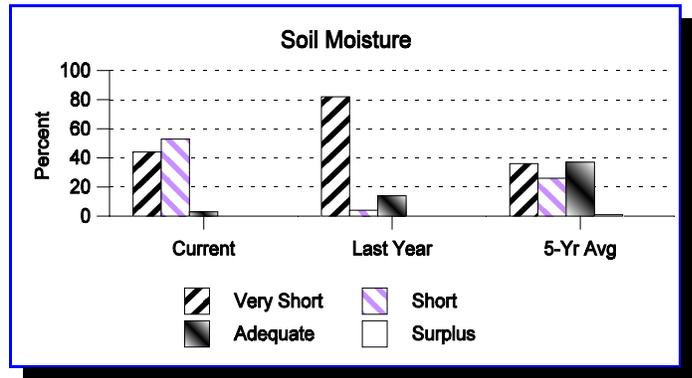
CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	8	10	55	22	5
Apples	—	20	60	20	—
Chile	—	2	10	79	9
Corn	—	11	53	28	8
Cotton	—	1	54	30	15
Onions	—	—	6	59	35
Wheat (All)	50	24	20	6	—
Cattle	6	18	47	29	—
Sheep	8	15	63	14	—
Range/Pasture	31	39	29	1	—



SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	32	60	8	--
Northeast	57	39	4	--
Southwest	38	62	--	--
Southeast	33	67	--	--
State	44	53	3	--
State-Last Year	82	4	14	--
State-5-Yr Avg.	36	26	37	1



WEATHER SUMMARY

A few areas received some beneficial rainfall as a couple of surges of moisture moved into the state during the week. Most of the rain was over the eastern portion of New Mexico, where Moriarty, Tatum, Carlsbad, and Tatum all measured over an inch. This was the largest rain event of the year so far for some of these locations. Temperatures for the week were close to normal in the east but generally 5 to 10 degrees above normal in the west.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS MAY 19- 25, 2003

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	05/19 05/25	05/01 05/25	Normal May	01/01 05/25	Normal Jan-May
Carlsbad	71.6	100	48	1.72	1.72	1.16	3.06	2.65
Tatum	66.8	94	47	1.48	1.48	2.09	1.97	4.14
Roswell	70.1	95	50	0.39	0.39	1.24	1.10	3.23
Clayton	60.9	83	39	0.01	0.01	1.99	3.11	4.03
Clovis	66.3	93	45	0.38	0.38	1.87	1.20	4.17
Roy	--	--	--	0.00	0.00	1.84	0.75	3.98
Tucumcari	68.2	92	48	1.58	1.58	1.49	4.17	3.49
Chama	54.9	82	27	0.47	0.47	1.11	6.69	7.72
Johnson Ranch	61.3	87	33	0.00	0.00	0.62	2.10	3.09
Capulin	57.1	83	35	0.25	0.25	2.30	2.92	5.16
Las Vegas	57.6	83	35	0.47	0.47	1.68	1.57	3.84
Los Alamos	61.0	80	37	0.99	0.99	1.17	2.99	5.05
Raton	59.1	88	32	0.09	0.09	2.27	2.50	5.17
Santa Fe	62.1	88	35	0.06	0.06	1.22	2.11	4.09
Red River	51.4	75	28	0.36	0.36	1.77	7.45	7.52
Farmington	67.8	90	42	T	0.01	0.67	1.89	3.15
Gallup	61.4	86	35	T	0.05	0.51	1.54	3.74
Grants	61.9	86	35	0.03	0.03	0.53	1.58	2.48
Silver City	66.5	89	43	0.00	0.00	0.30	1.91	4.20
Quemado	59.8	83	31	0.16	0.16	0.50	2.65	3.45
Albuquerque	69.9	90	49	0.03	0.03	0.50	2.50	2.46
Carrizozo	69.1	91	41	0.00	0.00	0.62	2.05	2.72
Gran Quivera	65.1	88	38	0.00	0.00	0.82	1.54	3.70
Moriarty	63.7	90	40	1.16	1.16	0.97	2.20	3.07
Ruidoso	58.0	82	36	0.03	0.03	0.87	2.56	5.11
Socorro	69.6	90	44	0.00	0.00	0.52	0.76	1.93
Alamogordo	76.1	97	54	0.00	0.00	0.45	1.28	2.38
Animas	75.4	97	52	0.00	0.00	0.18	1.46	2.04
Deming	73.4	98	51	0.00	0.00	0.19	2.01	1.73
T or C	73.1	95	52	0.10	0.10	0.49	1.25	1.89
Las Cruces	66.1	98	50	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.

MILK PRODUCTION

NEW MEXICO: High winds during the previous weeks appeared to be affecting milk , however temperatures have been mild so increased production is expected as the state moves towards its peak. Milk production during April totaled 570 million pounds, down 1.4 percent from the previous month but 6.5 percent higher than April 2002. Production per cow averaged 1,810 pounds compared to the previous month's total of 1,835. The average number of milk cows remained at 315,000 head. New Mexico continues to be ranked 7th in the nation in milk production.

UNITED STATES: Milk production in the 20 major States during April totaled 12.7 billion pounds, up 0.8 percent from April 2002. March revised production, at 13.0 billion pounds, was up 1.2 percent from March 2002. The March revision represented a decrease of 0.2 percent or 27 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,625 pounds for April, 4 pounds above April 2002. The number of milk cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.80 million head, 42,000 head more than April 2002, but 11,000 head less than March 2003.

Milk Cows and Production: March 2002^{1/} and April 2002-2003

State	Milk Cows ^{2/}			Milk per Cow ^{3/}			Milk Production ^{3/}		
	4/02	3/03	4/03	4/02	3/03	4/03	4/02	3/03	4/03
	-----1,000 Head-----			-----Pounds-----			-----Million Pounds-----		
AZ	144	150	150	2,195	2,155	2,115	316	323	317
CA	1,635	1,691	1,695	1,795	1,830	1,785	2,935	3,095	3,026
FL	151	147	146	1,455	1,515	1,465	220	223	214
ID	382	395	395	1,740	1,850	1,800	665	731	711
IL	115	113	111	1,610	1,670	1,610	185	189	179
IN	152	145	145	1,480	1,565	1,530	225	227	222
IA	209	203	203	1,585	1,640	1,610	331	333	327
KY	123	120	120	1,240	1,135	1,130	153	136	136
MI	296	299	300	1,675	1,755	1,695	496	525	509
MN	490	480	475	1,510	1,540	1,485	740	739	705
MO	138	131	130	1,325	1,340	1,325	183	176	172
NM	295	315	315	1,815	1,835	1,810	535	578	570
NY	680	685	684	1,520	1,530	1,510	1,034	1,048	1,033
OH	262	260	261	1,470	1,500	1,490	385	390	389
PA	581	585	582	1,600	1,600	1,575	930	936	917
TX	309	312	312	1,585	1,650	1,640	490	515	512
VT	154	151	150	1,495	1,530	1,495	230	231	224
VA	120	118	118	1,410	1,340	1,330	169	158	157
WA	247	248	248	1,910	1,950	1,900	472	484	471
WI	1,275	1,263	1,260	1,475	1,530	1,495	1,881	1,932	1,884
20 STS	7,758	7,811	7,800	1,621	1,660	1,625	12,575	12,969	12,675

1/ Revised. 2/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 3/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

CATTLE ON FEED

NEW MEXICO: Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 101,000 head on May 1, 2003. This compares to 105,000 head on April 1, 2003 and 97,000 head on May 1, 2002. Placements in feedlots during April rose to 21,000 from the previous month's total of 16,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during the month totaled 24,000 head. This was 2,000 head higher than the March 2003 total of 22,000 head. Other disappearance held at 1,000 head for the month of April.

UNITED STATES: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.53 million head on May 1, 2003. Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.87 million, 29 percent above 2002 and 21 percent above 2001. Net placements were 1.81 million. Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.99 million, 1 percent below 2002 but 9 percent above 2001. Other disappearance totaled 63,000 during April, 24 percent below 2002 and 29 percent below 2001.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots ^{1/}

	Number on Feed			Placed			Marketed			Other Disappearance ^{2/}		
	5/1/02	4/1/03	5/1/03	DURING								
				4/02	3/03	4/03	4/02	3/03	4/03	4/02	3/03	4/03
	-----1,000 Head-----											
AZ	304	278	269	26	31	32	34	29	40	2	3	1
CA	480	470	465	59	62	61	61	58	63	3	4	3
CO	1,080	970	1,000	165	*160	200	190	*175	165	15	5	5
ID	315	280	275	52	58	45	60	57	49	2	1	1
IA	385	365	360	40	56	57	49	55	60	1	1	2
KS	2,270	2,320	2,270	320	510	420	445	410	450	25	20	20
NE	2,170	2,190	2,080	260	320	320	380	310	420	10	10	10
NM	97	105	101	11	16	21	26	22	24	1	1	1
OK	340	340	330	49	94	68	67	71	75	2	3	3
SD	215	215	215	28	44	31	32	43	29	1	1	2
TX	2,700	2,670	2,680	365	600	540	550	480	520	15	10	10
WA	215	180	170	26	31	25	39	30	34	2	1	1
Oth Sts	380	320	310	52	55	50	63	58	56	4	2	4
US	10,951	10,703	10,525	1,453	*2,037	1,870	1,996	*1,798	1,985	83	62	63

^{1/} Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. ^{2/} Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding. * Revised.