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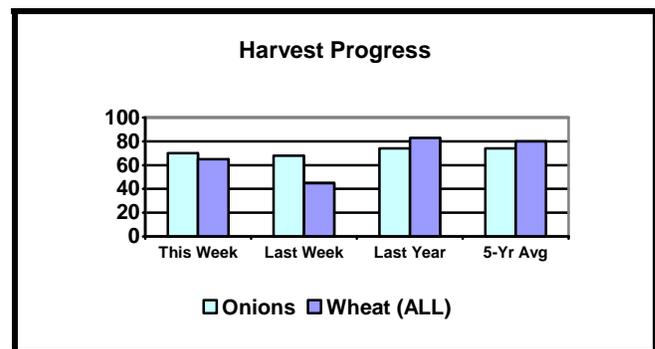
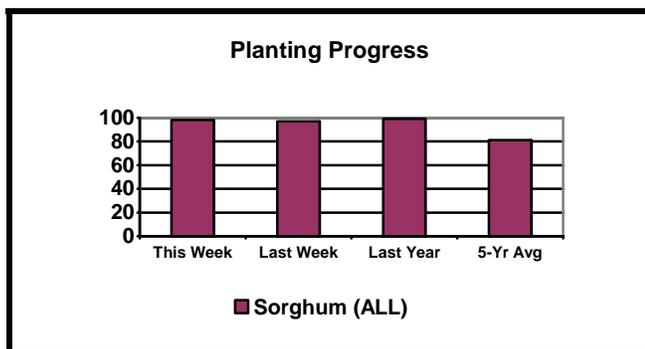
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### CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 1, 2007

**NEW MEXICO:** There were 6.6 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 11% very short, 29% short, 60% adequate. Wind damage was 18% light, 11% moderate, 2% severe. Farmers spent the week cutting and baling hay, irrigating, cultivating, planting and harvesting crops. Alfalfa was reported as 3% poor, 7% fair, 60% good and 30% excellent with 91% of the second cutting complete and 36% of the third cutting complete. Cotton was reported as 18% poor, 23% fair, 41% good and 18% excellent with 57% squaring and 6% setting bolls. Corn was reported as 2% poor, 4% fair, 55% good and 39% excellent with 10% silked. Irrigated sorghum was reported as 10% fair, 89% good , 1% excellent with 100% planted. Dry sorghum was reported as 25% fair and 75% good with 96% planted. Total sorghum was reported as 19% fair and 81% good with 98% planted. Irrigated winter wheat was reported as 10% fair, 85% good and 5% excellent with 79% harvested. Dry winter wheat was reported as 30% fair, 70% good with 55% harvested. Total winter wheat was reported as 22% fair, 76% good and 2% excellent with 65% harvested. Chile was reported as 5% very poor, 10% poor, 45% fair, 20% good and 20% excellent. Onion conditions were reported as 20% fair, 30% good and 50% excellent with 70% harvested. Apples were reported as 25% very poor, 13% poor, 50% fair and 12% good. Pecans were reported as 1% very poor, 27% fair, 34% good and 38% excellent. Peanuts were reported as 53% fair, 43% good, 4% excellent with 30% pegging. Cattle conditions were reported at 1% very poor, 4% poor, 13% fair, 62% good and 20% excellent. Sheep conditions were reported as 6% very poor, 9% poor, 10% fair, 59% good and 16% excellent. Range and pasture conditions were reported as 5% very poor, 11% poor, 25% fair, 50% good and 9% excellent. Ranchers are hauling water and preparing to supplemental feed.

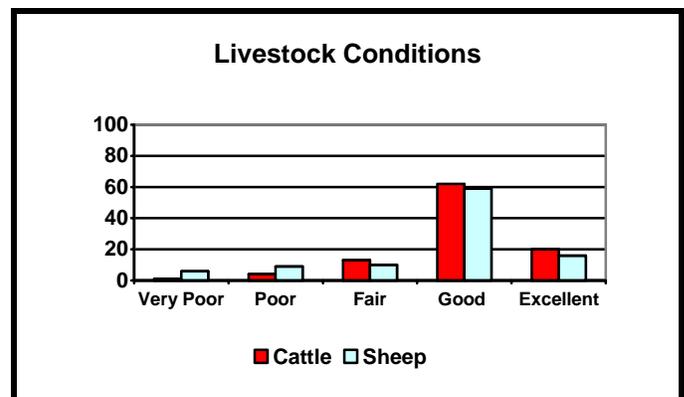
### CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
COTTON	Squaring	57	27	54	67
ONIONS	Harvested	70	68	74	74
PEANUTS	Pegging	30	16	19	34
SORGHUM (ALL)	Planted	98	97	99	81
WHEAT (ALL)	Harvested	65	45	83	80



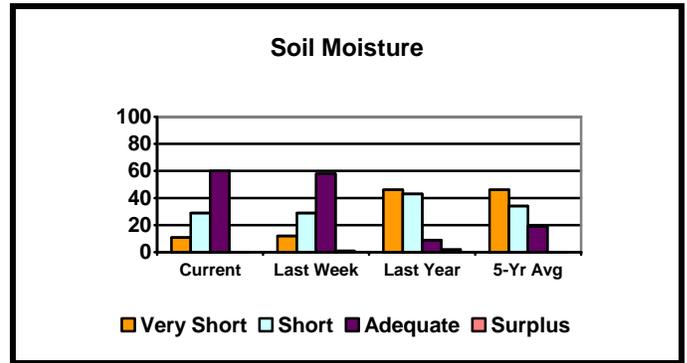
### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	-	3	7	60	30
Corn	-	2	4	55	39
Cotton	-	18	23	41	18
Chile	5	10	45	20	20
Pecans	1	-	27	34	38
Onions	-	-	20	30	50
Peanuts	-	-	53	43	4
Sorghum (All)	-	-	19	81	-
Wheat (All)	-	-	22	76	2
Cattle	1	4	13	62	20
Sheep	6	9	10	59	16
Range/Pasture	5	11	25	50	9



**SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES**

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	24	52	24	-
Northeast	13	24	63	-
Southwest	-	17	83	-
Southeast	-	20	79	1
State Current	11	29	60	-
State-Last Week	12	29	58	1
State-Last Year	46	43	9	2
State-5-Yr Avg.	47	34	19	-



**WEATHER SUMMARY**

The last week of June saw a warming trend with temperatures climbing slightly above normal by the 1st of July. Precipitation generally favored the higher terrain of the state near the central mountains with daytime thunderstorms being the predominant source.

**NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - JUNE 25- JULY 1, 2007**

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	06/25 07/01	07/01 07/01	01/01 07/01	Normal July	Normal Jan-July
Farmington	77.9	100	53	0.00	0.00	5.03	0.94	4.31
Gallup	71.0	97	41	0.00	0.00	3.80	1.91	6.10
Capulin	64.5	83	47	1.11	0.00	11.57	3.25	10.52
Chama	66.0	90	43	0.00	0.00	10.31	2.24	11.08
Johnson Ranch	71.2	95	44	0.00	0.00	3.60	1.66	5.43
Las Vegas	66.6	91	48	1.21	0.00	7.69	3.20	9.60
Los Alamos	70.3	91	52	0.00	0.00	5.28	3.25	9.66
Raton	69.6	92	50	0.61	0.26	5.07	2.66	9.82
Red River	57.4	83	36	0.72	0.11	11.86	3.01	11.93
Santa Fe	73.4	97	53	0.41	0.00	5.13	2.38	7.64
Clayton	70.7	94	52	0.50	0.00	8.05	2.70	9.00
Clovis	74.7	92	57	0.38	0.00	10.72	2.56	9.57
Roy	69.3	91	51	1.35	0.00	7.66	2.97	9.03
Tucumcari	75.9	97	57	0.73	0.00	6.88	3.30	8.57
Grants	70.7	96	41	0.08	0.00	3.42	1.76	4.79
Quemado	75.0	89	58	0.00	0.00	1.96	2.37	6.56
Albuquerque	81.4	99	64	0.00	0.00	4.57	1.37	4.42
Carrizozo	75.8	98	52	0.00	0.00	5.24	2.05	5.55
Socorro	78.3	100	56	0.00	0.00	3.89	1.44	3.94
Gran Quivira	72.9	96	50	0.15	0.00	5.73	2.81	7.52
Moriarty	71.2	96	49	0.09	0.00	6.07	2.38	6.37
Ruidoso	66.6	89	48	0.32	0.11	12.51	4.02	10.99
Carlsbad	79.1	99	62	0.77	0.00	9.38	1.79	5.74
Roswell	77.7	97	59	1.61	0.00	8.13	1.99	6.74
Tatum	73.5	92	55	0.28	0.00	12.24	2.52	8.69
Alamogordo	81.0	98	67	0.00	0.00	2.97	2.23	5.51
Animas	85.8	104	69	0.00	0.00	3.15	2.26	4.74
Deming	83.1	105	61	0.00	0.00	3.20	2.15	4.43
Las Cruces	83.5	103	63	0.05	0.00	4.82	1.36	3.63
T or C	82.9	102	63	0.01	0.00	3.53	1.86	4.44

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

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

## AGRICULTURAL PRICES RECEIVED

**NEW MEXICO:** Alfalfa hay prices for June increased from the May price of \$175.00 per ton to \$177.00 per ton. All Hay prices also increased by \$2.00 to \$174.00 per ton. The national average for Alfalfa was \$137.00 per ton and \$131.00 per ton for All Hay. Cow prices remained at \$52.00 per hundredweight, \$2.00 above the national average of \$50.00 per hundredweight. Steer and heifer prices for June dropped by \$2.00 to \$100.00 per hundredweight, but remained \$6.00 above the national average price of \$94.00. Calf prices for the month of June were \$126.00 per hundredweight, \$1.00 above the national average. Milk prices for the state were \$19.00 per hundredweight, compared to \$20.00 per hundredweight for the U.S. average.

### Prices Received by Farmers: Selected Commodities, May 2007 and June 2006-07

Commodity	Unit	New Mexico			U.S. <sup>1/</sup>
		June 2006 <sup>2/</sup>	May 2007 <sup>2/</sup>	June 2007 <sup>1/</sup>	June
-----Dollars-----					
<b>CROPS</b>					
Grain Sorghum	Cwt.	—	—	—	6.60
Cotton, Upland	Lb.	—	—	—	.451
Potatoes	Cwt.	—	—	—	8.33
Hay, all baled	Ton	157.00	172.00	174.00	131.00
Alfalfa, baled	Ton	160.00	175.00	177.00	137.00
Peanuts	Lb.	—	—	—	.181
Corn	Bu.	—	—	—	3.77
Wheat, all	Bu.	—	—	—	5.28
<b>LIVESTOCK</b>					
Sheep <sup>3/</sup>	Cwt.	—	—	—	30.30
Lambs <sup>3/</sup>	Cwt.	—	—	—	96.60
Cows	Cwt.	42.80	52.00	52.00	50.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	109.00	102.00	100.00	94.00
Calves	Cwt.	132.00	125.00	126.00	125.00
Milk	Cwt.	10.80	17.40	19.00	20.00

<sup>1/</sup> Mid-month <sup>2/</sup> Entire month <sup>3/</sup> May - entire month

## GRAIN STOCKS

**UNITED STATES:** Corn stocks in all positions on June 1, 2007 totaled 3.53 billion bushels, down 19 percent from June 1, 2006. Of the total stocks, 1.83 billion bushels are stored on farms, down 22 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 1.71 billion bushels, are down 15 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2007 indicated disappearance is 2.53 billion bushels, compared with 2.63 billion bushels during the same period last year. All wheat stored in all positions on June 1, 2007 totaled 456 million bushels, down 20 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 73.2 million bushels, down 34 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 383 million bushels, are down 17 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2007 indicated disappearance is 401 million bushels, up slightly from the same period a year earlier.

### U.S. Grain Stocks, By Position and Month 2006-2007

Date	2006			2007		
	On Farms	Off Farms <sup>1/</sup>	Total All Positions	On Farms	Off Farms <sup>1/</sup>	Total All Positions
-----1,000 Bushels-----						
<b>CORN</b>						
Mar 1	4,055,000	2,932,328	6,987,328	3,330,000	2,738,250	6,068,250
June 1	2,350,500	2,011,199	4,361,699	1,826,600	1,707,101	3,533,701
Sep 1	749,500	1,217,661	1,967,161	---	---	---
Dec 1	5,627,000	3,305,707	8,932,707	---	---	---
<b>SORGHUM</b>						
Mar 1	26,200	166,936	193,136	17,100	125,122	142,222
June 1	12,650	102,213	114,863	5,380	69,498	74,878
Sep 1	5,250	60,413	65,663	---	---	---
Dec 1	38,100	174,094	212,194	---	---	---
<b>ALL WHEAT</b>						
Mar 1	256,000	716,215	972,215	192,450	664,278	856,728
June 1	111,010	460,180	571,190	73,190	382,503	455,963
Sep 1	572,020	1,178,524	1,750,544	---	---	---
Dec 1	403,250	911,408	1,314,658	---	---	---

<sup>1/</sup> Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors.

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2007 JUNE ACREAGE

**NEW MEXICO:** Corn planted for all purposes is estimated at 130,000 acres, the same as in 2006. Acres planted to sorghum are estimated at 125,000 acres, compared to 110,000 acres the previous year. Upland cotton acreage remained in line with the previous year at 50,000 acres. American-pima acreage dropped from the previous year's total of 13,000 acres to 9,000 acres. Growers expect to harvest 260,000 acres of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures and 90,000 acres of all other hay. Area planted to peanuts in 2007 is estimated at 12,000 acres same as previous year. Area planted to dry beans is 7,500 acres, down from 8,200 in 2006. Harvested acreage of winter wheat is expected to reach 280,000 acres compared to 120,000 in 2006.

**UNITED STATES:** Corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at 92.9 million acres in 2007, up 19 percent from 2006 and 14 percent higher than 2005. The 2007 winter wheat planted area, at 45.1 million acres, is 11 percent above last year and up 1 percent from the previous estimate. Area planted to sorghum in 2007 is estimated at 7.77 million acres, up 19 percent from 2006. Area to be harvested for grain is forecast at 6.70 million acres, up 36 percent from last year. Upland cotton planted area totals 10.8 million acres, down 28 percent from 2006 and the lowest acreage since 1989. American-Pima cotton planted acreage is estimated at 298,000 acres, down 9 percent from 2006. California accounts for 265,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from last year and surpasses upland acreage for the first time in history. Expected area for harvest of all other hay totals 40.3 million acres, up 2 percent from 2006. Expected harvested area of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures, at 21.5 million acres, is up marginally from last year. Area planted to peanuts in 2007 is estimated at 1.19 million acres, down 5 percent from 2006. This is the lowest planted acreage since 1915. Area for harvest is forecast at 1.16 million acres, down 4 percent from last year.

2007 JUNE CROP ACREAGE SUMMARY, NEW MEXICO AND UNITED STATES, WITH COMPARISON

Crop	Acres Planted For All Purposes			Acres Harvested <sup>1/</sup>		
	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006	2006	2007 <sup>2/</sup>	2007 as % of 2006
	-----1,000 Acres-----			-----1,000 Acres-----		
	Percent			Percent		
<b>NEW MEXICO</b>						
Winter Wheat <sup>3/</sup>	440	490	111	120	280	233
Sorghum	110	125	114	60	70	117
Corn	130	130	100	45	45	100
Alfalfa Hay	---	---	---	220	260	118
Other Hay	---	---	---	90	90	100
Upland Cotton	50.0	50.0	100	48.0	<sup>4/</sup>	---
A-P Cotton	13.0	9.0	69	12.5	<sup>4/</sup>	---
Peanuts	12.0	12.0	100	12.0	12.0	100
Dry Beans	8.2	7.5	91	8.2	7.5	91
<b>UNITED STATES</b>						
Winter Wheat	40,575	45,136	111	31,117	37,588	121
Sorghum	6,522	7,765	119	4,937	6,698	136
Corn	78,327	92,888	119	70,648	85,418	121
Alfalfa Hay	---	---	---	21,384	21,451	100
Other Hay	---	---	---	39,423	40,338	102
Upland Cotton	14,948.0	10,760.0	72	12,408.0	<sup>4/</sup>	---
A-P Cotton	326.0	298.0	91	323.5	<sup>4/</sup>	---
Peanuts	1,243.0	1,187.0	95	1,209.0	1,158.0	96
Dry Beans	1,629.8	1,498.5	92	1,537.6	1,423.4	93

<sup>1/</sup> Harvested for principal use of each crop, i.e., grain, nuts, etc. <sup>2/</sup> Forecasted. <sup>3/</sup> Includes area planted in preceding fall. <sup>4/</sup> Estimates to be released August 12, 2006 in the August Crop Production report.