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Crop Weather Milk Production Cattle on Feed

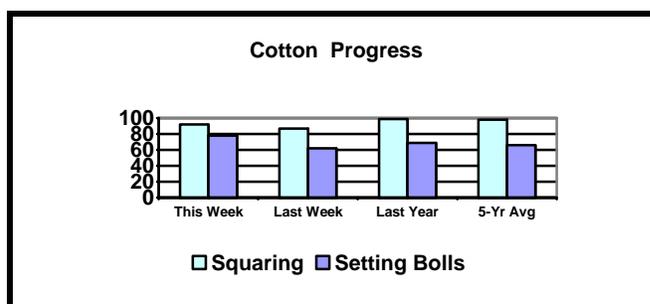
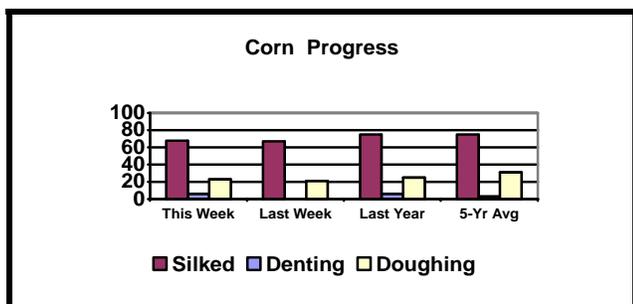
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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 29, 2007

NEW MEXICO: There were 6.7 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 7% very short, 31% short, 59% adequate and 3% surplus. Wind damage was 10% light and 2% moderate. Hail damage was 6% light, 4% moderate and 2% severe. Farmers spent the week cutting and baling hay, as well as cultivating, irrigating, fertilizing and spraying for pests. Alfalfa was reported as 1% poor, 28% fair, 38% good and 33% excellent with 88% of the third cutting complete and 30% of the fourth cutting complete. Cotton was reported as 11% poor, 38% fair, 35% good and 16% excellent with 92% squaring and 78% setting bolls. Corn was reported as 28% fair, 40% good and 32% excellent with 68% silked, 23% dough and 6% dent. Irrigated sorghum was reported as 26% fair, 73% good, and 1% excellent with 12% headed and 3% coloring. Dry sorghum was reported as 63% fair and 37% good with 5% headed. Total sorghum was reported as 48% fair and 52% good with 8% headed and 2% coloring. Chile was reported as 5% very poor, 13% poor, 35% fair, 33% good and 14% excellent with 20% light pod set, 69% average pod set and 11% heavy pod set. Onions were reported as 100% harvested. Apples were reported as 25% very poor, 13% poor, 37% fair and 25% good. Pecans were reported as 1% very poor, 20% fair, 29% good and 50% excellent. Peanuts were reported as 2% poor, 77% fair, 19% good, 2% excellent with 68% pegging. Cattle conditions were reported as 1% very poor, 2% poor, 10% fair, 58% good and 29% excellent. Sheep conditions were reported as 7% very poor, 10% poor, 4% fair, 44% good and 35% excellent. Range and pasture conditions were reported as 5% very poor, 10% poor, 31% fair, 43% good and 11% excellent. Ranchers are still supplemental feeding and hauling water. Ranges and pastures are still in need of additional moisture.

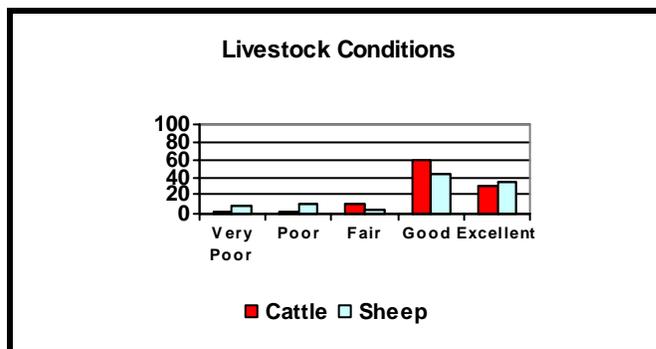
CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
CORN	Silked	68	67	75	75
CORN	Denting	6	N/A	6	3
CORN	Doughing	23	21	25	31
COTTON	Squaring	92	87	99	98
COTTON	Setting Bolls	78	62	69	66
ONIONS	Harvested	100	99	90	96
PEANUTS	Pegging	68	58	75	76



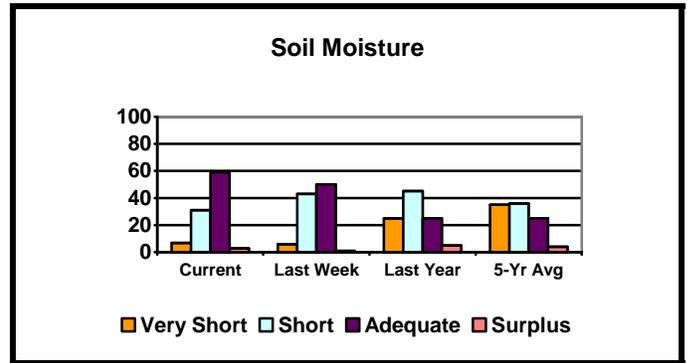
CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	---	1	28	38	33
Corn	---	---	28	40	32
Cotton	---	11	38	35	16
Chile	5	13	35	33	14
Pecans	1	---	20	29	50
Peanuts	---	2	77	19	2
Sorghum (All)	---	---	48	52	---
Cattle	1	2	10	58	29
Sheep	7	10	4	44	35
Range/Pasture	5	10	31	43	11



SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	23	38	38	1
Northeast	6	40	53	1
Southwest	---	27	73	---
Southeast	---	8	81	11
State Current	7	31	59	3
State-Last Week	6	43	50	1
State-Last Year	25	45	25	5
State-5-Yr Avg.	35	36	25	4



WEATHER SUMMARY

A generally wet pattern prevailed over the northwestern two thirds of the state this past week. The locales of Raton and Ruidoso measured over an inch of precipitation last week while Gallup measured over two inches of precipitation. Most of the state experienced seasonable temperatures with the exception of some southern locales reading slightly below normal due to prolonged cloud cover. Data for Alamogordo remains missing, while data was temporarily incomplete at Quemado Ranger Station, Carrizozo, and Capulin.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - JULY 23 - 29, 2007

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	07/23 07/29	07/01 07/29	01/01 07/29	Normal July	Normal Jan-July
Farmington	76.5	93	60	0.07	0.59	5.47	0.94	4.31
Gallup	71.9	88	57	2.07	4.19	7.73	1.91	6.10
Capulin	66.9	84	52	0.63	2.68	14.44	3.25	10.52
Chama	66.0	87	46	0.63	2.00	12.43	2.24	11.08
Johnson Ranch	69.9	89	51	0.05	0.44	5.36	1.66	5.43
Las Vegas	67.6	84	51	0.49	4.28	11.56	3.20	9.60
Los Alamos	68.1	85	53	0.12	1.64	8.07	3.25	9.66
Raton	70.8	89	52	1.30	4.24	9.46	2.66	9.82
Red River	57.2	78	41	0.14	4.75	16.28	3.01	11.93
Santa Fe	71.3	87	55	0.15	1.44	6.73	2.38	7.64
Clayton	76.3	94	58	0.04	1.67	10.39	2.70	9.00
Clovis	76.9	93	63	0.05	1.68	13.75	2.56	9.57
Roy	73.1	89	56	0.20	1.31	9.17	2.97	9.03
Tucumcari	80.1	98	62	0.11	0.81	9.21	3.30	8.57
Grants	70.2	89	49	0.20	1.12	4.62	1.76	4.79
Quemado	67.8	85	48	0.07	0.45	2.97	2.37	6.56
Albuquerque	77.4	90	62	0.16	1.42	6.67	1.37	4.42
Carrizozo	71.7	90	54	0.31	1.19	7.25	2.05	5.55
Socorro	75.7	94	56	0.14	1.26	5.35	1.44	3.94
Gran Quivira	69.7	85	54	0.40	4.46	10.29	2.81	7.52
Moriarty	70.2	91	50	0.15	0.47	6.52	2.38	6.37
Ruidoso	63.3	79	47	1.50	4.83	16.66	4.02	10.99
Carlsbad	78.4	94	63	0.09	0.58	9.71	1.79	5.74
Roswell	76.3	93	61	0.12	2.14	9.38	1.99	6.74
Tatum	73.4	90	58	0.02	1.38	14.86	2.52	8.69
Alamogordo	0.0	0	0	0.00	2.99	5.96	2.23	5.51
Animas	69.6	85	57	0.40	2.24	5.43	2.26	4.74
Deming	79.8	97	62	0.05	0.86	3.82	2.15	4.43
Las Cruces	78.9	95	65	0.55	1.70	6.79	1.36	3.63
T or C	77.9	94	62	0.37	0.67	4.34	1.86	4.44

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

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

MILK PRODUCTION

NEW MEXICO: Milk production in New Mexico during June totaled 608 million pounds. Milk per cow for the month averaged 1,815 pounds. Number of milk cows on farms totaled 335,000 head. Nationally, New Mexico is ranked 8th in milk production.

UNITED STATES: Milk production in the 23 major States during June totaled 14.2 billion pounds, up 1.2 percent from June 2006. May revised production, at 14.9 billion pounds, was up 1.1 percent from May 2006. The May revision represented an increase of 7 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,713 pounds for June, 16 pounds above June 2006. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.29 million head, 19,000 head more than June 2006, and 2,000 head more than May 2007.

Milk Cows and Production: May 2007 ^{1/} and June 2006-2007

State	Milk Cows ^{2/}			Milk per Cow ^{3/}			Milk Production ^{3/}		
	6/06	5/07	6/07	6/06	5/07	6/07	6/06	5/07	6/07
	-----1,000 Head-----			-----Pounds-----			-----Million Pounds-----		
AZ	173	182	182	1,955	2,105	1,965	338	383	358
CA	1,786	1,800	1,804	1,795	1,930	1,850	3,206	3,474	3,337
CO	111	116	118	1,965	1,990	1,960	218	231	231
FL	132	128	127	1,415	1,640	1,500	187	210	191
ID	489	506	506	1,910	1,930	1,910	934	977	966
IL	103	103	103	1,590	1,670	1,550	164	172	160
IN	166	168	167	1,670	1,770	1,675	277	297	280
IA	206	212	214	1,680	1,790	1,675	346	379	358
KS	113	110	109	1,770	1,820	1,745	200	200	190
KY	98	91	90	1,090	1,260	1,140	107	115	103
MI	322	330	332	1,865	1,960	1,885	601	647	626
MN	450	458	460	1,560	1,665	1,570	702	763	722
MO	116	114	112	1,320	1,380	1,240	153	157	139
NM	360	341	335	1,875	1,870	1,815	675	638	608
NY	640	626	626	1,595	1,690	1,620	1,021	1,058	1,014
OH	274	275	276	1,470	1,620	1,520	403	446	420
OR	118	110	110	1,620	1,690	1,645	191	186	181
PA	555	549	549	1,620	1,720	1,590	899	944	873
TX	333	347	348	1,820	1,870	1,740	606	649	606
VT	141	140	139	1,545	1,555	1,510	218	218	210
VA	103	100	100	1,415	1,570	1,440	146	157	144
WA	237	233	234	1,960	2,025	1,970	465	472	461
WI	1,243	1,247	1,247	1,590	1,685	1,620	1,976	2,101	2,020
23 STS	8,269	8,286	8,288	1,697	1,795	1,713	14,033	14,874	14,198

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 in New Mexico feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 132,000 on July 1, 2007. This compares to 128,000 head on June 1, 2007. Placements decreased by 12,000 head from May 2007 to a total of 22,000 head in June. Marketings were down by 6,000 head to 17,000. Other disappearance remained at 1,000 head.

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 10.7 million head on July 1, 2007. The inventory was 1 percent below July 1, 2006 but 3 percent above July 1, 2005. Placements in feedlots during June totaled 1.66 million, 15 percent below 2006 and 6 percent below 2005. Net placements were 1.61 million. During June, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 405,000, 600-699 pounds were 325,000, 700-799 pounds were 457,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 470,000. Marketings of fed cattle during June totaled 2.14 million, 3 percent below 2006 but up 3 percent from 2005. Other disappearance totaled 52,000 during June, down 17 percent from 2006 and 2005.

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

	Number on Feed			Placed			Marketed			Other Disappearance ^{2/}		
	7/1/06	6/1/07	7/1/07	-----DURING-----								
				6/06	5/07	6/07	6/06	5/07	6/07	6/06	5/07	6/07
AZ	344	340	343	34	36	39	30	32	35	1	4	1
CA	530	555	545	73	73	53	74	65	60	4	3	3
CO	980	1,020	940	170	175	120	210	155	190	10	20	10
ID	230	230	220	58	43	37	55	42	46	3	6	1
IA	460	520	510	59	54	52	66	63	61	3	1	1
KS	2,280	2,290	2,140	445	465	375	550	500	515	15	25	10
NE	1,990	2,290	2,050	370	390	330	490	500	560	10	20	10
NM	140	128	132	33	34	22	27	23	17	1	1	1
OK	340	340	325	63	71	52	67	65	66	1	1	1
SD	180	215	197	29	34	24	41	45	39	3	4	3
TX	2,980	2,870	2,870	530	710	485	500	510	475	10	10	10
WA	148	149	150	39	29	31	31	33	30	1	1	0
Oth Sts	270	325	315	43	45	37	57	52	46	1	3	1
US	10,872	11,272	10,737	1,946	2,159	1,657	2,198	2,085	2,140	63	99	52

^{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.