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Crop Weather Agricultural Prices Received

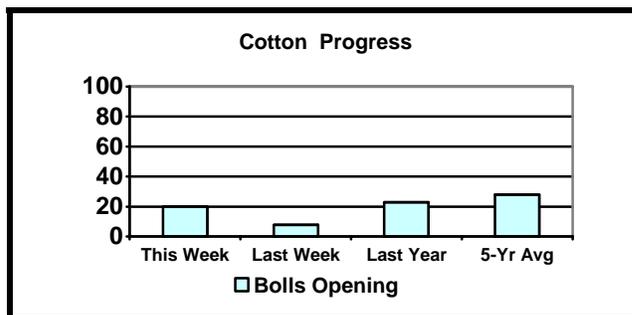
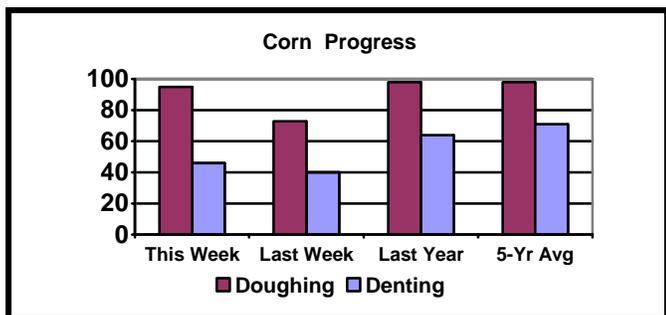
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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 3, 2007

NEW MEXICO: There were 6.8 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 7% very short, 50% short and 41% adequate and 2% surplus. Wind damage was 9% light and 2% moderate. Hail damage was 1% light. Farmers spent the week cutting and baling hay, planting, irrigating and harvesting crops. Alfalfa was reported as 1% poor, 23% fair, 41% good and 35% excellent with 90% of the fourth cutting complete, 67% of the fifth cutting complete and 18% of the sixth cutting complete. Cotton was reported as 7% poor, 42% fair, 34% good and 17% excellent with 20% bolls opening. Corn was reported as 3% fair, 80% good and 17% excellent with 95% dough, 46% dent and 35% mature. Irrigated sorghum was reported as 2% fair, 94% good, and 4% excellent with 46% coloring and 10% mature. Dry sorghum was reported as 84% fair and 16% good with 20% coloring. Total sorghum was reported as 51% fair, 47% good and 2% excellent with 30% coloring and 4% mature. Chile was reported as 4% very poor, 9% poor, 29% fair, 24% good and 34% excellent with 54% harvested green. Pecans were reported as 1% very poor, 14% fair, 28% good and 57% excellent. Peanuts were reported as 2% poor, 75% fair, 21% good and 2% excellent. Lettuce was reported as 90% planted. Cattle conditions were reported at 1% very poor, 2% poor, 35% fair, 39% good and 23% excellent. Sheep conditions were reported as 6% very poor, 10% poor, 9% fair, 32% good and 43% excellent. Range and pasture conditions were reported as 5% very poor, 15% poor, 35% fair, 33% good and 12% excellent. Ranchers were purchasing supplies for the winter. Pasture and range conditions remained dry in some counties.

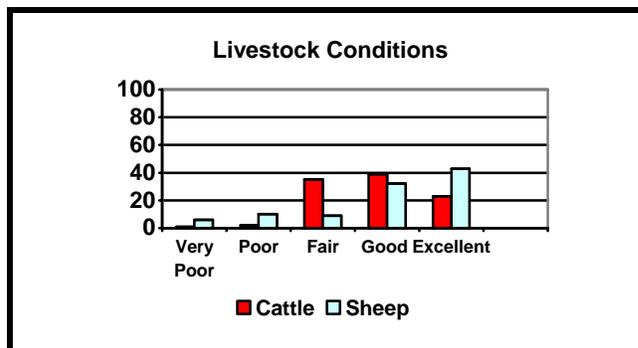
CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
CHILE (Green)	Harvest	54	40	72	64
CORN	Doughing	95	73	98	98
CORN	Denting	46	40	64	71
COTTON	Bolls Opening	20	8	23	28
SORGHUM (Total)	Coloring	30	14	21	20
LETTUCE	Planted	90	76	97	90



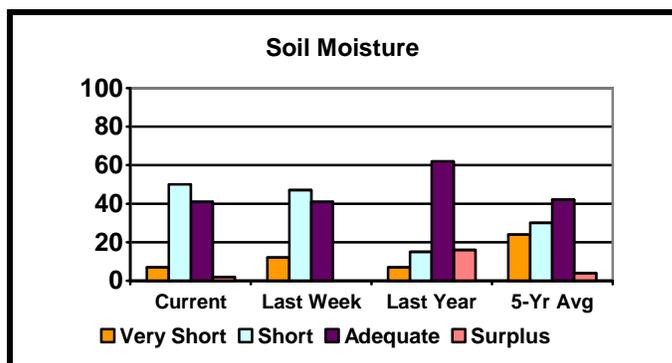
CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	---	1	23	41	35
Chile	4	9	29	24	34
Corn	---	---	3	80	17
Cotton	---	7	42	34	17
Pecans	1	---	14	28	57
Peanuts	---	2	75	21	2
Sorghum (All)	---	---	51	47	2
Cattle	1	2	35	39	23
Sheep	6	10	9	32	43
Range/Pasture	5	15	35	33	12



SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	10	55	32	3
Northeast	10	65	25	---
Southwest	---	25	50	25
Southeast	3	30	67	---
State Current	7	50	41	2
State-Last Week	12	47	41	---
State-Last Year	7	15	62	16
State-5-Yr Avg.	24	30	42	4



WEATHER SUMMARY

The first half of the week was characterized by above average temperatures, and isolated to scattered showers with some areas receiving large amounts of precipitation while other stations recorded no rain. Towards the end of the week a cold front did move through the state causing temperatures to drop at across the region.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - AUGUST 27- SEPTEMBER 2, 2007

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	08/27 09/02	09/01 09/02	01/01 09/02	Normal Sep	Normal Jan-Sep
Farmington	73.8	91	56	0.36	0.00	6.30	0.97	6.33
Gallup	70.7	89	53	0.06	0.00	9.99	1.31	9.67
Capulin	63.7	88	42	0.32	0.15	15.65	2.22	15.30
Chama	62.6	84	42	0.73	0.19	16.71	2.23	16.13
Johnson Ranch	67.5	88	48	0.00	0.00	7.56	1.33	9.05
Las Vegas	66.5	87	50	2.82	1.62	13.96	2.40	16.27
Los Alamos	66.1	81	52	1.25	0.00	11.50	2.12	15.30
Raton	68.1	89	50	0.25	0.00	10.60	1.61	14.64
Red River	56.1	74	38	1.06	0.44	21.72	1.66	16.69
Santa Fe	70.5	89	53	1.10	1.02	10.35	1.51	11.54
Clayton	73.1	92	58	0.25	0.00	10.99	1.77	13.38
Clovis	75.5	92	60	0.15	0.00	13.91	2.16	14.90
Roy	70.3	88	54	0.15	0.00	10.95	1.90	13.74
Tucumcari	77.1	96	60	0.18	0.00	10.03	1.47	12.45
Grants	69.4	87	50	1.50	0.05	7.07	1.56	8.51
Quemado	66.4	86	48	0.57	0.00	5.78	1.73	11.41
Albuquerque	75.9	91	62	0.09	0.01	7.93	1.00	7.06
Carrizozo	71.1	91	53	0.15	0.15	7.97	1.88	10.12
Socorro	73.7	91	57	1.26	0.00	8.52	1.53	7.37
Gran Quivira	69.1	88	52	1.52	0.10	12.75	1.95	12.74
Moriarty	68.1	89	47	0.10	0.00	7.08	1.61	10.67
Ruidoso	61.4	79	43	0.42	0.01	17.58	2.50	17.53
Carlsbad	78.7	95	61	0.00	0.00	12.41	2.75	10.74
Roswell	75.0	91	58	0.02	0.00	11.15	1.87	10.64
Tatum	73.2	92	56	2.70	0.00	19.83	2.36	13.53
Alamogordo	76.1	93	60	0.02	0.01	6.50	1.99	9.91
Animas	78.1	94	62	0.23	0.00	8.29	1.68	8.76
Deming	78.6	96	60	0.15	0.08	5.24	1.63	8.11
Las Cruces	79.6	94	63	0.52	0.52	8.62	1.36	7.28
T or C	76.0	93	59	0.45	0.31	6.62	1.08	7.67

(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 August dropped by \$7.00 to \$160.00 from the previous month's total of \$167.00 per ton. Prices one year ago were \$166.00 per ton. All Hay prices also decreased from \$164.00 per ton in July to \$157.00 per ton. Cow prices increased from the previous month by \$1.00 to \$54.00 per hundredweight. This compares to the national average of \$51.50 per hundredweight. Steer and heifer prices were higher by \$1.50 at \$99.50 per hundredweight compared to the national average of \$94.40 per hundredweight. Calf prices in August averaged \$128.00 per hundredweight, down from the previous month. Milk prices dropped slightly from the July price of \$22.30 to \$22.10 per hundredweight.

Prices Received by Farmers: Selected Commodities, July 2007 and August 2006- 2007

Commodity	Unit	New Mexico			U.S. ^{1/}
		August 2006 ^{2/}	July 2007 ^{2/}	August 2007 ^{1/}	August
-----Dollars-----					
CROPS					
Grain Sorghum	Cwt.	-	-	-	5.89
Cotton, Upland	Lb.	-	-	-	.449
Potatoes	Cwt.	-	-	-	7.98
Hay, all baled	Ton	164.00	164.00	157.00	132.00
Alfalfa, baled	Ton	166.00	167.00	160.00	137.00
Peanuts	Lb.	-	-	-	.180
Corn	Bu.	-	-	-	3.17
Wheat, all	Bu.	-	-	-	5.85
LIVESTOCK					
Sheep ^{3/}	Cwt.	-	-	-	28.70
Lambs ^{3/}	Cwt.	-	-	-	98.60
Cows	Cwt.	41.70	53.00	54.00	51.50
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	112.00	98.00	99.50	94.40
Calves	Cwt.	138.00	122.00	128.00	129.00
Milk	Cwt.	11.60	22.30	22.10	21.70

^{1/} Mid-month ^{2/} Entire month ^{3/} July - entire month

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