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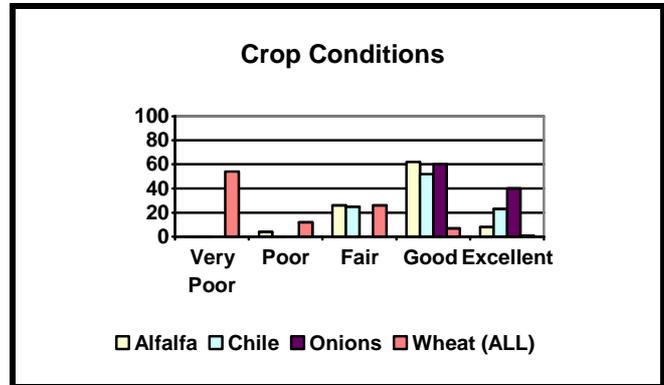
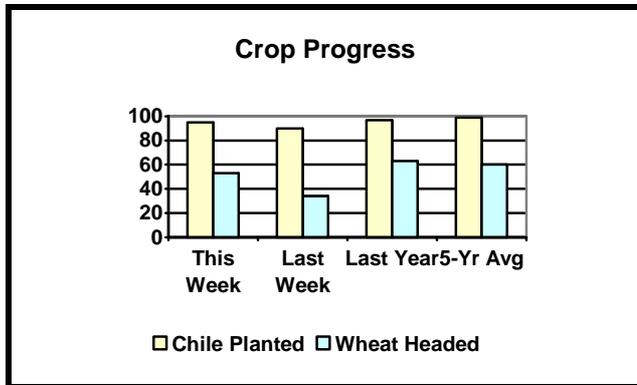
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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 11, 2008

NEW MEXICO: There were 6.6 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 58% very short, 25% short and 17% adequate. Wind damage was 23% light, 18% moderate and 2% severe. Freeze damage was 1% light. Farmers spent the week planting and irrigating crops, as well as cutting hay. Alfalfa was mostly fair to good, with 57% of first cutting complete. Cotton was 52% planted. Corn was 55% planted and 20% emerged. Irrigated sorghum was 13% planted. Irrigated winter wheat was mostly fair to good, with 61% headed. Dry winter wheat was mostly very poor with 48% headed. Total winter wheat was 53% headed. Peanuts were 20% planted. Chile was mostly fair to excellent, with 95% planted. Onions were mostly good to excellent. Apples were mostly fair. Cattle conditions were mostly fair to good. Sheep conditions were mostly fair to good. Range and pasture conditions were mostly very poor to fair. Livestock producers have been busy feeding and branding livestock.

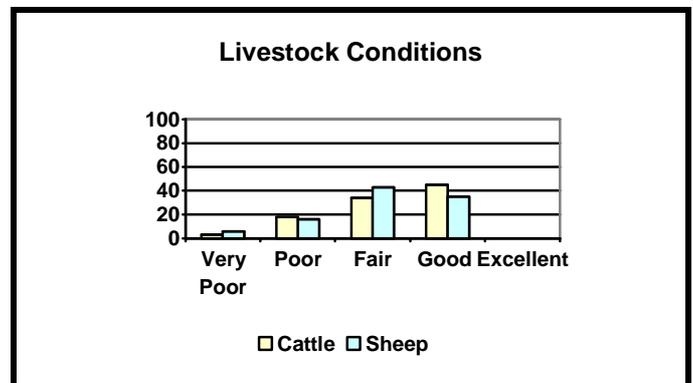
CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
CHILE	Planted	95	90	97	99
CORN	Planted	55	50	71	67
CORN	Emerged	20	11	40	31
COTTON	Planted	52	42	77	71
PEANUTS	Planted	20	N/A	33	15
SORGHUM	Planted	5	N/A	3	3
WHEAT	Headed	53	34	63	60



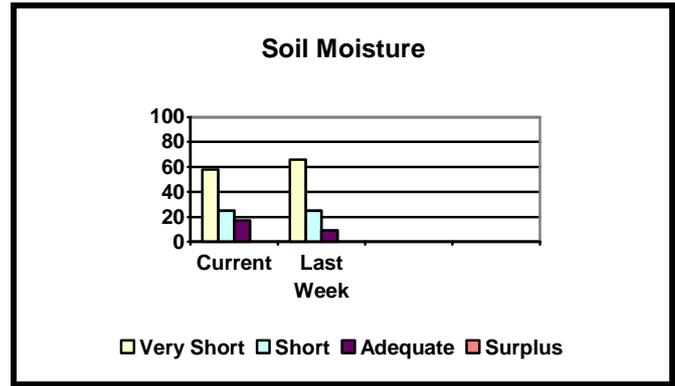
CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	---	4	26	62	8
Apples	25	---	75	---	---
Chile	---	---	25	52	23
Onions	---	---	---	60	40
Wheat (All)	54	12	26	7	1
Cattle	3	18	34	45	---
Sheep	6	16	43	35	---
Range/Pasture	24	47	27	2	---



SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	20	55	25	---
Northeast	61	30	9	---
Southwest	100	---	---	---
Southeast	55	15	30	---
State Current	58	25	17	---
State-Last Week	66	25	9	---
State-Last Year	---	---	---	---
State-5-Yr Avg.	---	---	---	---



WEATHER SUMMARY

Dry and windy conditions continued through the week with some areas reporting measurable precipitation from scattered showers and thunderstorms that moved across the state on the sixth and seventh of the May with an associated cold front. Daily data was missing from Los Alamos, Socorro, and Ruidoso.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – MAY 5 – 11, 2008

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week 05-May - 11-May	Month 1-May - 11-May	Accum. 1-Jan - 11-May	Normal May	Normal Jan-May
Northwest								
Albuquerque	65.1	83	46	0.00	0.00	0.91	0.50	2.46
Chama	48.7	70	23	0.00	0.00	6.30	1.11	7.72
Farmington	57.4	80	30	0.00	0.00	2.05	0.67	3.15
Gallup	54.4	78	28	0.00	0.00	3.65	0.51	3.74
Grants	53.3	80	27	0.00	0.00	1.78	0.53	2.48
Johnson Ranch	52.1	78	25	0.00	0.00	2.24	0.62	3.09
Los Alamos	55.3	75	32	0.00	0.00	2.94	1.17	5.05
Red River	44.6	67	20	0.00	0.00	3.17	1.77	7.52
Santa Fe	59.6	80	34	0.00	0.00	2.49	1.22	4.09
Northeast								
Capulin	51.6	75	18	0.31	0.31	2.79	2.30	5.16
Clayton	60.6	82	32	0.20	0.20	2.23	1.99	4.03
Clovis	63.3	84	37	1.08	1.08	3.39	1.87	4.17
Las Vegas	54.6	74	27	0.06	0.06	1.31	1.82	4.36
Moriarty	55.8	79	27	0.00	0.00	1.33	0.97	3.07
Raton	54.4	81	24	0.44	0.44	1.30	2.27	5.17
Roy	58.6	79	33	0.30	0.30	1.73	1.84	3.98
Tucumcari	65.1	88	36	0.47	0.47	2.28	1.49	3.49
Southwest								
Animas	68.3	90	48	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.18	2.04
Deming	67.0	89	46	0.00	0.00	0.42	0.19	1.73
Gran Quivira	57.9	77	25	0.06	0.06	1.03	0.82	3.70
Quemado	51.1	79	25	0.00	0.00	1.10	0.50	3.45
Socorro	67.0	85	49	0.00	0.00	0.14	0.52	1.93
T or C	68.5	85	49	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.49	1.89
Southeast								
Alamogordo	68.8	87	50	0.00	0.00	0.42	0.45	2.38
Carlsbad	71.6	93	50	1.13	1.13	1.22	1.16	2.65
Carrizozo	60.9	81	38	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.62	2.72
Las Cruces	69.8	88	52	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.29	1.55
Roswell	67.8	90	41	0.21	0.21	0.43	1.24	3.23
Ruidoso	55.5	74	33	0.01	0.01	1.44	0.87	5.11
Tatum	64.4	87	40	0.59	0.59	0.74	2.09	4.14

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