



## WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER

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### Crop Weather

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### CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 27, 2010

**NEW MEXICO:** Alfalfa conditions ranged from fair to good with 76 percent of the second cutting complete and 23 percent of the third cutting complete. Corn conditions were mostly good with 98 percent emerged and 10 percent silked. Cotton conditions were mostly good with 22 percent squaring. Irrigated sorghum conditions were mostly good with 98 percent planted. Dry sorghum conditions were mostly good with 80 percent planted. Irrigated winter wheat conditions were mostly good with 55 percent harvested for grain. Dry winter wheat conditions ranged from fair to good with 55 percent harvested for grain. Apple conditions were mostly good with an average fruit set. Chile conditions ranged from fair to excellent. Onions were 70 percent harvested. Peanut conditions were mostly good with 12 percent pegging.

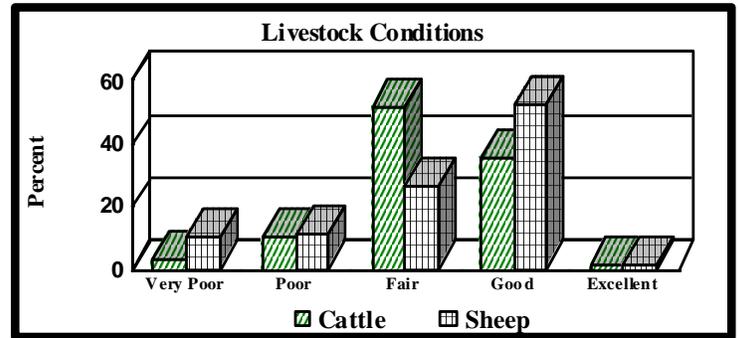
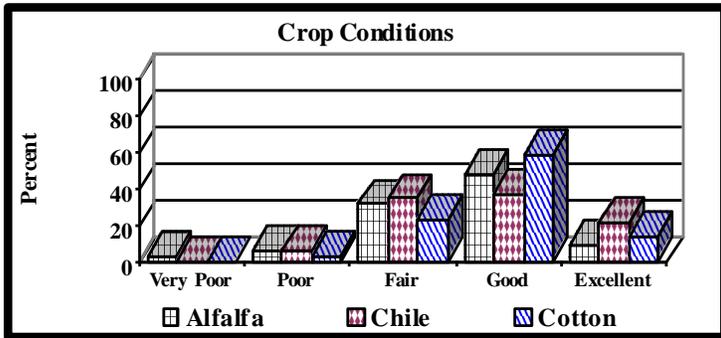
Pecan conditions were mostly good with an average nut set. Cattle conditions were mostly fair. Sheep conditions were mostly good. Range and pasture conditions ranged from poor to good. There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture was 29 percent very short, 37 percent short and 34 percent adequate. Wind damage was 20 percent light, 14 percent moderate and 3 percent severe with 7 percent winter wheat damaged by wind to date. Hail damage was 6 percent light and 1 percent moderate with 3 percent cotton, 7 percent corn, 7 percent sorghum and 7 percent winter wheat damaged by hail to date.

#### CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting	76	53	86	87
Alfalfa	3 <sup>rd</sup> Cutting	23	10	---	24
Corn	Silked	10	1	3	7
Corn	Emerged	98	91	100	100
Cotton	Squaring	22	11	24	41
Onion	Harvested	70	58	73	72
Peanut	Pegging	12	5	13	18
Sorghum	Planted	86	72	74	87
Wheat	Harvested	55	39	62	79

#### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	3	7	32	48	10
Chile	---	6	35	37	22
Corn	---	1	13	77	9
Cotton	---	4	23	59	14
Peanut	---	---	32	63	5
Pecans	---	4	23	57	16
Sorghum	10	2	27	61	---
Wheat (All)	---	5	38	55	2
Cattle	3	10	51	35	1
Sheep	10	11	26	52	1



#### County Reporter Comments:

**Torrance** Dry thunder storms, not much rain. Farmers have started second cutting of alfalfa. **Catron** Ranches continue to brand calves. There were also a few scattered showers this week. **Quay** Some rainfall received late this week, ranges from 1.2 to 2.8 inches of rain throughout the county. High heat and winds have been depleting soil moisture and crops. Leaf burn/scorch has been common. Much of the wheat has been cut with averages from 25 to 28 bu/ac. Rangeland was suffering badly from high heat and wind. Most grasses were showing signs of death and drought. Most irrigated hay fields are in very poor condition with 70% plant crop loss. To make the most of irrigation producers are putting it in

previously planted fields of sorghum or existing alfalfa. **Socorro** Some signs of increased pasture conditions with scattered thunder showers. Conditions were still really hot and the forage was drying out. **Guadalupe** Finally we received some rain last week. Santa Rosa received close to an inch. The temperatures have also dropped a little. Ranchers were beginning to supplement feed and many were hauling water to their herds.

**SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES**

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	51	28	21	---
Northeast	14	62	24	---
Southwest	17	41	42	---
Southeast	25	14	61	---
State Current	29	37	34	---
State-Last Week	29	40	31	---
State-Last Year	20	52	27	1
State-5-Yr Avg.	29	40	31	---

**RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION**

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	18	38	36	8	---
Northeast	16	22	45	14	3
Southwest	23	41	36	---	---
Southeast	2	9	33	54	2
State Current	13	26	38	22	1
State-Last Week	6	17	46	29	2
State-Last Year	23	45	29	3	---
State-5-Yr Avg.	18	33	29	18	2

**WEATHER SUMMARY**

Last week, scattered showers and thunderstorms developed over east central New Mexico bringing some good rainfall. By the end of the week, temperatures lowered to the mid 80s but still were above normal temperatures for most of the state with the exception of Animas which

was four degrees below normal. Rainfall amounts were higher in central and southeast New Mexico with the highest reported at Tatum, Tucumcari, Las Vegas and Santa Fe. Most of the northwest was very dry and warm.

**NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – JUNE 21 - 27, 2010**

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week	Month	Accum.	Normal	Normal
				21 June 27 June	01 June 27 June	01 Jan 27 June	June	Jan-June
<b>Northwest</b>								
Albuquerque	79.4	97	62	0.04	0.04	1.96	0.59	3.05
Chama	64.9	86	43	0.02	0.08	7.25	1.12	8.84
Farmington	73.6	94	47	0.00	0.10	4.38	0.22	3.37
Gallup	68.1	94	41	0.00	0.01	2.91	0.45	4.19
Grants	70.6	95	41	0.15	0.15	3.03	0.55	3.03
Johnson Ranch	68.9	100	41	0.00	0.00	2.14	0.68	3.77
Los Alamos	70.8	89	52	0.14	0.24	5.41	1.36	6.41
Red River	0.0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.40	8.92
Santa Fe	70.6	93	51	0.82	1.46	6.56	1.17	5.26
<b>Northeast</b>								
Capulin	71.9	95	51	0.07	0.44	6.47	2.11	7.27
Clayton	79.3	99	63	0.03	1.00	8.80	2.27	6.30
Clovis	79.1	99	64	0.21	0.40	3.41	2.84	7.01
Las Vegas	68.4	88	49	0.89	1.42	4.26	2.04	6.40
Moriarty	70.9	92	49	0.00	0.00	4.46	0.92	3.99
Raton	74.1	97	51	0.42	1.35	5.40	1.99	7.16
Roy	0.0	0	0	0.00	0.00	3.63	2.08	6.06
Tucumcari	82.4	105	62	1.01	1.26	5.68	1.78	5.27
<b>Southwest</b>								
Animas	75.1	94	50	0.12	0.12	3.71	0.44	2.48
Deming	83.1	101	61	0.00	0.00	3.73	0.55	2.28
Gran Quivira	73.8	95	52	0.07	0.07	4.61	1.01	4.71
Quemado	65.1	90	36	0.05	0.05	1.66	0.74	4.19
Socorro	81.1	102	59	0.00	0.00	1.52	0.57	2.50
T or C	81.4	100	62	0.44	0.44	2.90	0.69	2.58
<b>Southeast</b>								
Alamogordo	83.9	101	62	0.05	0.47	4.11	0.90	3.28
Carlsbad	85.4	106	67	0.00	0.53	3.75	1.30	3.95
Carrizozo	0.0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.78	3.50
Las Cruces	83.3	102	61	0.02	0.02	1.70	0.72	2.27
Roswell	80.6	100	64	0.57	1.69	6.51	1.52	4.75
Ruidoso	69.8	90	52	0.50	0.60	6.95	1.86	6.97
Tatum	79.1	99	62	1.31	1.36	5.32	2.03	6.17

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