



WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER

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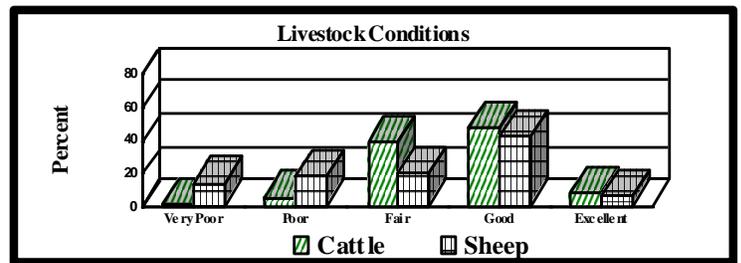
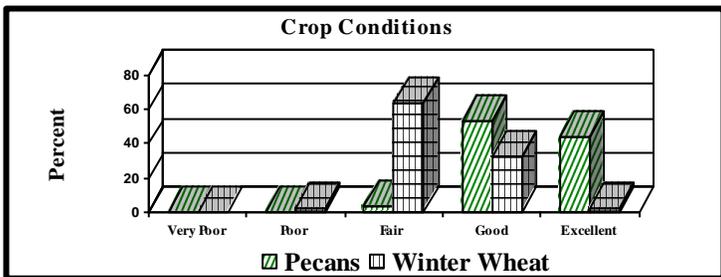
CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 21, 2010

NEW MEXICO: Alfalfa 98 percent of the sixth cutting complete, 50 percent of the seventh cutting complete and 32 percent of the eighth cutting complete. Corn was 99 percent harvested for grain. Cotton was 71 percent harvested. Irrigated sorghum was 67 percent harvested for grain. Dry sorghum was 83 percent harvested for grain. Irrigated winter wheat conditions were mostly good with 97 percent emerged. Dry winter wheat was mostly fair. Chile was 75 percent harvested red. Lettuce was 88 percent harvested. Peanuts were 90 percent harvested. Pecan conditions were mostly good to excellent.

Cattle conditions were mostly good to fair. Sheep conditions were mostly good to fair. Range and pasture conditions were mostly fair to good. There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture was 26 percent very short, 48 percent short, 21 percent adequate and 5 percent surplus. Wind damage was 14 percent light and 3 percent moderate with 38 percent of winter wheat damaged by wind to date. Freeze damage was 9 percent light, 27 percent moderate and 6 percent severe with 39 percent winter wheat damaged by freeze to date. There was no hail damage this week with 12 percent of cotton damaged by hail to date

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS					
Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	6 th Cutting	98	97	98	95
Alfalfa	7 th Cutting	50	47	72	63
Alfalfa	8 th Cutting	32	27	1	1
Chile red	Harvested	75	68	79	83
Corn	Harvested	99	99	95	96
Cotton	Harvested	71	62	80	71
Lettuce	Harvested	88	84	-	79
Peanuts	Harvested	90	82	97	98
Sorghum	Mature	100	87	100	95
Sorghum	Harvested	77	59	96	75

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pecans	-	-	3	53	44
Winter Wheat	-	2	64	32	2
Cattle	1	5	39	47	8
Sheep	14	18	20	42	6



COUNTY REPORTER COMMENTS:

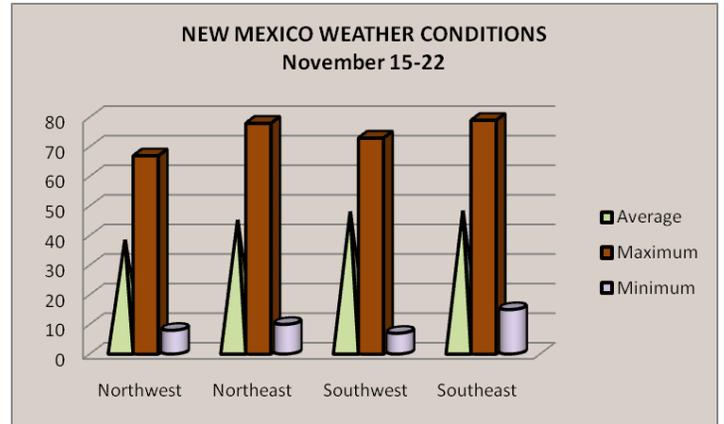
Curry: Cotton strippers going strong. Grain sorghum harvest winding down. Wheat cattle being turned out on pastures. Some rain over most of the immediate area, though some areas remain dry and amounts vary widely depending upon location. Some benefit to dry land wheat but wind and colder temperatures will limit benefits greatly. Cattle auctions reporting increased volume the past few weeks with prices increasing in most locations. **Torrance:** Continues to be dry and cool. Need some winter moisture. Most harvests complete. **Luna/Grant:** Dryer conditions have brought pasture value down. **Mora:** Heavy snow. All crops damaged by freeze.

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	53	39	8	-
Northeast	22	51	14	13
Southwest	23	60	17	-
Southeast	20	37	43	-
State Current	26	48	21	5
State-Last Week	22	49	29	-
State-Last Year	32	44	24	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	22	45	33	-

WEATHER SUMMARY

Last week, a cold front passed through the state bringing light snow showers in the higher terrain and cold temperatures. However, temperatures were still few degrees above normal for NM after the passage of this front. Most of the precipitation concentration was in the northeastern corner of the state. The highest amount of rainfall was reported at Red River. By mid week, most of the state was very dry and warm.

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	26	28	41	5	-
Northeast	14	16	46	21	3
Southwest	-	5	57	37	1
Southeast	-	6	21	66	7
State Current	10	13	40	34	3
State-Last Week	6	13	37	39	5
State-Last Year	17	36	35	12	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	10	22	36	27	5



NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – NOVEMBER 15 - 22, 2010

Station	Temperature			Precipitation					
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week	Month	Accum.	Normal	Normal	
				15 Nov-22 Nov	01 Nov-22 Nov	01 Jan-22 Nov	Nov	Jan-Nov	
Northwest									
Albuquerque	46.3	67	25	0.00	0.00	7.91	0.43	8.38	
Chama	33.5	57	10	0.03	0.19	18.53	1.72	19.81	
Farmington	41.8	63	23	0.00	0.06	10.06	0.94	8.12	
Gallup	36.6	61	9	0.00	0.07	9.41	0.95	11.91	
Grants	37.4	65	8	0.04	0.04	9.50	0.58	10.14	
Johnson Ranch	36.0	62	10	0.00	0.00	8.41	0.69	10.85	
Los Alamos	38.0	56	18	0.00	0.00	15.36	1.02	17.64	
Red River	29.5	52	10	0.04	0.04	0.04	1.18	19.33	
Santa Fe	39.9	63	18	0.02	0.02	13.52	0.63	13.21	
Northeast									
Capulin	42.4	75	10	0.00	0.01	13.31	0.67	16.94	
Clayton	47.9	78	28	0.01	0.01	17.97	0.52	14.80	
Clovis	47.6	72	21	0.00	0.72	11.18	0.73	16.97	
Las Vegas	42.4	67	19	0.00	0.00	13.34	0.58	18.36	
Moriarty	38.8	68	11	0.00	0.00	12.15	0.40	12.17	
Raton	42.3	72	13	0.01	0.01	15.53	0.61	16.22	
Roy	43.4	69	20	0.00	0.00	15.30	0.50	15.29	
Tucumcari	50.1	76	24	0.00	0.12	12.47	0.51	13.90	
Southwest									
Animas	52.9	73	30	0.00	0.00	10.08	0.71	10.62	
Deming	49.0	73	26	0.00	0.00	8.53	0.64	9.73	
Gran Quivira	43.6	64	22	0.00	0.00	14.53	0.91	14.92	
Quemado	38.3	64	7	0.00	0.00	6.74	0.45	13.04	
Socorro	48.6	71	27	0.00	0.00	3.17	0.47	8.95	
T or C	50.9	71	29	0.00	0.00	7.02	0.60	9.22	
Southeast									
Alamogordo	49.3	72	26	0.12	0.12	13.59	0.71	11.92	
Carlsbad	52.1	79	27	0.00	0.00	14.38	0.59	12.38	
Carrizozo	43.1	66	15	0.00	0.06	1.99	0.76	12.07	
Las Cruces	51.2	74	32	0.00	0.00	13.88	0.53	8.72	
Roswell	46.6	76	21	0.00	0.00	15.05	0.55	12.38	
Ruidoso	44.0	64	18	0.00	0.00	20.24	0.88	19.72	
Tatum	46.4	74	21	0.00	0.02	10.20	0.55	15.57	

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

