



WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER

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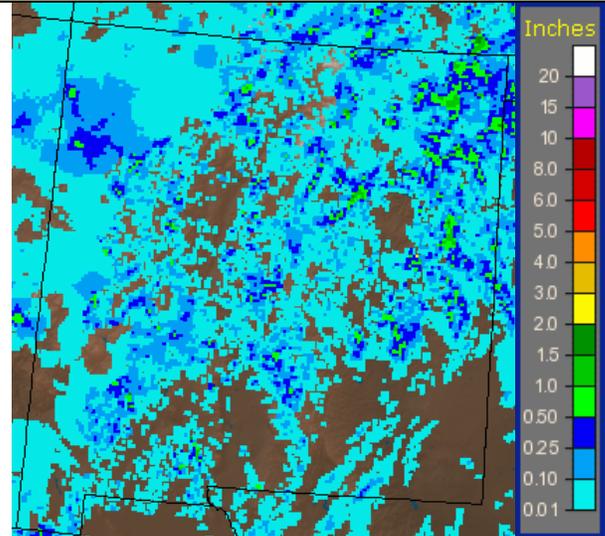
Crop Weather

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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING July 1, 2012

NEW MEXICO: Alfalfa conditions were mostly good; third cutting 35% complete. Cotton conditions were mostly good to fair; 34% squared; 5% setting bolls. Corn conditions were mostly fair; 8% silked. Sorghum conditions were mostly fair; 86% planted; 1% headed. Winter wheat 82% harvested for grain. Peanut conditions were mostly fair; 15% pegging. Chile conditions were mostly fair; 15% light pod set, 83% average pod set and 2% heavy pod set. Onion conditions were mostly good; 65% harvested. Apple conditions were fair. Pecan conditions were mostly good; 1% below average drop, 98% average drop and 1% heavy drop. Cattle conditions were fair. Sheep conditions were mostly poor. Range and pasture conditions were mostly very poor. Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.9. Topsoil moisture was 66% very short, 32% short and 2% adequate. Wind damage was 15% light, 17% moderate and 7% severe; with cotton 62% damaged and sorghum 30% damaged. Hail damage was 12% moderate: with sorghum 5%, cotton 7%, onions 1%, Chile 4% and alfalfa 9% damaged by hail.

Seven Day Observed Precipitation July 2, 2012



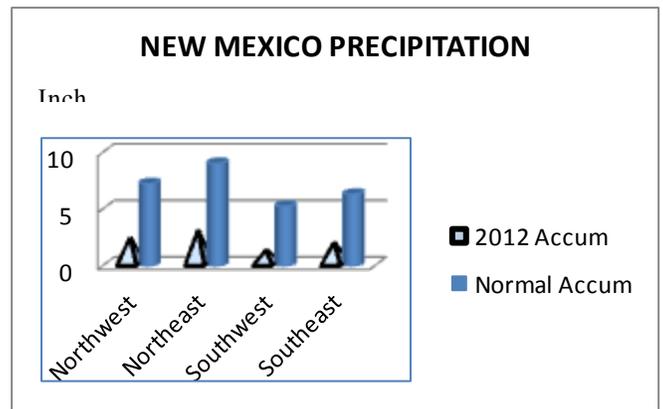
CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS					
Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	3rd Cut	35	25	42	29
Chile	Pod Set				
Corn	Silked	8	5	9	11
Cotton	Squaring	34	30	46	44
Onion	Harvested	65	60	48	69
Peanut	Pegging	15	2	11	25
Sorghum	Planted	86	81	95	88
W Wheat	Grain	82	60	89	87

Additional Comments: Rio Arriba/ Santa Fe: Some spot showers in parts of the county this week. Taos: We have had a few scattered showers, but dry conditions remain. The Forest service has enforced restrictions to use the forest during the early morning or late evening hours as pastures continue to dry up. Hay crops are 50% complete for the first cut of the season. Curry: Excessive hot days with wind. Quay: Heat and winds have done more damage in dry areas. Spotty showers, some with high winds and hail. Luna/Grant: Very little has changed. Country is in dire need of moisture. Chaves: Hot and dry. Eddy: Horse Canyon Fire in Lincoln National Forest 50 miles from Carlsbad, NM has burned approximately 2,000 acres. Fire started by lightning. Conditions are very dry. Lea: Hot and Dry. Still Supplementing feed to livestock, but need rain for conditions to increase.

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	78	22	-	-
Northeast	64	36	-	-
Southwest	18	77	5	-
Southeast	76	20	4	-
State Current	66	32	2	-
State-Last Week	59	34	7	-
State-Last Year	78	20	2	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	33	36	31	-

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES					
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	2	6	27	63	2
Chile	2	5	65	28	-
Corn	1	2	57	23	17
Cotton	2	9	34	38	17
Onion	-	-	36	52	12
Peanut	4	30	34	32	-
Sorghum	27	32	40	1	-
Cattle	4	37	55	4	-
Sheep	17	51	28	4	-

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	57	35	8	-	-
Northeast	53	45	2	-	-
Southwest	22	36	38	3	-
Southeast	61	29	10	-	-
State Current	54	35	11	-	-
State-Last Week	47	43	8	2	-
State-Last Year	45	44	12	-	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	19	34	29	17	2



Weather Summary

Scattered showers and thunderstorms mainly in the northeastern plains and mountain regions provided the only temporary relief from the heat brought on by high pressure over the region. The highest precipitation totals for the week included Quemado with 0.44 inches, Ruidoso with 0.36 inches and Clayton with 0.25 inches. Temperatures remained above average for the season throughout the state. Some of the locations with the highest temperature departures above normal included Capulin with 10 degrees, Clayton with 10 degrees and Socorro with 8 degrees.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – June 25– July 01, 2012								
Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week 25 June –01 July	Month 01 July-01 July	Accum. 01 Jan-01 July	Normal July	Normal Jan-July
Northwest								
Albuquerque	84.9	101	67	-	-	2.29	1.37	4.42
Chama	65.5	90	42	0.05	0.00	4.95	2.24	11.08
Farmington	78.8	98	59	0.00	0.00	0.85	0.94	4.31
Gallup	73.6	96	51	0.19	-	1.98	1.91	6.10
Grants	72.6	96	48	0.00	0.00	1.26	1.76	4.79
Johnson Ranch	73.0	96	35	0.00	0.00	0.47	1.66	5.43
Los Alamos	75.0	92	56	0.05	0.00	2.28	3.25	9.66
Red River	61.8	84	37	0.18	0.00	4.96	3.01	11.93
Santa Fe	77.1	98	56	0.02	0.02	1.53	2.38	7.64
Northeast								
Capulin	77.5	99	56	0.11	0.04	5.47	3.25	10.52
Clayton	83.5	103	64	0.25	0.15	3.21	2.70	9.00
Clovis	83.9	103	64	0.05	0.03	1.41	2.56	9.57
Las Vegas	74.7	96	53	-	0.00	2.79	3.20	9.60
Moriarty	74.7	96	50	0.01	0.01	2.61	2.38	6.37
Raton	79.0	100	54	-	-	4.00	2.66	9.82
Roy	79.9	98	59	0.00	0.00	1.70	2.97	9.03
Tucumcari	87.3	108	65	0.00	0.00	2.48	3.30	8.57
Southwest								
Animas	86.4	104	67	0.00	-	1.77	2.26	4.74
Deming	85.6	106	62	0.00	0.00	0.88	2.15	4.43
Gran Quivira	78.0	97	58	0.10	0.00	1.52	2.81	7.52
Quemado	72.1	97	42	0.44	0.00	1.34	2.37	6.56
Socorro	85.3	104	64	0.00	0.00	0.76	1.44	3.94
T or C	86.2	104	66	0.03	0.03	0.79	1.86	4.44
Southeast								
Alamogordo	85.2	102	66	0.00	0.00	0.20	2.23	5.51
Carlsbad	86.6	106	65	-	0.00	3.39	1.79	5.74
Carrizozo	78.9	100	57	0.00	0.00	0.88	2.05	5.55
Las Cruces	86.9	105	68	0.00	0.00	0.82	1.36	3.63
Roswell	77.4	95	58	0.00	0.00	2.35	1.99	6.74
Ruidoso	69.2	90	46	0.36	0.00	3.07	4.02	10.99
Tatum	82.8	104	61	0.00	0.00	2.32	2.52	8.69

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