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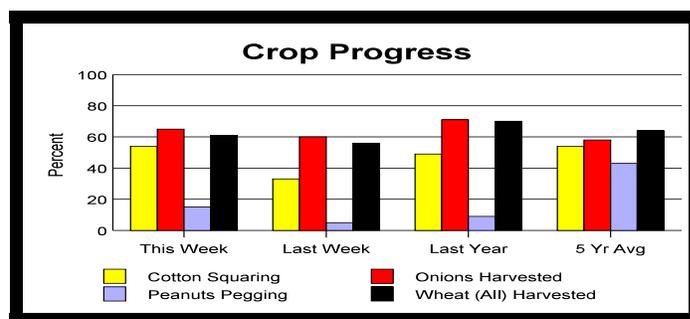
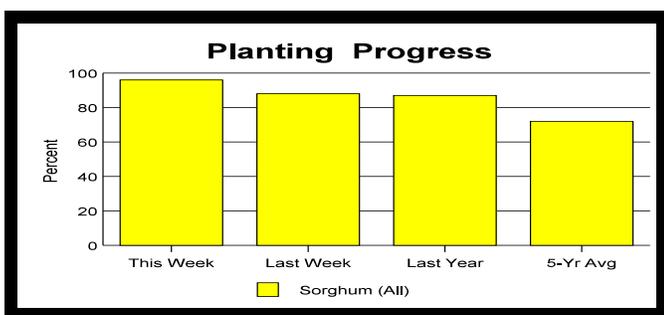
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## CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 25, 2006

**NEW MEXICO:** There were 6.9 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 53% very short, 35% short, and 12% adequate. Wind damage was 22% light, 8% moderate, and 5% severe. Farmers spent the week irrigating, harvesting, and baling hay. Alfalfa was reported as 1% very poor, 2% poor, 21% fair, 61% good and 15% excellent with 92% of the second cutting complete and 47% of the third cutting complete. Irrigated sorghum was reported in good condition and 87% planted. Dry sorghum was reported as very poor to poor condition and 100% planted. Total sorghum planted is 96%, with conditions reported as 35% very poor, 21% poor, 10% fair, and 34% good. Irrigated winter wheat condition was reported as poor to good with 17% harvested. Dryland wheat condition was reported as very poor to poor with 83% harvested. Total wheat was reported as 53% very poor, 18% poor, 12% fair and 16% good, 1% excellent and 61% harvested. Peanuts were reported as fair to excellent and 15% pegged. Pecan conditions were fair to excellent. Cotton was reported as 19% fair, 52% good and 29% excellent with 54% squaring and 8% setting bolls. Chile condition was in fair to excellent condition. Onions were in fair to excellent condition with 65% harvested. Corn condition was in fair to excellent condition with 10% silked. Cattle conditions were reported at 9% very poor, 17% poor, 56% fair, 7% good and 11% excellent. Sheep were 5% very poor, 33% poor, 55% fair, and 7% good. Ranges and pastures are needing moisture with conditions reported as 40% very poor, 43% poor, 15% fair, and 2% good. Farmers and ranchers report some rain in a few counties, however, more rain is needed. Winds are picking up and the weather is still hot. Ranchers continue to supplement feed and haul water with continued reports of difficulty obtaining hay.

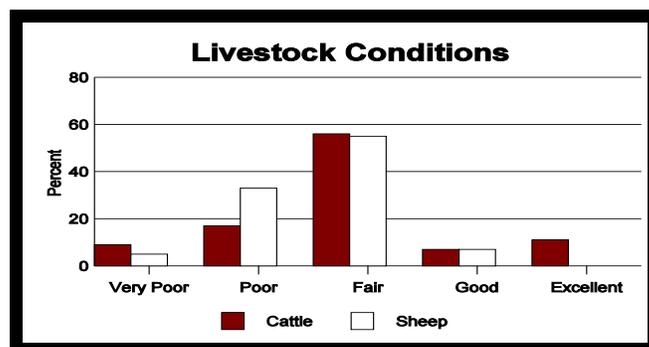
### CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
<b>COTTON</b>	Squaring	54	33	49	54
<b>ONIONS</b>	Harvested	65	60	71	58
<b>PEANUTS</b>	Pegging	15	5	9	43
<b>SORGHUM (ALL)</b>	Planted	96	88	87	72
<b>WHEAT (ALL)</b>	Harvested	61	56	70	64



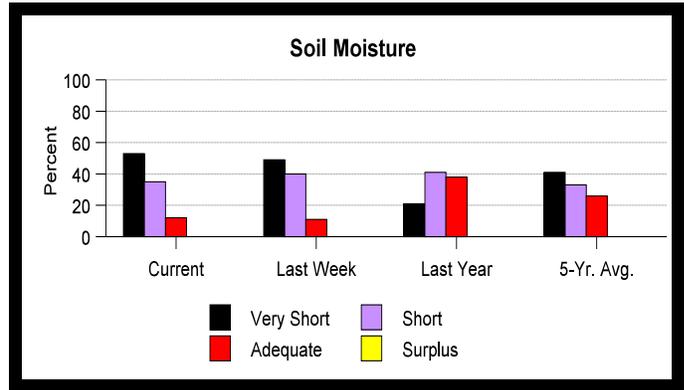
### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	1	2	21	61	15
Chile	---	---	11	72	17
Corn	---	1	5	65	29
Cotton	---	---	19	52	29
Pecans	---	---	21	55	24
Peanuts	---	---	15	75	10
Sorghum (All)	35	21	10	34	---
Wheat (All)	53	18	12	16	1
Cattle	9	17	56	7	11
Sheep	5	33	55	7	---
Range/Pasture	40	43	15	2	---



**SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES**

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	47	28	25	---
Northeast	66	33	1	---
Southwest	75	23	2	---
Southeast	30	50	20	---
State Current	53	35	12	---
State-Last Week	49	40	11	---
State-Last Year	21	41	38	---
State-5-Yr Avg.	41	33	26	--



**WEATHER SUMMARY**

The week started out dry and warm, but by mid week moisture had increased across the eastern plains. Some severe weather developed across the east but some beneficial rains were received as well. By the weekend, moisture reached western portions of the state, but activity was still generally isolated while more widespread thunderstorms moved across the east. Roy and Clovis both reported over an inch of rain. Though the week ended up a little cooler in most locations, temperatures for the week averaged 2 to 10 degrees above normal, with the northwest corner remaining warm and dry.

**NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - JUNE 19 - 25, 2006**

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	06/19 06/25	06/01 06/25	Normal June	01/01 06/25	Normal Jan-Jun
Farmington	76.9	99	53	0.0	0.3	0.2	2.0	3.4
Gallup	73.4	93	53	0.0	0.2	0.5	1.8	4.2
Capulin	67.1	91	46	0.9	2.3	2.1	4.4	7.3
Chama	62.8	89	38	0.0	0.3	1.1	4.0	8.8
Johnson Ranch	70.2	97	44	0.0	0.9	0.7	1.4	3.8
Las Vegas	69.2	94	49	0.5	0.6	2.0	2.2	6.4
Los Alamos	70.7	92	52	0.5	0.7	1.4	2.3	6.4
Raton	69.5	96	50	0.8	1.3	2.0	2.4	7.2
Red River	58.9	82	36	0.0	0.9	1.4	7.9	8.9
Santa Fe	73.6	96	52	0.1	0.2	1.2	1.3	5.3
Clayton	74.4	101	53	0.9	1.0	2.3	2.9	6.3
Clovis	78.5	101	59	1.1	1.6	2.8	4.4	7.0
Roy	73.6	97	51	1.2	1.2	2.1	2.9	6.1
Tucumcari	80.9	104	58	0.4	1.4	1.8	3.4	5.3
Grants	71.9	95	44	0.0	0.2	0.6	1.1	3.0
Quemado	66.8	94	37	0.0	0.4	0.7	1.5	4.2
Albuquerque	79.9	98	64	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.4	3.1
Carrizozo	76.8	98	56	1.2	1.5	0.8	2.2	3.5
Socorro	74.0	97	52	0.0	0.5	0.6	0.7	2.5
Gran Quivera	73.9	96	51	0.1	0.1	1.0	0.5	4.7
Moriarty	71.5	97	44	0.2	0.3	0.9	1.1	4.0
Ruidoso	67.4	89	46	0.2	0.7	1.9	2.3	7.0
Carlsbad	81.8	104	61	0.5	0.5	1.3	2.8	4.0
Roswell	79.6	102	58	0.0	0.1	1.5	1.0	4.8
Tatum	77.1	100	56	0.2	0.4	2.0	2.7	6.2
Alamogordo	82.9	103	66	0.2	0.6	0.9	1.0	3.3
Animas	81.4	102	62	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.7	2.5
Deming	83.7	105	61	0.3	0.6	0.6	1.1	2.3
Las Cruces	84.0	103	65	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.6	2.3
T or C	81.4	101	63	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.5	2.6

(T) Trace (-) No Report (\*) Correction

All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.

## FLORICULTURE

**NEW MEXICO:** Total wholesale value of reported crops for 2005 totaled \$26 million a 22% increase over the previous year's total of \$21 million. Crops showing increases in wholesale value from 2004 to 2005 include: Begonias increased by 41%; Marigolds increased by 254%. Other Potted Bedding Plants (combined pot sizes) increased from \$179,000 to \$1.8 million.

### New Mexico Floriculture: Production and Wholesale Value, 2004-2005

Type	Producers		Unit	Number Sold		Value of All Sales at Wholesale <sup>1/</sup>	
	2004	2005		2004	2005	2004	2005
				-----1,000 Units-----		-----1,000 Dollars-----	
<b>Potted Flowering Plants</b>							
Poinsettias <sup>2/</sup>	10	8	Pots	591	564	2,195	2,121
<b>Bedding/Garden Plants</b>							
Begonias	8	9	Flats	3	4	29	41
Marigolds	8	9	Flats	12	29	121	308
Pansy/Viola	9	---	Flats	28	---	277	---
Vegetable <sup>3/</sup>	---	9	Flats	---	30	---	328
Petunias	6	4	Pots	10	3	30	12
<b>Herbaceous Perennials</b>							
Hardy/Garden Chrysanthemums	---	10	Pots	---	53	---	101
Other <sup>4/</sup>	12	13	Pots	1,512	1,891	1,811	3,003
<b>Potted Bedding Plants</b>							
Other <sup>3/</sup>	7	7	Pots	69	777	179	1,755
<b>Hanging Baskets</b>							
Geraniums (Cuttings)	6	5	Bskts	11	10	95	88
Petunias	7	5	Bskts	8	2	76	16
Other Flowering	---	7	Bskts	---	38	---	365

<sup>1/</sup> Equivalent wholesale value of all sales. <sup>2/</sup> Pot sizes have been combined into category with greatest production to avoid disclosure of individual operations. <sup>3/</sup> Does not include vegetable transplants grown for use in commercial vegetable production. <sup>4/</sup> Pot price is a weighted average of all pots reported to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

### Floriculture Crops: Wholesale Value of Sales by Category & State for Operations with \$100,000+, 2004-2005

State	Total Bedding/Garden Plants <sup>1/</sup>		Herbaceous Perennial Plants		Total Potted Flowering Plants		Total Foliage for Indoor or Patio Use		Total Wholesale Value of Reported Crops	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
-----\$1,000 Dollars-----										
AZ	25,223	25,446	1,103	1,092	2,765	2,739	---	---	28,168	28,185
CO	77,791	69,654	15,481	12,858	12,344	11,515	1,650	2,062	95,007	85,846
<b>NM</b>	<b>4,687</b>	<b>9,505</b>	<b>1,973</b>	<b>3,107</b>	<b>16,386</b>	<b>16,259</b>	---	---	<b>21,073</b>	<b>25,764</b>
OK	25,754	25,917	17,132	16,606	3,956	3,924	---	---	29,710	29,841
TX	195,442	205,340	25,709	27,121	42,128	42,700	20,604	19,957	265,164	274,917
UT	28,349	29,627	5,411	5,922	12,965	13,310	---	---	41,314	42,937
Oth Sts	1,195	1,265	1,195	1,265	---	---	14,721	18,550	112,106	127,686
<b>36 States</b>	<b>2,555,662</b>	<b>2,613,226</b>	<b>687,578</b>	<b>708,305</b>	<b>800,535</b>	<b>808,941</b>	<b>685,264</b>	<b>721,049</b>	<b>4,985,408</b>	<b>5,083,421</b>

<sup>1/</sup> Includes Annual Bedding Plants and Herbaceous Perennials.

**CATTLE ON FEED**

**NEW MEXICO:** Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in New Mexico feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 135,000 head on June 1<sup>st</sup>. This was 3,000 more head than the May inventory. Placements rose to 25,000 head. Marketings dropped 3,000 head from the previous month to 21,000 head total. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head.

**UNITED STATES:** Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.2 million head on June 1, 2006. The inventory was 4 percent above June 1, 2005 and 5 percent above June 1, 2004. This is the second highest June 1 inventory since the series began in 1996. Placements in feedlots during May totaled 1.91 million, 14 percent below 2005 and 19 percent below 2004. Net placements were 1.80 million. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 440,000, 600-699 pounds were 370,000, 700-799 pounds were 503,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 600,000. Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.17 million, 9 percent above 2005 and 7 percent above 2004. Other disappearance totaled 115,000 during May, 20 percent above 2005 and 46 percent above 2004.

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots <sup>1/</sup>**

	Number on Feed			Placed			Marketed			Other Disappearance <sup>2/</sup>		
	6/1/05	5/1/06	6/1/06	-----DURING-----								
				5/05	4/06	5/06	5/05	4/06	5/06	5/05	4/06	5/06
	-----1,000 Head-----											
AZ	331	*345	341	32	27	29	29	*24	27	2	9	6
CA	515	530	535	82	60	80	62	60	70	5	5	5
CO	970	1,060	1,030	165	140	175	150	140	185	15	10	20
ID	245	245	230	61	31	37	54	34	47	2	2	5
IA	435	495	470	55	64	51	73	66	74	2	3	2
KS	2,280	2,530	2,400	510	375	415	465	410	520	25	25	25
NE	2,050	2,320	2,120	360	320	340	480	390	520	20	10	20
<b>NM</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
OK	325	340	345	86	48	76	64	66	70	2	2	1
SD	186	200	195	28	28	33	38	35	34	4	3	4
TX	2,890	2,910	2,960	750	455	590	480	470	520	10	15	20
WA	137	152	141	26	23	20	34	22	30	2	1	1
Oth Sts	280	300	285	38	40	42	52	54	52	6	1	5
<b>US</b>	<b>10,771</b>	<b>*11,559</b>	<b>11,187</b>	<b>2,223</b>	<b>1,629</b>	<b>1,913</b>	<b>1,997</b>	<b>*1,795</b>	<b>2,170</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>115</b>

\* - Revised. <sup>1/</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. <sup>2/</sup> Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.