



# WEEKLY AG UPDATE

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Crop Weather Agricultural Prices Received

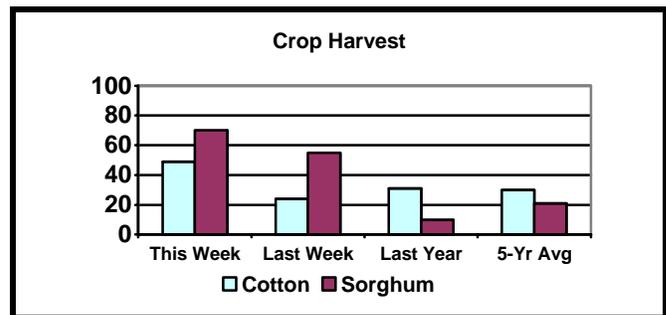
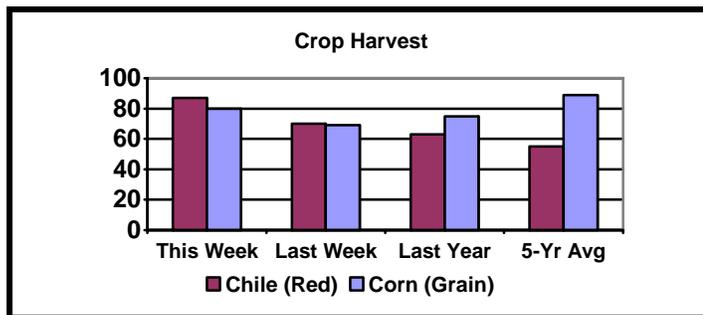
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## CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 4, 2007

**NEW MEXICO:** Days suitable for fieldwork 7.0. Topsoil moisture 25% very short, 47% short, 28% adequate. Wind damage 3% light. Freeze damage 9% light, 14% moderate. Alfalfa condition 7% fair, 55% good, 38% excellent; 94% 6<sup>th</sup> cutting complete, 40% 7<sup>th</sup> cutting complete. Cotton 49% harvested. Corn harvested for grain 80%. Irrigated sorghum 88% harvested for grain. Dry sorghum 58% harvested for grain. Total sorghum progress 70% harvested for grain. Irrigated winter wheat condition 7% fair, 62% good, 31% excellent. Dry winter wheat condition 23% very poor, 29% poor, 39% fair, 9% good. Total winter wheat condition 14% very poor, 17% poor, 27% fair, 30% good, 12% excellent. Red Chile 87% harvested. Onions condition 20% fair, 20% good, 60% excellent. Pecan condition 10% fair, 33% good, 57% excellent. Cattle condition 3% poor, 27% fair, 34% good, 36% excellent. Sheep condition 1% poor, 12% fair, 48% good, 39% excellent. Range and pasture condition 2% very poor, 18% poor, 49% fair, 25% good, 6% excellent. Fall harvest continued. Ranchers spent the week weaning calves, shipping, and culling their herds.

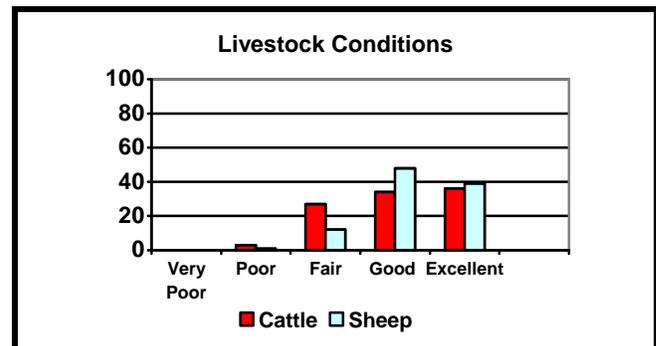
### CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
CHILE (Red)	Harvest	87	70	63	55
CORN	Harvest-Grain	80	69	75	89
COTTON	Harvest	49	24	31	30
SORGHUM (Total)	Harvest	70	55	10	21



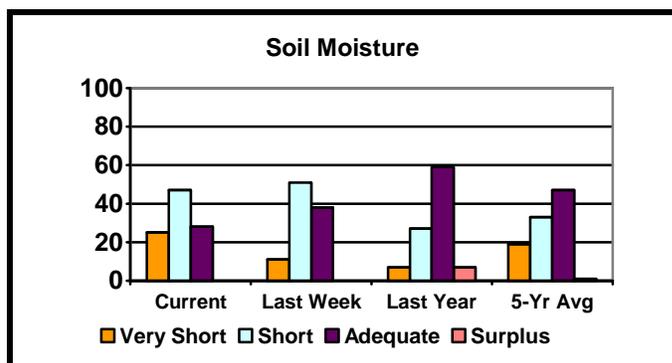
### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	---	---	7	55	38
Onions	---	---	20	20	60
Pecans	---	---	10	33	57
Wheat (All)	14	17	27	30	12
Cattle	---	3	27	34	36
Sheep	---	1	12	48	39
Range/Pasture	2	18	49	25	6



### SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	41	51	8	---
Northeast	35	46	19	---
Southwest	13	37	50	---
Southeast	---	48	51	1
State Current	25	47	28	---
State-Last Week	11	51	38	---
State-Last Year	7	27	59	7
State-5-Yr Avg.	19	33	47	1



### WEATHER SUMMARY

A Rex Block set up over the Eastern Pacific off of the coast of California and dictated a very uneventful week. The resultant "chamber of commerce" weather was prevalent throughout the state. No precipitation was recorded. The following sites had missing daily data: Roy, Quemado, Carrizozo, and Gran Quivira.

### NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - OCTOBER 29 – NOVEMBER 4, 2007

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	10/29 11/04	11/01 11/04	01/01 11/04	Normal Nov	Normal Jan-Nov
Farmington	50.8	75	27	0.00	0.00	7.22	0.94	8.12
Gallup	49.6	77	22	0.00	0.00	11.16	0.95	11.91
Capulin	44.7	73	16	0.00	0.00	18.48	0.67	16.94
Chama	44.0	68	22	0.00	0.00	21.32	1.72	19.81
Johnson Ranch	45.1	72	12	0.00	0.00	10.75	0.69	10.85
Las Vegas	47.6	73	24	0.00	0.00	15.82	0.58	18.36
Los Alamos	49.4	67	28	0.00	0.00	16.01	1.02	17.64
Raton	47.2	76	20	0.00	0.00	11.59	0.61	16.22
Red River	38.4	63	15	0.00	0.00	25.12	1.18	19.33
Santa Fe	48.8	72	26	0.00	0.00	11.07	0.63	13.21
Clayton	53.2	79	29	0.00	0.00	12.66	0.52	14.80
Clovis	54.2	82	28	0.00	0.00	15.56	0.73	16.97
Roy	47.8	74	24	0.00	0.00	13.70	0.50	15.29
Tucumcari	55.3	83	28	0.00	0.00	11.86	0.51	13.90
Grants	46.6	73	19	0.00	0.00	8.93	0.58	10.14
Quemado	49.5	73	26	0.00	0.00	10.29	0.45	13.04
Albuquerque	55.4	73	39	0.00	0.00	8.82	0.43	8.38
Carrizozo	52.4	73	28	0.00	0.00	9.82	0.76	12.07
Socorro	52.4	74	30	0.00	0.00	10.32	0.47	8.95
Gran Quivira	52.2	72	29	0.00	0.00	13.89	0.91	14.92
Moriarty	45.4	75	18	0.00	0.00	9.44	0.40	12.17
Ruidoso	47.0	70	24	0.00	0.00	20.54	0.88	19.72
Carlsbad	56.9	84	33	0.00	0.00	16.28	0.59	12.38
Roswell	52.6	80	31	0.00	0.00	13.43	0.55	12.38
Tatum	52.5	82	27	0.00	0.00	22.70	0.55	15.57
Alamogordo	57.4	80	25	0.00	0.00	6.70	0.71	11.92
Animas	61.2	81	39	0.00	0.00	9.12	0.71	10.62
Deming	59.4	80	37	0.00	0.00	6.38	0.64	9.73
Las Cruces	59.4	80	39	0.00	0.00	9.33	0.53	8.72
T or C	70.9	86	54	0.00	1.33	7.64	1.08	7.67

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

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

**AGRICULTURAL PRICES RECEIVED**

**NEW MEXICO:** Alfalfa hay prices for October decreased slightly to \$157.00 per ton from the September price of \$160.00 per ton. All Hay prices also decreased \$3.00 from the September price of \$157.00 per ton to \$154.00 per ton. Cow prices dropped \$4.00 from September to October to \$48.00 per hundredweight. This was still \$1.20 higher than the national average of \$46.80. Steer and heifer prices increased to \$107.00 per hundredweight from \$104.00 the previous month. This is \$10.30 higher than the national average price of \$96.70 per hundredweight. Calf prices for October decreased by \$4.00 from the September price of \$122.00 per hundredweight to \$118.00. This was \$7.00 below the national average price of \$125.00 per hundredweight. Milk cow replacements averaged \$1,950 per head, \$70.00 below the national average price of \$2,020 per head. Milk prices for the month of October dropped by \$0.30 to \$20.70 per hundredweight.

**Prices Received by Farmers: Selected Commodities, September 2007 and October 2006- 2007**

Commodity	Unit	New Mexico			U.S. <sup>1/</sup>
		Oct. 2006 <sup>2/</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>2/</sup>	Oct. 2007 <sup>1/</sup>	Sept.
-----Dollars-----					
<b>CROPS</b>					
Grain Sorghum	Cwt.	-	-	-	5.99
Cotton, Upland	Lb.	-	-	-	.532
Potatoes	Cwt.	-	-	-	5.66
Hay, all baled	Ton	165.00	157.00	154.00	133.00
Alfalfa, baled	Ton	167.00	160.00	157.00	137.00
Peanuts	Lb.	-	-	-	.206
Corn	Bu.	-	-	-	3.29
Wheat, all	Bu.	-	-	-	8.02
<b>LIVESTOCK</b>					
Sheep <sup>3/</sup>	Cwt.	-	-	-	26.20
Lambs <sup>3/</sup>	Cwt.	-	-	-	99.10
Cows	Cwt.	43.70	52.00	48.00	46.80
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	105.00	104.00	107.00	96.70
Calves	Cwt.	124.00	122.00	118.00	125.00
Milk Cow Replacement <sup>4/</sup>	Head	1,740.00	---	1,950.00	2,020.00
Milk	Cwt.	13.10	21.00	20.70	21.20

<sup>1/</sup> Mid-month <sup>2/</sup> Entire month <sup>3/</sup> September - entire month <sup>4/</sup> Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices available for Jan., Apr., July, and Oct.

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