



## WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER

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### Crop Weather

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### CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 2, 2008

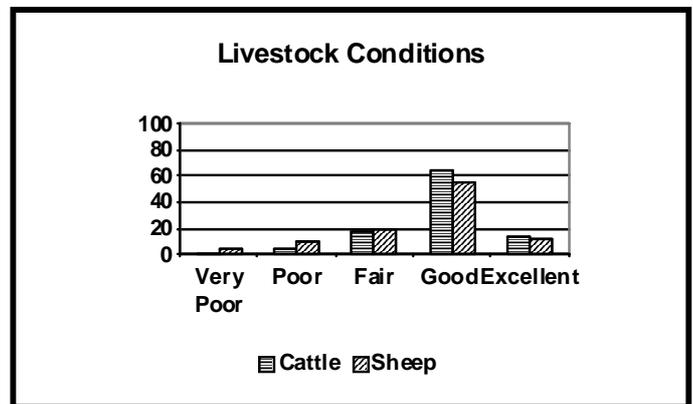
**NEW MEXICO:** Alfalfa was mostly good with sixth cutting 35% complete. Cotton was mostly good with 93% of bolls opening and 9% harvested. Corn was mostly good with 65% of corn harvested for grain complete. Irrigated sorghum was mostly good with 99% mature and 23% harvested. Dry sorghum was mostly fair with 60% mature. Chiles were mostly good with 71% of the red harvest completed. Peanuts ranged from fair to excellent with 80% harvested. Pecans were mostly good. Cattle and sheep were mostly good. Range and pastures were mostly fair to good. There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture was 10% very short, 43% short, 46% adequate, and 1% surplus. Wind damage was 4% light, 2% moderate and 1% severe.

#### CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
ALFALFA	6th cutting	49	35	90	90
CHILE (Red)	Harvested	71	53	82	59
CORN	Harvest-grain	65	38	77	83
COTTON	Opening Bolls	93	90	100	99
COTTON	Harvested	9	8	42	29
SORGHUM (ALL)	Mature	74	59	59	68
SORGHUM (ALL)	Harvested	8	4	84	30
WHEAT	Planted	99	99	100	100
WHEAT	Emerged	97	96	100	99
PEANUTS	Harvested	80	50	91	71

#### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	2	1	34	55	8
Chile	---	5	22	65	8
Corn	---	---	---	61	39
Cotton	---	---	14	77	9
Sorghum (All)	---	---	65	34	1
Wheat (All)	---	---	9	83	8
Peanuts	---	---	40	50	10
Pecan	---	1	15	67	17
Cattle	1	4	17	64	14
Sheep	4	10	19	55	12
Range/Pasture	3	15	41	32	9

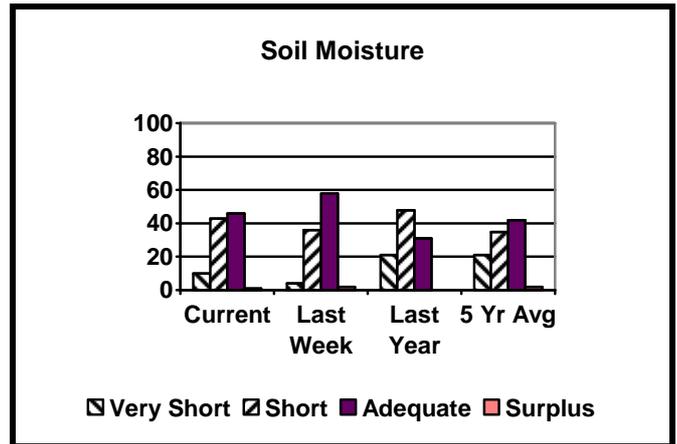


#### Additional Comments:

**Curry:** Still need a complete killing freeze. The farmers saw some insect damage on wheat. **Guadalupe:** Ranchers were culling their older cows and selling their calves. They were purchasing and contracting their hay and cubes for the winter. Weather has been really nice. Farmers were completing their harvesting and watering their fall grain plantings. No moisture this week. **Catron/Socorro:** Normal farming and ranching activities. **Doña Ana:** Framers were harvesting cotton, cultivating field with plow for winter, and planting winter wheat and others crops. Cattle gains were up. Range was looking better than it had in several decades.

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	27	35	33	5
Northeast	9	48	43	---
Southwest	---	55	45	---
Southeast	---	38	62	---
State Current	10	43	46	1
State-Last Week	4	36	58	2
State-Last Year	21	48	31	---
State-5-Yr Avg.	21	35	42	2



WEATHER SUMMARY

This week saw temperatures well above normal. No precipitation was reported.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – OCTOBER 27 – NOVEMBER 2, 2008

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week 27-Oct- 02-Nov	Month 01-Nov- 02-Nov	Accum. 01-Jan- 02-Nov	Normal Nov	Normal Jan-Nov
<b>Northwest</b>								
Albuquerque	57.6	74	42	0.00	0.00	7.47	0.43	8.38
Chama	47.4	73	23	0.00	0.00	18.54	1.72	19.81
Farlington	56.9	75	36	0.00	0.00	5.59	0.94	8.12
Gallup	52.4	74	28	0.00	0.00	10.08	0.95	11.91
Grants	50.4	75	25	0.00	0.00	6.15	0.58	10.14
Johnson Ranch	49.2	74	25	0.00	0.00	6.14	0.69	10.85
Los Alamos	51.6	68	31	0.00	0.00	11.03	1.02	17.64
Red River	---	---	---	0.00	0.00	9.44	1.18	19.33
Santa Fe	53.2	74	31	0.00	0.00	10.85	0.63	13.21
<b>Northeast</b>								
Capulin	49.1	73	22	0.00	0.00	13.72	0.67	16.94
Clayton	59.6	82	29	0.00	0.00	11.94	0.52	14.80
Clovis	58.8	80	32	0.00	0.00	9.37	0.73	16.97
Las Vegas	52.8	73	24	0.00	0.00	14.48	0.58	18.36
Moriarty	49.7	73	27	0.00	0.00	8.82	0.40	12.17
Raton	52.9	77	25	0.00	0.00	10.48	0.61	16.22
Roy	55.2	77	27	0.00	0.00	12.77	0.50	15.29
Tucumcari	58.9	86	31	0.00	0.00	18.25	0.51	13.90
<b>Southwest</b>								
Animas	62.3	81	44	0.00	0.00	8.43	0.71	10.62
Deming	59.6	81	39	0.00	0.00	11.35	0.64	9.73
Gran Quivira	53.9	75	28	0.00	0.00	16.76	0.91	14.92
Quemado	49.7	75	18	0.00	0.00	7.28	0.45	13.04
Socorro	53.8	76	32	0.00	0.00	7.01	0.47	8.95
T or C	59.7	78	40	0.00	0.00	10.88	0.60	9.22
<b>Southeast</b>								
Alamogordo	57.4	80	37	0.00	0.00	10.05	0.71	11.92
Carlsbad	60.1	84	39	0.00	0.00	8.95	0.59	12.38
Carrizozo	53.1	77	30	0.00	0.00	9.29	0.76	12.07
Las Cruces	59.9	82	40	0.00	0.00	9.66	0.53	8.72
Roswell	55.7	80	32	0.00	0.00	8.57	0.55	12.38
Ruidoso	51.3	73	28	0.00	0.00	20.29	0.88	19.72
Tatum	55.8	82	26	0.00	0.00	12.26	0.55	15.57

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