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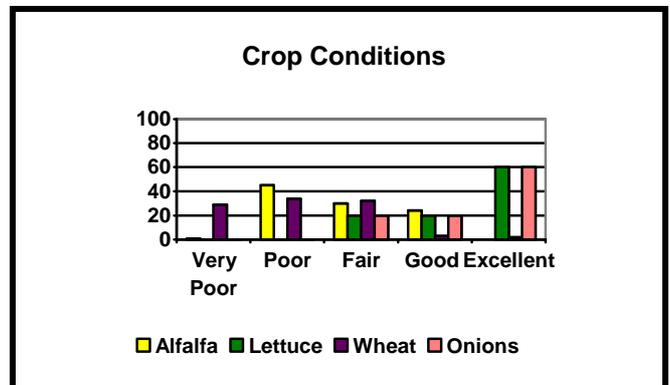
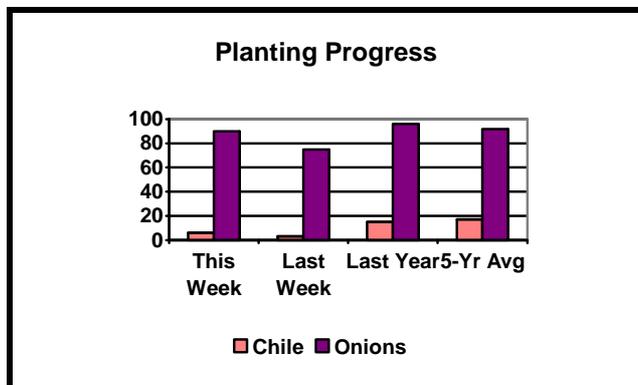
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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 16, 2008

NEW MEXICO: There were 6.5 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 49% very short, 29% short and 22% adequate. Wind damage was 19% light, 25% moderate and 12% severe. Freeze damage was 12% light and 2% moderate. Farmers spent the week preparing fields and irrigation ditches for spring planting and planting some crops. Alfalfa was reported as 1% very poor, 45% poor, 30% fair and 24% good. Irrigated winter wheat was reported as 8% poor, 79% fair, 8% good, and 5% excellent, with 35% being reported as grazed. Dry winter wheat was reported as 49% very poor, 50% poor, and 1% fair, with 6% being reported as grazed. Total winter wheat was reported as 29% very poor, 34% poor, 32% fair, 3% good, and 2% excellent, with 18% being reported as grazed. Onions were reported as being 90% planted. Lettuce was reported as 20% fair, 20% good and 60% excellent. Chile was reported as 6% planted. Cattle conditions were reported as 1% very poor, 7% poor, 46% fair, 36% good and 10% excellent. Sheep conditions were reported as 6% very poor, 17% poor, 66% fair and 11% good. Range and pasture conditions were reported as 19% very poor, 35% poor, 26% fair, 17% good and 3% excellent. Livestock producers have been busy supplemental feeding, hauling water and helping with calving. Parts of the state experienced high winds this past week.

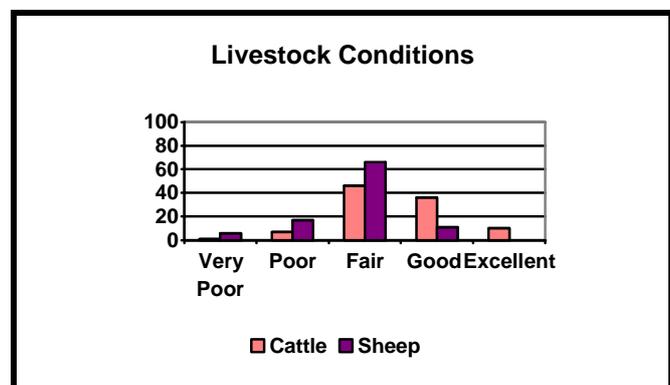
CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
CHILE	Planted	6	3	15	17
ONIONS	Planted	90	75	96	92
WHEAT	Grazed	18	15	N/A	N/A



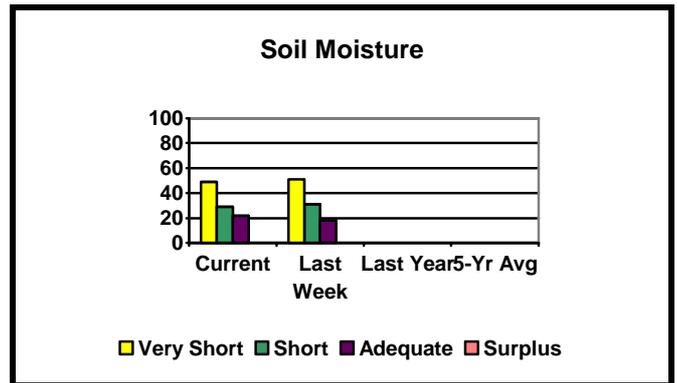
CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	1	45	30	24	---
Lettuce	---	---	20	20	60
Onions	---	---	20	20	60
Wheat (All)	29	34	32	3	2
Cattle	1	7	46	36	10
Sheep	6	17	66	11	---
Range/Pasture	19	35	26	17	3



SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	58	20	22	---
Northeast	66	23	11	---
Southwest	---	80	20	---
Southeast	47	18	35	---
State Current	49	29	22	---
State-Last Week	51	31	18	---
State-Last Year	---	---	---	---
State-5-Yr Avg.	---	---	---	---



WEATHER SUMMARY

Temperatures were warmer than normal in the southwest and near normal in the northern mountains for the week. Precipitation was limited to some snow showers in the northern mountains throughout the week and some rain in the far northeast plains on Sunday. Elsewhere it was dry. Strong winds were the main weather feature on Friday and Sunday.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - MARCH 10 - 16, 2007

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week 03/10 03/16	Month 03/01 03/16	Accum. 2008 Week	Normal Mar	Normal Jan-Mar
Farmington	42.5	64	21	0.00	0.00	2.06	0.81	1.97
Gallup	39.9	65	12	0.00	0.10	2.91	1.05	2.59
Capulin	36.9	62	14	0.00	0.65	1.31	0.89	1.85
Chama	31.9	50	10	0.13	0.13	5.18	1.99	5.34
Johnson Ranch	39.4	61	16	0.00	0.00	1.47	0.74	1.98
Las Vegas	40.9	62	20	0.00	0.21	0.88	0.63	1.71
Los Alamos	40.4	58	25	0.00	0.34	2.22	1.22	2.88
Raton	40.1	65	18	0.00	0.18	0.44	0.83	1.84
Red River	24.6	45	0	0.00	0.52	0.52	1.78	4.07
Santa Fe	43.7	65	20	0.00	0.39	2.25	0.74	2.06
Clayton	45.7	67	23	0.58	0.59	0.88	0.55	1.10
Clovis	52.1	75	27	0.00	0.38	2.07	0.59	1.49
Roy	43.4	66	20	0.00	0.41	0.87	0.55	1.32
Tucumcari	52.8	76	28	0.00	0.12	0.30	0.40	1.13
Grants	38.9	66	9	0.00	0.09	1.78	0.50	1.50
Quemado	38.1	61	11	0.00	0.00	1.14	0.80	2.35
Albuquerque	50.8	69	30	0.00	0.00	0.80	0.54	1.44
Carrizozo	49.1	72	23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.57	1.74
Socorro	50.9	76	23	0.00	0.00	0.14	0.27	1.05
Gran Quivira	44.0	65	21	0.00	0.28	0.94	0.72	2.24
Moriarty	43.9	66	17	0.00	0.45	1.21	0.53	1.44
Ruidoso	43.9	64	16	0.00	0.15	1.35	1.33	3.61
Carlsbad	59.9	86	32	0.00	0.07	0.09	0.30	1.00
Roswell	53.1	82	27	0.00	0.19	0.25	0.45	1.34
Tatum	49.6	80	23	0.00	0.11	0.15	0.52	1.41
Alamogordo	54.4	76	27	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.46	1.67
Animas	55.6	76	32	0.00	0.00	0.70	0.47	1.66
Deming	54.1	76	30	0.00	0.00	0.42	0.34	1.36
Las Cruces	54.9	78	32	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.22	1.05
T or C	55.1	77	31	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.34	1.18

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

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

MILK PRODUCTION

NEW MEXICO: Milk production in New Mexico during February totaled 607 million pounds. Milk per cow for the month averaged 1,790 pounds. Number of milk cows on farms was 339,000 head.

UNITED STATES: Milk production in the 23 major States during February totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 6.0 percent from February 2007. January revised production at 14.7 billion pounds, was up 2.7 percent from January 2007. The January revision represented an increase of 40 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,653 pounds for February, 69 pounds above February 2007. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.42 million head, 136,000 head more than February 2007, and 9,000 head more than January 2008.

Milk Cows and Production: December 2007 ^{1/} and January 2007-2008

State	Milk Cows ^{2/}			Milk per Cow ^{3/}			Milk Production ^{3/}		
	02/07	1/08	02/08	02/07	1/08	02/08	02/07	1/08	02/08
	-----1,000 Head-----			-----Pounds-----			-----Million Pounds-----		
AZ	175	185	185	1,930	2,020	1,960	338	374	363
CA	1,795	1,839	1,841	1,755	1,900	1,805	3,150	3,494	3,323
CO	115	122	125	1,670	1,945	1,815	192	237	227
FL	130	124	124	1,415	1,500	1,490	184	186	185
ID	504	534	534	1,680	1,870	1,760	847	999	940
IL	103	103	102	1,460	1,615	1,515	150	166	155
IN	165	167	167	1,580	1,710	1,600	261	286	267
IA	211	216	216	1,620	1,680	1,600	342	363	346
KS	110	109	109	1,510	1,695	1,660	166	185	181
KY	93	91	91	1,100	1,180	1,110	102	107	101
MI	328	344	344	1,750	1,910	1,760	574	657	605
MN	455	463	463	1,485	1,610	1,525	676	745	706
MO	115	110	110	1,180	1,225	1,170	136	135	129
NM	353	340	339	1,535	1,880	1,790	542	639	607
NY	628	626	626	1,480	1,660	1,590	929	1,039	995
OH	275	278	279	1,380	1,540	1,440	380	428	402
OR	115	114	114	1,590	1,555	1,475	183	177	168
PA	548	552	551	1,500	1,630	1,530	822	900	843
TX	347	365	370	1,640	1,855	1,785	569	677	660
VT	140	140	140	1,385	1,585	1,500	194	222	210
VA	100	98	98	1,380	1,540	1,450	138	151	142
WA	235	243	244	1,780	1,965	1,850	418	477	451
WI	1,246	1,250	1,250	1,470	1,635	1,530	1,832	2,044	1,913
23 STS	8,286	8,413	8,422	1,584	1,746	1,653	13,125	14,688	13,919

1/ Revised. 2/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 3/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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