



WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER

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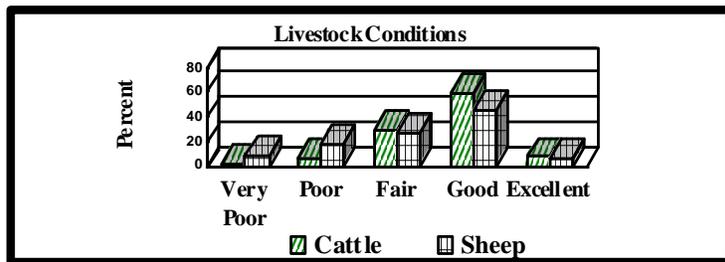
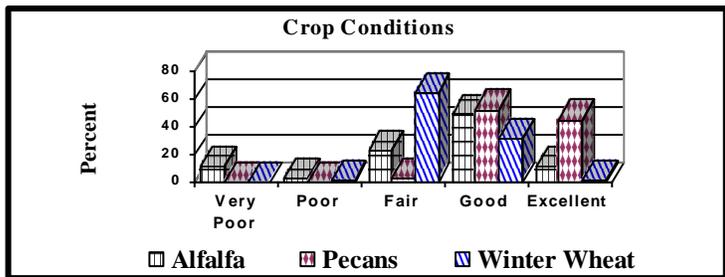
CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 14, 2010

NEW MEXICO: Alfalfa conditions were mostly good to fair with 97 percent of the sixth cutting complete, 47 percent of the seventh cutting complete and 27 percent of the eighth cutting complete. Corn was 99 percent harvested for grain. Cotton was 62 percent harvested. Irrigated sorghum was 87 percent mature and 58 percent harvested for grain. Dry sorghum was 93 percent mature and 70 percent harvested for grain. Irrigated winter wheat conditions were mostly good with 94 percent emerged. Dry winter wheat was mostly fair. Apples were 99 percent harvested. Chile was 68 percent harvested red. Lettuce was 84 percent harvested. Peanuts were 82 percent harvested. Pecan conditions were mostly good to excellent.

Cattle conditions were mostly good. Sheep conditions ranged mostly from poor to good. Range and pasture conditions were mostly good to fair. There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture was 22 percent very short, 49 percent short and 29 percent adequate. Wind damage was 8 percent light with 56 percent of cotton, 19 percent of sorghum and 17 percent of winter wheat damaged by wind to date. Freeze damage was 21 percent light, 11 percent moderate and 6 percent severe with 36 percent winter wheat damaged by freeze to date. There was no hail damage this week with 9 percent of cotton and 6 percent of sorghum damaged by hail to date.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS					
Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	6 th Cutting	97	89	97	93
Alfalfa	7 th Cutting	47	44	58	50
Alfalfa	8 th Cutting	27	10	1	-
Chile red	Harvested	68	61	69	79
Corn	Harvested	99	91	92	90
Cotton	Harvested	62	50	64	57
Lettuce	Harvested	84	66	-	73
Peanuts	Harvested	82	74	80	92
Sorghum	Mature	87	86	99	91
Sorghum	Harvested	59	49	65	52

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	12	4	23	49	12
Pecans	-	-	3	52	45
Winter Wheat	-	2	64	32	2
Cattle	1	5	28	59	7
Sheep	8	17	26	44	5



COUNTY REPORTER COMMENTS:

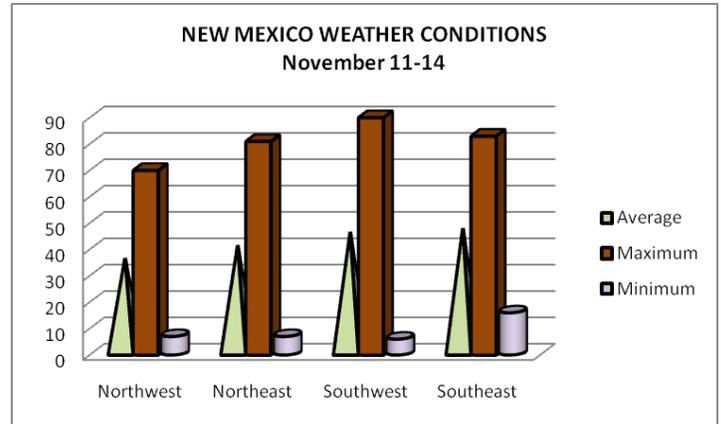
Taos: Crops are now dormant, with scattered snow flurries though out the county this week. **De Baca:** Irrigation water out of ditch since the 1st. Ranches finishing shipping season. **Santa Fe:** Weekend windy and cold. Zero recent precipitation; very dry still. Alfalfa, forage crops finished for the year. Cattle producers turning out cattle for grazing. Freezing temps shutting everything down. **Socorro:** Shipping cattle, and winding down for winter.

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	34	49	17	-
Northeast	17	52	31	-
Southwest	18	59	23	-
Southeast	25	32	43	-
State Current	22	49	29	-
State-Last Week	23	44	33	-
State-Last Year	24	41	35	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	20	46	33	1

WEATHER SUMMARY

Last week, two cold fronts moved across New Mexico bringing really cold temperatures, light snow showers in the northern mountains and light rain. Temperatures were a few degrees below normal for the west central part of the state and the rest of NM was two to five degrees above normal. Highest rainfall amounts were reported at Clovis with 0.72 inches and Chama with 0.16 inches.

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	22	33	39	6	-
Northeast	8	14	38	36	4
Southwest	-	7	49	40	4
Southeast	-	6	24	61	9
State Current	6	13	37	39	5
State-Last Week	6	12	42	36	4
State-Last Year	16	34	37	12	1
State-5-Yr Avg.	7	22	37	30	4



NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – NOVEMBER 11 - 14, 2010

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week 11 Nov-14 Nov	Month 01 Nov-14 Nov	Accum. 01 Jan-14 Nov	Normal Nov	Normal Jan-Nov
Northwest								
Albuquerque	43.8	70	29	0.00	0.00	7.91	0.43	8.38
Chama	29.9	61	8	0.16	0.16	18.50	1.72	19.81
Farmington	37.0	65	15	0.06	0.06	10.06	0.94	8.12
Gallup	34.8	62	9	0.07	0.07	9.41	0.95	11.91
Grants	34.5	69	7	0.00	0.00	9.46	0.58	10.14
Johnson Ranch	32.4	67	8	0.00	0.00	8.41	0.69	10.85
Los Alamos	36.4	61	18	0.00	0.00	15.36	1.02	17.64
Red River	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.18	19.33
Santa Fe	36.6	65	13	0.00	0.00	13.50	0.63	13.21
Northeast								
Capulin	34.9	56	7	0.00	0.01	13.31	0.67	16.94
Clayton	45.3	77	22	0.00	0.00	17.96	0.52	14.80
Clovis	46.9	78	27	0.72	0.72	11.18	0.73	16.97
Las Vegas	37.1	69	15	0.00	0.00	13.34	0.58	18.36
Moriarty	35.4	69	10	0.00	0.00	12.15	0.40	12.17
Raton	37.9	75	14	0.00	0.00	15.52	0.61	16.22
Roy	-	-	-	-	-	15.30	0.50	15.29
Tucumcari	46.5	81	22	0.12	0.12	12.47	0.51	13.90
Southwest								
Animas	52.4	90	22	0.00	0.00	10.08	0.71	10.62
Deming	47.3	76	23	0.00	0.00	8.53	0.64	9.73
Gran Quivira	43.4	68	23	0.00	0.00	14.53	0.91	14.92
Quemado	34.1	71	6	0.00	0.00	6.74	0.45	13.04
Socorro	47.1	76	26	0.00	0.00	3.17	0.47	8.95
T or C	49.8	75	31	0.00	0.00	7.02	0.60	9.22
Southeast								
Alamogordo	48.9	76	23	0.00	0.00	13.47	0.71	11.92
Carlsbad	51.6	83	24	0.00	0.00	14.38	0.59	12.38
Carrizozo	42.0	71	16	0.06	0.06	1.99	0.76	12.07
Las Cruces	50.1	77	27	0.00	0.00	13.88	0.53	8.72
Roswell	46.9	81	23	0.00	0.00	15.05	0.55	12.38
Ruidoso	42.9	63	21	0.00	0.00	20.24	0.88	19.72
Tatum	46.9	80	21	0.02	0.02	10.20	0.55	15.57

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