



**WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER**

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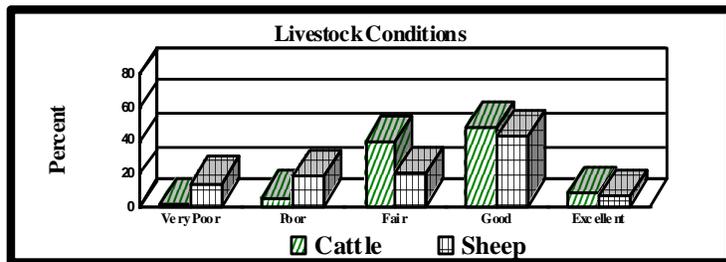
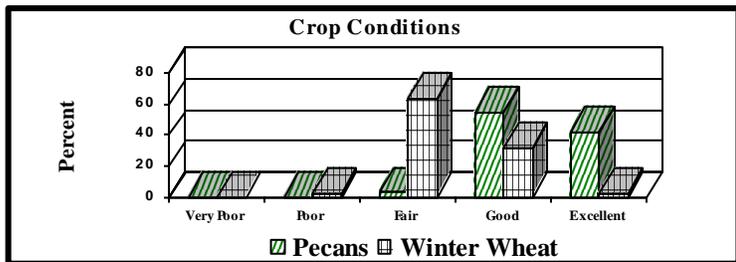
**CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 28, 2010**

**NEW MEXICO:** Alfalfa 99 percent of the sixth cutting complete, 60 percent of the seventh cutting complete and 33 percent of the eighth cutting complete. Cotton was 81 percent harvested. Irrigated sorghum was 85 percent harvested for grain. Dry sorghum was 93 percent harvested for grain. Irrigated winter wheat conditions were mostly good with 99 percent emerged. Dry winter wheat was mostly fair. Chile was 82 percent harvested red. Lettuce was 98 percent harvested. Peanuts were 93 percent harvested.

Pecan conditions were mostly good to excellent. Cattle conditions were mostly good to fair. Sheep conditions ranged from very poor to good. Range and pasture conditions were mostly fair to good. There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture was 28 percent very short, 49 percent short and 23 percent adequate. Wind damage was 8 percent light and 15 percent moderate. Freeze damage was 8 percent light, 15 percent moderate and 21 percent severe. There was no hail damage this week with 12 percent of cotton damaged by hail to date.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS					
Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	6 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	99	98	99	96
Alfalfa	7 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	60	50	78	74
Alfalfa	8 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	33	32	1	1
Chile red	Harvested	82	75	96	91
Corn	Harvested	100	100	99	99
Cotton	Harvested	81	71	83	80
Lettuce	Harvested	98	88	-	80
Peanuts	Harvested	93	90	100	99
Sorghum	Mature	100	100	100	96
Sorghum	Harvested	90	77	100	89

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pecans	-	-	3	55	42
Winter Wheat	-	2	64	32	2
Cattle	1	5	38	47	9
Sheep	18	23	21	38	-



**COUNTY REPORTER COMMENTS:**

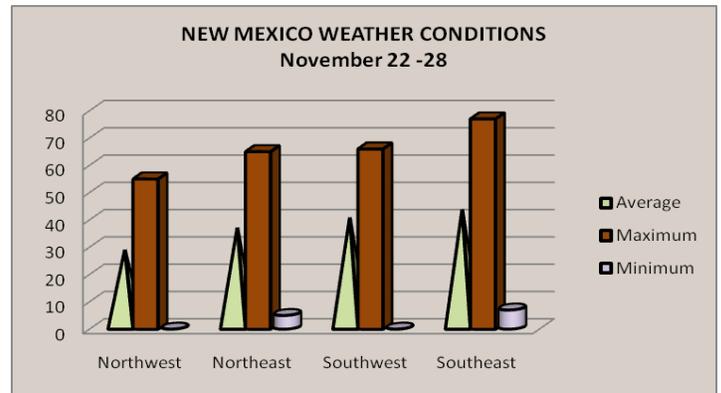
**Guadalupe:** Livestock conditions were good. Pasture conditions did not improve due to the cold. Dry conditions continue - no type of moisture not even frost. It has been really dry with windy conditions. We have not received any snow. Ranchers were completing their calf sales and culling their herds. Farmers were still irrigating their winter crops to get them further established. **Luna/Grant:** Range conditions have deteriorated due to cold weather. Although it still maintains some feeding value, it is not totally adequate to maintain throughout the winter. Possible rains will benefit the extension of the feed. **Santa Fe:** Sub-freezing temperatures this week as well as gusty winds. **Grant:** Cattle were holding their condition. It is extremely dry with high fire danger. Supplemental feeding has started.

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	57	36	6	1
Northeast	42	46	12	-
Southwest	16	54	30	-
Southeast	-	57	43	-
State Current	28	49	23	-
State-Last Week	26	48	21	5
State-Last Year	11	47	39	3
State-5-Yr Avg.	-	-	-	-

## WEATHER SUMMARY

The temperatures during the past week were below normal for most areas of New Mexico. Some snow was reported over the high terrain and mountains over the Northwest and Northern New Mexico on Wednesday night and into Thursday morning.

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	26	28	41	5	-
Northeast	5	21	47	24	3
Southwest	1	14	56	30	-
Southeast	-	7	29	61	3
State Current	7	17	43	31	2
State-Last Week	10	13	40	34	3
State-Last Year	3	15	46	32	4
State-5-Yr Avg.	-	-	-	-	-



### NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – NOVEMBER 22 - 28, 2010

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week	Month	Accum.	Normal	Normal
				22 Nov-28 Nov	01 Nov-28 Nov	01 Jan-28 Nov	Nov	Jan-Nov
<b>Northwest</b>								
Albuquerque	37.9	55	16	0.02	0.02	7.93	0.43	8.38
Chama	22.9	49	-7	0.25	0.44	18.78	1.72	19.81
Farmington	29.4	52	6	0.07	0.13	10.13	0.94	8.12
Gallup	27.9	52	3	0.25	0.32	9.66	0.95	11.91
Grants	27.6	54	0	0.11	0.15	9.61	0.58	10.14
Johnson Ranch	30.2	51	7	0.00	0.00	8.41	0.69	10.85
Los Alamos	25.6	45	6	0.00	0.00	15.36	1.02	17.64
Red River	19.0	46	1	0.00	0.04	0.04	1.18	19.33
Santa Fe	32.4	51	12	0.01	0.03	13.53	0.63	13.21
<b>Northeast</b>								
Capulin	32.0	57	5	0.00	0.01	13.31	0.67	16.94
Clayton	39.0	60	10	0.01	0.02	17.98	0.52	14.80
Clovis	43.0	65	14	0.00	0.72	11.18	0.73	16.97
Las Vegas	33.9	57	13	0.00	0.00	13.34	0.58	18.36
Moriarty	31.6	57	6	0.03	0.03	12.18	0.40	12.17
Raton	33.2	59	7	0.01	0.02	15.54	0.61	16.22
Roy	-	-	-	-	-	15.30	0.50	15.29
Tucumcari	40.8	65	11	0.00	0.12	12.47	0.51	13.90
<b>Southwest</b>								
Animas	45.1	64	19	0.00	0.00	10.08	0.71	10.62
Deming	40.4	64	13	0.00	0.00	8.53	0.64	9.73
Gran Quivira	37.1	56	14	0.00	0.00	14.53	0.91	14.92
Quemado	32.6	64	-5	0.00	0.00	6.74	0.45	13.04
Socorro	42.0	64	17	0.00	0.00	3.17	0.47	8.95
T or C	42.6	66	16	0.00	0.00	7.02	0.60	9.22
<b>Southeast</b>								
Alamogordo	42.9	65	18	-	-	22.07	0.71	11.92
Carlsbad	47.3	77	13	0.00	0.00	14.38	0.59	12.38
Carrizozo	36.4	60	7	0.00	0.06	1.99	0.76	12.07
Las Cruces	43.9	66	22	0.00	0.00	13.88	0.53	8.72
Roswell	43.8	74	11	0.00	0.00	15.05	0.55	12.38
Ruidoso	44.5	60	19	0.00	0.00	20.24	0.88	19.72
Tatum	41.4	69	12	0.00	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.