



WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER

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Crop Weather

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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING July 21, 2013

NEW MEXICO: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.2. Wind damage was 18% light and 7% moderate; with cotton 39% damaged and sorghum 34% damaged. Hail damage 11% light; crops damaged by hail were corn with 8% damaged, cotton 9% damaged, chile 8% damaged and alfalfa 33% damaged.

Counties: **Curry:** Rains fell this past week over most of the area from adequate amounts to just light showers. Some areas received sufficient amounts to limit sales of livestock which give producers hope for pasture conditions to improve substantially. No reported damage to alfalfa fields though some cutting may have been delayed. Dry land milo and hay grazer fields are improved. **De Baca:** Scattered showers throughout the county this summer, rangeland in areas getting rain has started to green up, but will need additional rains to bounce back to "normal". **Guadalupe:** Rangelands have started to green up and improve with this summer's rains. Crop-lands in the county have plenty of irrigation in the Acequias to date. **Grant:** Spotty rains are beginning to show some improvements! Just need more rain. **Luna:** Some light rain has fallen in Luna County in the last week. More rain is needed on rangeland. Workdays were reduced to 6 due to rain. **Lea:** Had good rains previous week. Not the entire county got soaked but good to adequate rainfall throughout. **Rio Arriba/Taos:** We experienced some heavy down pours this past week. Earth tanks are filling up and ranges are starting to show much needed improvement. Some hail damage to small gardens happened along the Rio Chama. **Santa Fe:** Isolated rain showers continue to be received in various regions of the county. **Torrance:** Eastern half of Torrance County looks good. Cattle conditions are improving and range land looks very good. The rest of the county remains very dry and remains in poor condition.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS					
Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	2nd cut	91	88	100	100
Alfalfa	3rd cut	60	60	89	72
Corn	Silking	31	23	39	53
Cotton	Squaring	70	60	80	79
Cotton	Set Bolls	44	33	34	32
Onions	Hvstd	84	80	88	86
Peanuts	Pegging	22	15	59	53
Sorghum	Headed	4	2	5	5
W Wheat	Hvstd	74	64	100	100

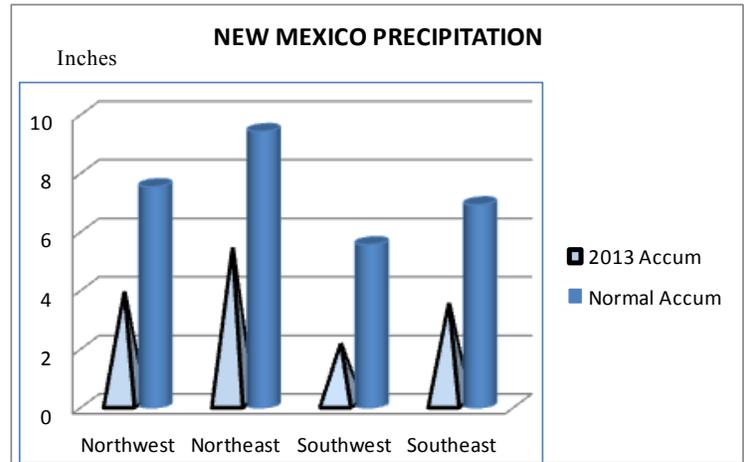
CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES					
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	2	4	31	46	17
Chile	-	1	53	31	15
Corn	-	3	40	25	32
Cotton	1	12	34	34	19
Onion	-	-	31	58	11
Peanut	1	8	75	16	-
Pecan	-	1	43	46	10
Sorghum	-	16	67	15	2
Cattle	7	19	54	18	2
Sheep	29	25	33	13	-

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	51	33	15	1	-
Northeast	41	29	21	7	2
Southwest	60	27	13	-	-
Southeast	37	51	12	-	-
State Current	44	35	17	3	1
State-Last Week	61	27	11	1	-
State-Last Year	40	42	15	3	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	24	31	28	16	1

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	37	32	26	5
Northeast	45	43	12	-
Southwest	85	15	-	-
Southeast	12	65	23	-
State Current	39	41	18	2
State-Last Week	52	36	10	2
State-Last Year	49	41	10	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	34	35	29	2

Weather Summary

An upper Low from the Mid-Atlantic crossed over the Central U.S into New Mexico which brought more moisture, precipitation and cooler than normal temperatures across the state. Areas with high precipitation readings were Carlsbad with 4.13 inches, Tucumcari with 1.86 inches, Red River with 1.68 inches, Animas with 1.42 inches and Las Vegas with 1.29 inches.



NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - July 15 - July 21, 2013

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week 15 Jul - 21 Jul	Month 01 Jul - 21 Jul	Accum. 01 Jan - 21 Jul	Normal July	Normal Jan-Jul
Northwest								
Albuquerque	74.3	90	60	0.28	1.37	2.07	1.50	4.70
Chama	62.8	82	43	0.31	1.78	6.60	2.30	12.29
Farmington	75.1	90	61	0.27	0.37	2.21	0.90	4.20
Gallup	71.0	87	55	0.70	1.44	3.25	1.74	5.68
Grants	68.9	87	55	0.25	1.43	1.71	1.62	5.03
Johnson Ranch	66.9	90	48	0.28	0.80	2.13	1.87	6.23
Los Alamos	65.4	82	49	0.14	2.45	4.76	2.79	9.78
Red River	54.9	75	38	1.68	3.76	9.52	2.86	12.62
Santa Fe	65.0	86	47	0.88	1.03	2.37	2.33	7.40
Northeast								
Capulin	65.6	87	51	0.83	2.37	9.83	4.02	11.24
Clayton	71.8	91	57	0.21	1.98	4.87	2.70	9.00
Clovis	71.0	91	58	0.44	1.74	4.96	2.63	9.94
Las Vegas	63.5	82	49	1.29	3.55	5.50	2.97	9.43
Moriarty	64.7	89	37	0.05	0.75	1.61	1.94	6.92
Raton	67.9	89	54	0.58	1.40	6.61	2.84	10.21
Roy	67.9	87	55	0.24	0.56	2.01	2.97	9.03
Tucumcari	75.2	94	61	1.86	2.75	7.48	2.56	9.68
Southwest								
Animas	73.5	94	62	1.42	2.01	3.19	2.36	5.17
Deming	72.4	89	61	0.50	1.13	1.64	2.19	5.30
Gran Quivira	68.1	86	50	0.67	1.35	2.23	2.86	7.80
Quemado	0.0	0	0	0.00	1.15	1.92	2.49	5.59
Socorro	75.3	94	62	0.02	1.01	1.78	1.62	4.50
T or C	74.4	91	60	0.26	1.28	1.63	2.13	5.05
Southeast								
Alamogordo	74.4	91	61	1.68	1.96	2.51	1.81	5.24
Carlsbad	72.9	90	59	4.13	4.58	6.09	2.01	6.87
Carrizozo	69.0	86	54	0.60	0.79	2.13	2.05	5.55
Las Cruces	77.3	85	67	0.02	0.25	0.59	1.53	4.02
Roswell	71.9	91	59	0.65	2.43	3.10	2.20	7.49
Ruidoso	60.6	84	43	0.54	0.90	2.18	3.65	10.64
Tatum	70.2	86	58	0.88	2.36	7.59	2.52	8.69

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