



WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER

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Crop Weather

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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING July 28, 2013

NEW MEXICO: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.2. Wind damage was 11% light, 5% moderate and 1% severe; with cotton 40% damaged and sorghum 36% damaged. Hail damage was 1% light; crops damaged by hail were corn with 8% damaged, cotton 9% damaged, chile 8% damaged and alfalfa 33% damaged.

Counties: Curry: Curry: Light to moderate rain in the area this week. Pasture conditions improving. All irrigated fields showing excellent growth. Dryland field's still need moisture in all areas, or some areas will be critical in the coming weeks. Livestock conditions much improved. Livestock sale numbers reduced due to improving outlooks for pasture. Eddy: Week of July 15 we received in some area 5 inches of rain. Other areas only received 3/4 of an inch. I have two rain gages that are identical and only 25 feet apart; one had 4.5 inches and the other 5.1 inches. The soil soaked it all up and surprising just a week later we need more water. It was a slow rain so not much run off. Guadalupe: Scattered showers received throughout the county - there has been fair river run-off which will help farmers irrigating from the Pecos River. Lea: Things are good. With recent rainfall strange varieties of weeds and grasses are growing. Luna: Some heavy rains in the area. Rangelands are still suffering from drought. Rio Arriba: Evening showers have continued and ranges are beginning to green up. Santa Fe: Isolated rain showers have been received throughout the course of the week, some being heavy with some bringing hail as well. Some areas experienced flooding. Sierra: Seasonal rains have begun to fall in select geographic areas around the county, Range and Pasture Conditions looking to improve within the next 2-4 weeks. Taos: Dry conditions have improved, with the scattered showers we have received throughout the week. Forest Service has decrease the fire danger from high to moderate.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	2nd cut	94	91	100	100
Alfalfa	3rd cut	64	60	95	84
Alfalfa	4th cut	25	-	43	25
Chile	Hvst Grn	2	-	1	4
Corn	Silking	38	31	49	63
Corn	Dough	10	-	7	9
Cotton	Squaring	80	70	87	85
Cotton	Set Bolls	51	44	38	40
Onions	Hvstd	87	84	90	90
Peanuts	Pegging	26	22	64	58
Sorghum	Headed	6	4	7	9
W Wheat	Hvstd	76	74	100	100

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	54	29	12	5	-
Northeast	42	24	27	6	-
Southwest	65	30	5	-	-
Southeast	57	36	7	-	-
State Current	52	30	15	3	-
State-Last Week	44	35	17	3	1
State-Last Year	41	38	18	3	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	24	28	29	2	-

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

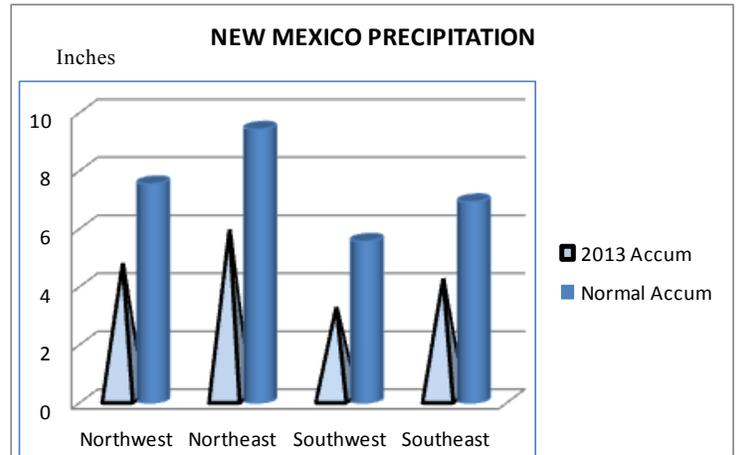
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	4	3	30	54	9
Chile	-	1	53	32	14
Corn	-	3	48	37	12
Cotton	1	11	39	33	16
Onion	-	-	31	58	11
Peanut	1	8	73	18	-
Pecan	2	2	40	46	10
Sorghum	-	28	63	7	2
Cattle	19	27	43	10	1
Sheep	43	20	23	14	-

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	28	27	29	16
Northeast	34	53	13	-
Southwest	51	12	37	-
Southeast	46	35	19	-
State Current	39	36	22	3
State-Last Week	39	41	18	2
State-Last Year	51	41	7	2
State-5-Yr Avg.	30	33	34	3

Weather Summary

The temperatures were near normal during the past week in New Mexico and the monsoon season continues in most areas of the state.



NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - July 22 - July 28, 2013								
Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week 22 Jul - 28 Jul	Month 01 Jul - 28 Jul	Accum. 01 Jan - 28 Jul	Normal July	Normal Jan-Jul
Northwest								
Albuquerque	77.5	96	61	1.37	2.74	3.44	1.50	4.70
Chama	63.2	85	45	2.07	3.75	8.57	2.30	12.29
Farmington	76.9	95	61	0.06	0.43	2.27	0.90	4.20
Gallup	71.2	89	54	0.35	1.79	3.60	1.74	5.68
Grants	70.9	90	55	0.30	1.73	2.01	1.62	5.03
Johnson Ranch	71.1	94	51	0.73	1.71	3.04	1.87	6.23
Los Alamos	70.0	90	55	0.49	3.05	5.36	2.79	9.78
Red River	60.4	79	38	0.40	4.16	9.92	2.86	12.62
Santa Fe	73.4	93	57	1.71	2.74	4.08	2.33	7.40
Northeast								
Capulin	71.4	94	53	0.44	2.81	10.27	4.02	11.24
Clayton	76.9	100	60	0.10	2.08	4.97	2.70	9.00
Clovis	77.6	95	61	0.61	1.74	4.96	2.63	9.94
Las Vegas	69.5	89	54	0.82	4.37	6.32	2.97	9.43
Moriarty	69.6	93	47	2.26	3.01	3.87	1.94	6.92
Raton	72.6	95	54	0.31	1.71	6.92	2.84	10.21
Roy	74.0	93	57	0.04	0.60	2.05	2.97	9.03
Tucumcari	81.0	100	65	0.06	2.81	7.54	2.56	9.68
Southwest								
Animas	75.9	90	64	1.06	3.07	4.25	2.36	5.17
Deming	78.4	95	65	1.69	2.82	3.33	2.19	5.30
Gran Quivira	72.1	91	56	1.25	2.60	3.48	2.86	7.80
Quemado	-	-	-	-	1.15	1.92	2.49	5.59
Socorro	78.3	98	62	0.43	1.44	2.21	1.62	4.50
T or C	76.9	96	62	2.27	3.55	3.90	2.13	5.05
Southeast								
Alamogordo	78.4	95	64	0.78	2.74	3.29	1.81	5.24
Carlsbad	82.0	98	69	0.01	4.59	6.10	2.01	6.87
Carrizozo	74.3	91	59	1.98	2.77	4.11	2.05	5.55
Las Cruces	79.0	96	66	0.42	0.67	1.01	1.53	4.02
Roswell	79.2	97	65	0.79	3.22	3.89	2.20	7.49
Ruidoso	65.5	82	50	1.00	1.90	3.18	3.65	10.64
Tatum	76.9	92	60	0.00	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.