



New Mexico Crop Progress

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Crop Summary for the Week Ending August 24, 2014

New Mexico: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.7. Topsoil moisture was 32% very short, 27% short, 39% adequate and 2% surplus. Subsoil moisture 33% very short, 28% short, 38% adequate and 1% surplus.

County Comments: **Rio Arriba** - High altitude timothy hay production is almost complete. Winter range conditions look good in many parts of the county. **Taos** - The County continues to show improvement to crop and range lands due to the rain showers. Harvesting of hay crops is 50% complete; producers continue to delay harvest because of the recent rains. **Dona Ana** - Sorghum is being harvested for silage. **Otero** - Some rainfall received this week. Scattered showers received throughout the valley. Mountains are receiving regular showers and grass is greening up producing seed heads. Very good grazing conditions reported. Hay growers are winding down production, baling last of the crop for the season. Cattle and sheep are in good to excellent condition, with rangelands improving considerably with much needed rainfall.

Crop Progress Table

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa Hay 4 th Cut	82	75	69	80
Alfalfa Hay 5 th Cut	28	25	20	30
Corn Silking	94	90	92	97
Corn Dough	47	44	50	50
Corn Dented	25	13	16	22
Corn Silage Harvested	13	7	10	11
Cotton Setting Bolls	78	75	84	74
Cotton Bolls Opening	5	-	12	11
Sorghum Headed	45	33	29	51
Sorghum Coloring	3	-	5	8
Peanuts Pegging	75	70	80	81
Green Chile Harvested	35	23	25	39

Soil Moisture Condition Table

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil Moisture				
Current Week	32	27	39	2
Last Week	33	27	38	2
Last Year	26	33	41	-
5-Year Average	33	34	32	1
Subsoil Moisture				
Current Week	33	28	38	1
Last Week	35	28	36	1
Last Year	NA	NA	NA	NA
5-Year Average	NA	NA	NA	NA

Crop and Livestock Condition Table

Commodity	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa Hay	4	7	33	45	11
Corn	3	4	25	38	30
Cotton	-	5	51	25	19
Sorghum	-	-	35	60	5
Chile	-	2	48	44	6
Pecans	-	-	33	51	16
Peanuts	3	21	68	8	-
Cattle	1	4	53	39	3
Sheep	20	22	32	26	-

Range and Pasture Condition Table

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	47	25	15	12	1
Northeast	16	19	38	25	2
Southwest	14	33	43	10	-
Southeast	8	37	30	25	-
State: Current Week	20	27	34	19	-
State: Last Week	20	29	34	17	-
State: Last Year	30	33	23	11	3
State: 5-Year Average	28	28	24	17	3

New Mexico Weather Data – August 18–August 24, 2014

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Average	Maximum	Minimum	Week	Month	Year-to-Date	Monthly Normal	Yearly Normal
Northwest								
Albuquerque	73.6	92	58	0.20	1.38	6.00	1.58	6.28
Chama	59.5	85	38	0.34	0.83	8.73	3.16	15.45
Farmington	71.6	95	53	0.16	0.35	2.46	1.26	5.46
Gallup	65.2	87	47	0.14	0.63	2.91	2.10	7.78
Grants	66.8	87	48	0.99	1.46	3.06	1.81	6.84
Johnson Ranch	63.6	83	43	0.08	0.32	4.91	2.39	8.62
Los Alamos	65.6	82	47	0.14	1.45	11.99	3.60	13.38
Red River	58.0	77	39	0.26	0.58	5.33	3.27	15.89
Santa Fe	67.4	85	46	0.10	0.44	7.91	2.23	9.63
Northeast								
Capulin	68.5	87	45	0.03	2.19	11.85	2.81	14.05
Clayton	78.9	95	61	0.00	0.61	6.48	2.61	11.61
Clovis	78.0	96	60	0.21	1.27	8.61	3.48	13.42
Las Vegas	65.9	85	46	0.00	1.67	8.91	3.73	13.16
Moriarty	64.9	87	46	0.12	1.72	12.05	2.37	9.29
Raton	67.8	87	46	0.09	0.81	7.83	3.03	13.24
Roy	72.8	88	53	0.00	0.24	4.69	2.81	11.84
Tucumcari	81.9	100	62	0.00	0.42	8.88	2.88	12.56
Southwest								
Animas	72.3	88	56	0.62	2.47	8.94	2.29	7.46
Deming	76.1	93	59	0.31	0.99	3.57	2.29	7.59
Gran Quivira	69.8	87	52	0.22	2.75	8.90	3.64	11.44
Quemado	62.8	84	46	0.41	2.21	5.49	2.54	8.13
Socorro	75.4	92	57	0.48	1.71	3.23	2.03	6.53
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Southeast								
Alamogordo	78.4	96	61	0.16	1.21	3.11	2.19	7.43
Carlsbad	83.6	100	65	0.00	0.02	3.02	1.83	8.70
Carrizozo	73.4	92	56	0.11	0.45	2.61	2.69	8.24
Las Cruces	77.6	93	63	0.18	1.84	4.29	2.22	6.24
Roswell	77.5	95	61	0.00	1.70	10.77	2.91	10.40
Ruidoso	66.1	84	46	0.18	4.04	10.53	4.69	15.33
Tatum	79.1	98	60	0.01	1.16	8.76	2.48	11.17

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