



New Mexico Crop Progress

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Crop Summary for the Week Ending September 28, 2014

New Mexico: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.9. Topsoil moisture was 29% very short, 22% short, 45% adequate and 4% surplus. Subsoil moisture 28% very short, 27% short, 42% adequate and 3% surplus.

County Comments: **Taos** - Rain showers continue to improve the dry conditions. The second cutting of hay crops is 25% complete. **Curry** - Rain this week in all areas in amounts from approximately 1 to 3 inches. Rain slowed silage harvest but allowed field work to finish planting wheat. Some wheat has emerged and may allow for plans for grazing in the coming months. Most corn being harvested for silage, but there may be some cut for grain. Pasture land and livestock in good to excellent condition and will continue to improve after the recent rains until frost. Calves are just beginning to be delivered and auction receipts will be increasing in the coming weeks.

Crop Progress Table

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa Hay 5 th Cut	83	72	88	85
Alfalfa Hay 6 th Cut	35	25	30	38
Corn Dented	85	80	89	86
Corn Mature	50	NA	54	55
Corn Silage Harvested	75	68	74	63
Cotton Bolls Opening	48	38	48	61
Sorghum Coloring	70	55	68	63
Sorghum Mature	10	NA	7	7
Winter Wheat Planted	54	36	46	70
Green Chile Harvested	93	88	95	92

Soil Moisture Condition Table

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil Moisture				
Current Week	29	22	45	4
Last Week	30	22	44	4
Last Year	21	31	45	3
5-Year Average	30	37	32	1
Subsoil Moisture				
Current Week	28	27	42	3
Last Week	29	27	41	3
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	2	6	37	44	11
Corn	3	4	26	32	35
Cotton	-	4	51	25	20
Sorghum	-	3	29	60	8
Pecans	-	-	24	60	16
Peanuts	3	19	71	7	-
Cattle	2	10	39	46	3
Sheep	19	24	31	25	1

Range and Pasture Condition Table

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	44	17	23	15	1
Northeast	3	12	38	32	15
Southwest	14	28	47	10	1
Southeast	4	20	40	32	4
State: Current Week	14	17	39	24	6
State: Last Week	14	18	37	26	5
State: Last Year	15	30	33	14	8
State: 5-Year Average	27	28	26	16	3

New Mexico Weather Data – September 22–September 28, 2014

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Average	Maximum	Minimum	Week	Month	Year-to-Date	Monthly Normal	Yearly Normal
Northwest								
Albuquerque	70.9	85	57	0.17	0.72	6.79	1.08	7.36
Chama	58.4	80	39	0.77	1.05	9.89	2.35	17.80
Farmington	68.1	86	51	1.06	1.53	4.24	1.04	6.50
Gallup	64.9	86	44	1.03	1.52	4.49	1.20	8.98
Grants	64.1	82	43	0.11	0.24	3.47	1.23	8.07
Johnson Ranch	62.6	82	41	0.33	0.33	5.24	1.32	9.94
Los Alamos	64.2	81	49	0.09	0.27	12.37	2.01	15.39
Red River	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.07	17.96
Santa Fe	63.4	81	44	0.21	0.21	10.05	1.54	11.17
Northeast								
Capulin	62.3	80	44	0.64	1.31	13.16	1.96	16.01
Clayton	67.6	84	52	0.06	2.74	10.63	1.77	13.38
Clovis	66.6	83	52	0.81	0.69	9.45	2.18	15.60
Las Vegas	61.5	77	47	0.88	1.80	10.91	2.25	15.41
Moriarty	62.8	83	38	0.17	0.62	13.27	1.48	10.77
Raton	64.5	81	47	0.41	1.36	9.38	1.74	14.98
Roy	65.4	83	48	0.30	0.42	5.36	1.90	13.74
Tucumcari	69.5	85	53	0.60	3.52	12.71	1.68	14.24
Southwest								
Animas	70.5	84	53	0.02	2.98	12.03	1.29	8.75
Deming	72.2	86	57	0.02	4.75	8.34	1.30	8.89
Gran Quivira	64.6	81	48	0.39	2.69	12.42	2.18	13.62
Quemado	64.9	81	43	0.53	1.57	7.29	1.81	9.94
Socorro	69.4	85	55	0.41	2.61	6.40	1.55	8.08
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Southeast								
Alamogordo	69.8	83	53	0.08	3.28	6.59	1.48	8.91
Carlsbad	70.1	84	57	-	-	-	2.11	10.81
Carrizozo	68.0	87	50	0.19	2.04	4.89	1.88	10.12
Las Cruces	72.6	87	58	0.20	3.23	7.65	1.33	7.57
Roswell	67.6	84	53	1.38	5.58	16.72	2.00	12.40
Ruidoso	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.61	17.94
Tatum	65.7	79	52	0.92	6.00	15.83	2.36	13.53

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