



New Mexico Crop Progress

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Crop Summary for the Week Ending October 5, 2014

New Mexico: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.7. Topsoil moisture was 29% very short, 23% short, 46% adequate and 2% surplus. Subsoil moisture 28% very short, 28% short, 42% adequate and 2% surplus.

County Comments: Rio Arriba – Cow-calf producers are weaning and shipping. Lambs are being shipped to market. Light frosts are now common in the higher regions of the county. Curry - Recent rains have slowed crop harvest and wheat planting, but drying conditions the past few days have made prospects for completion much better. The prospects for winter wheat grazing are brighter, which in turn has improved markets on light weight steers and heifers. Auction receipts have increased the past week and operators are expecting higher numbers the next few weeks as ranchers are busy weaning and marketing calves. Alfalfa producers should be able to complete this cutting due to a dryer forecast for the coming week, though prospects for a sixth cutting are not as bright.

Crop Progress Table

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa Hay 5 th Cut	89	83	NA	90
Alfalfa Hay 6 th Cut	41	35	NA	47
Corn Dented	95	85	NA	93
Corn Mature	70	50	NA	65
Corn Silage Harvested	84	75	NA	67
Cotton Bolls Opening	65	48	NA	70
Sorghum Coloring	78	70	NA	75
Sorghum Mature	20	10	NA	17
Winter Wheat Planted	73	54	NA	83
Winter Wht Emerged	25	NA	NA	55
Green Chile Harvested	95	93	NA	95

NA – Not Available

Soil Moisture Condition Table

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil Moisture				
Current Week	29	23	46	2
Last Week	29	22	45	4
Last Year	NA	NA	NA	NA
5-Year Average	32	39	29	-
Subsoil Moisture				
Current Week	28	28	42	2
Last Week	28	27	42	3
Last Year	NA	NA	NA	NA
5-Year Average	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA – Not Available

Crop and Livestock Condition Table

Commodity	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa Hay	1	4	38	46	11
Corn	3	4	26	32	35
Cotton	-	2	49	29	20
Sorghum	-	3	28	60	9
Pecans	-	-	24	60	16
Peanuts	3	19	71	7	-
Cattle	2	10	38	45	5
Sheep	18	24	30	28	-

Range and Pasture Condition Table

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	37	18	25	20	-
Northeast	5	10	45	30	10
Southwest	20	35	40	5	-
Southeast	3	20	35	35	7
State: Current Week	14	18	39	24	5
State: Last Week	14	17	39	24	6
State: Last Year	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
State: 5-Year Average	29	28	24	16	3

NA – Not Available

Due to a lapse in federal funding in October 2013, the Crop Progress reports for the weeks ending October 6, 2013 and October 13, 2013 were canceled. Therefore, previous year estimates for the corresponding weeks will not be available. Five-year average estimates will reflect the years 2009-2013 using published estimates for 2009-2012 and imputed estimates for 2013.

New Mexico Weather Data – September 29–October 5, 2014

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Average	Maximum	Minimum	Week	Month	Year-to-Date	Monthly Normal	Yearly Normal
Northwest								
Albuquerque	63.5	80	45	0.01	0.00	6.80	1.02	8.38
Chama	45.5	70	22	0.60	0.00	10.46	2.03	19.83
Farmington	55.6	77	38	0.27	0.00	4.51	0.91	7.41
Gallup	52.8	76	30	0.49	0.00	4.98	0.99	9.97
Grants	52.2	77	27	-	-	-	0.97	9.04
Johnson Ranch	49.9	71	29	0.15	0.00	5.39	0.95	10.89
Los Alamos	55.7	70	38	0.13	0.00	12.50	1.56	16.95
Red River	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.84	19.80
Santa Fe	57.1	78	36	0.02	-	-	1.33	12.50
Northeast								
Capulin	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.95	16.96
Clayton	59.9	78	40	0.39	-	-	0.90	14.28
Clovis	62.3	82	40	0.19	0.00	9.52	1.98	17.58
Las Vegas	54.1	75	31	-	-	-	1.34	16.75
Moriarty	55.4	79	32	0.16	0.00	13.43	1.52	12.29
Raton	54.6	75	31	0.41	-	-	1.16	16.14
Roy	55.2	75	31	0.73	0.00	6.09	1.05	14.79
Tucumcari	63.6	84	42	0.24	-	-	1.50	15.74
Southwest								
Animas	66.3	85	43	0.02	0.00	12.05	1.12	9.87
Deming	66.7	87	43	0.08	0.00	8.42	1.06	9.95
Gran Quivira	59.4	76	41	0.07	0.00	12.49	1.74	15.36
Quemado	51.7	73	25	0.00	0.00	7.29	0.96	10.90
Socorro	65.8	83	45	0.00	0.00	6.40	1.09	9.17
T or C	67.6	85	49	-	-	-	1.10	10.21
Southeast								
Alamogordo	66.9	86	39	-	-	-	1.17	10.08
Carlsbad	68.7	88	47	-	-	-	1.16	11.97
Carrizozo	62.5	83	41	0.14	0.00	5.03	1.19	11.31
Las Cruces	68.6	88	48	0.00	0.00	7.65	0.94	8.51
Roswell	65.9	86	43	0.00	0.00	16.72	1.34	13.74
Ruidoso	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.64	19.58
Tatum	62.9	82	42	0.00	0.00	15.83	1.49	15.02

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