

NEW MEXICO CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 14, 2024

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Most of New Mexico received adequate moisture last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Green chile harvest began last week and was 1 percent complete. Corn emergence increased to 92 percent complete, and silking increased to 10 percent complete. Corn doughing began last week and was 1 percent complete. Winter wheat harvest was 57 percent complete, up from 48 percent last week. Most cattle remained in fair condition, at 51 percent, while most sheep were in good condition at 57 percent. No livestock death losses were reported.

According to National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) data, rainfall varied from a trace up to 2 inches. Parts of Colfax County received up to 3 inches. According to the High Plains Regional Climate Center (HPRCC), temperatures throughout the eastern and central parts of the State were 4 degrees below normal last week, while the western part of the State saw temperatures up to 3 degrees above normal last week. According to the United States Drought Monitor for July 9, exceptional and extreme drought conditions (D4 and D3) remained unchanged from last week at less than 1 percent and 12 percent, respectively. The worst of the drought conditions continue to be in parts of Eddy County. Severe drought (D2) decreased to 12 percent, moderate drought (D1) decreased to 27 percent, and abnormal dryness (D0) increased to 34 percent. Drought-free conditions jumped from last week to 14 percent.

Hail damage in all crops was reported as 1 percent severe, 4 percent moderate, and 6 percent light. Wind damage in all crops was reported as 1 percent severe, 9 percent moderate, and 12 percent light. Hay and roughage supplies were reported as 20 percent very short, 66 percent short, and 14 percent adequate, compared with 23 percent very short, 57 percent short, 19 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were reported as 39 percent very short, 40 percent short, and 21 percent adequate, compared with 44 percent very short, 34 percent short, 20 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
2 nd cutting harvested.....	93	80	66	70
3 rd cutting harvested.....	20	15	6	19
4 th cutting harvested.....	5	2	NA	NA
Chile				
Green harvested.....	1	NA	--	--
Corn				
Emerged.....	92	78	94	NA
Silking.....	10	4	1	7
Dough.....	1	NA	NA	NA
Cotton				
Emerged.....	85	75	94	NA
Squaring.....	21	15	13	38
Setting Bolls.....	7	4	NA	NA
Onions				
Harvested.....	86	80	65	71
Winter Wheat				
Harvested for grain.....	57	48	56	71
Cattle and Calves				
Receiving supplemental feed.....	53	42	NA	NA
Sheep and Lambs				
Receiving supplemental feed.....	38	15	NA	NA

NA – not available
 (--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.6
Topsoil Moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	34	26	32	31
Short.....	47	45	30	38
Adequate.....	19	28	38	29
Surplus.....	--	1	--	2
Subsoil Moisture				
Very short.....	27	24	33	32
Short.....	46	48	34	44
Adequate.....	27	27	33	24
Surplus.....	--	1	--	--

NA – not available
 (--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	1	2	--	1
Poor	4	7	5	6
Fair	47	38	9	28
Good	35	35	60	49
Excellent	13	18	26	16
Chile				
Very poor	--	--	--	1
Poor	3	3	18	10
Fair	25	27	16	27
Good	33	33	26	47
Excellent	39	37	40	15
Corn				
Very poor	7	5	--	1
Poor	20	13	11	7
Fair	32	40	12	40
Good	19	20	42	26
Excellent	22	22	35	26
Cotton				
Very Poor.....	9	9	--	1
Poor.....	36	35	13	17
Fair.....	40	41	36	46
Good.....	8	9	28	27
Excellent.....	7	6	23	9
Pasture and range				
Very Poor.....	24	22	14	13
Poor.....	39	34	10	30
Fair.....	31	33	27	33
Good.....	5	9	24	15
Excellent.....	1	2	25	9
Pecans				
Very Poor.....	--	--	1	1
Poor.....	4	8	1	4
Fair.....	16	18	2	16
Good.....	24	26	16	49
Excellent.....	56	48	80	30
Cattle and calves				
Very Poor.....	6	4	1	4
Poor.....	24	20	8	11
Fair.....	51	47	27	36
Good.....	16	25	40	37
Excellent.....	3	4	24	12
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor	1	3	4	5
Poor	2	5	4	8
Fair.....	38	41	16	31
Good.....	57	48	65	51
Excellent.....	2	3	11	5

NA – not available

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