

# NEW MEXICO CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 10, 2024

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Much of New Mexico got hit with the first major winter storm of the season last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Red chile harvest continued and was 75 percent complete. The corn crop was 80 percent matured. Silage harvest was 85 percent complete, while grain harvest was 50 percent complete. The cotton crop was 10 percent harvested and 95 percent of the bolls had opened. Most cattle and sheep were observed to be in good condition, at 41 percent and 50 percent, respectively.

According to National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) data, central New Mexico recorded the highest precipitation amounts last week, with parts of Torrance, Guadalupe, and San Miguel County recording up to 3.5 inches. Parts of Union County recorded up to 20 inches of snowfall, and roads were temporarily impassable, according to reporters. Northeastern counties recorded up to 2.5 inches, while the rest of the State saw amounts up to 1 inch. According to the High Plains Regional Climate Center (HPRCC), northeastern counties recorded temperatures up to 16 degrees below normal, while the rest of the state averaged 6 degrees below normal temperatures. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor for November 5, the State remains free from exceptional drought (D4) conditions. Extreme drought (D3) conditions decreased from last week to 6 percent, severe drought (D2) conditions decreased to 12 percent, moderate drought (D1) conditions remained unchanged at just under 14 percent, and abnormally dry (D0) conditions decreased to just under 44 percent. Drought-free (D0) conditions increased to just under 25 percent.

Wind damage in all crops was reported as 9 percent severe, 9 percent moderate, and 5 percent light. No hail damage was reported. Hay and roughage supplies were reported as 20 percent very short, 35 percent short, 42 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus, compared with 26 percent very short, 43 percent short, 29 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies were reported as 15 percent very short, 46 percent short, 32 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus, compared with 31 percent very short, 45 percent short, and 24 percent adequate last week.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
6 <sup>th</sup> cutting harvested .....	93	79	52	NA
Chile				
Red harvested .....	75	60	69	81
Corn				
Mature.....	80	68	79	NA
Harvested for grain .....	50	34	40	49
Harvested for silage.....	85	81	80	NA
Cotton				
Bolls Opening .....	95	87	77	NA
Harvested .....	10	4	44	40
Onions				
Emerged .....	50	39	39	NA
Pecans				
Harvested .....	15	7	27	12
Cattle and Calves				
Receiving supplemental feed.....	45	29	NA	NA
Sheep and Lambs				
Receiving supplemental feed.....	34	33	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.....	4.8	6.4	6.7	6.6
Topsoil Moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	33	42	35	29
Short .....	32	41	40	40
Adequate.....	24	15	23	29
Surplus.....	11	2	2	2
Subsoil Moisture				
Very short.....	21	46	33	31
Short .....	49	42	40	43
Adequate.....	20	11	25	25
Surplus.....	10	1	2	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)
<b>Corn</b>				
Very poor .....	2	7	NA	NA
Poor .....	15	24	NA	NA
Fair .....	32	39	NA	NA
Good .....	13	7	NA	NA
Excellent .....	38	23	NA	NA
<b>Cotton</b>				
Very Poor .....	2	5	2	NA
Poor .....	26	35	20	NA
Fair .....	35	44	27	NA
Good .....	4	9	19	NA
Excellent .....	33	7	32	NA
<b>Pasture and range</b>				
Very Poor.....	11	20	8	13
Poor.....	27	36	32	28
Fair.....	20	29	33	32
Good.....	23	8	17	19
Excellent.....	19	7	10	8
<b>Pecans</b>				
Very Poor .....	--	1	--	3
Poor .....	--	1	7	8
Fair.....	2	8	4	10
Good .....	20	29	3	40
Excellent .....	78	61	86	39
<b>Winter wheat</b>				
Very poor .....	17	26	--	2
Poor .....	23	32	18	22
Fair.....	20	29	55	32
Good .....	4	1	17	29
Excellent .....	36	12	10	15
<b>Cattle and calves</b>				
Very Poor .....	1	4	2	3
Poor.....	4	11	6	9
Fair.....	34	42	49	39
Good .....	41	32	32	33
Excellent.....	20	11	11	16
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>				
Very poor .....	--	1	--	3
Poor .....	4	8	5	8
Fair.....	36	49	34	35
Good .....	50	41	51	47
Excellent .....	10	1	10	7

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