

New Mexico Commentary

Onion Crop Growth Stage and Status Last Modified: 07/24/13

The spring sown-crop onion crop is now at growth stages 8-10 and harvest season is near its end. Bulb yields and quality have been good as environmental conditions have been ideal. This will be the final report from New Mexico for this year.

Weather Impacts (temperature, rain, hail, freezing) Last Modified: 07/24/13

Temperatures have been unseasonably cool (mid to high 80s) and chances of precipitation have increased. The monsoon season has begun and recent precipitation may delay harvest slightly in some areas.

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| Temperature Outlook* [2 – 4 weeks]: | Normal |
| Precipitation Outlook* [2 – 4 weeks]: | Below Normal |

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Insect Scouting, Outlook and Management Last Modified: 07/24/13

Thrips

Thrips numbers (adult and juvenile) ranged from 0 to 80 per plant with a mean of 14 per plant in the final remaining unharvested sentinel plot (1).

Other

No reports at this time

Disease Scouting, Outlook and Management Last Modified: 07/24/13

Iris yellow spot virus

No reports at this time

Soil-borne Diseases (Damping Off, Pink Root, Fusarium)

Pink root has become more apparent in some sentinel plots as harvest draws nearer. However, losses appear to be minor.

Fungal Diseases (purple blotch, downy mildew, Botrytis)

No surveys or reports at this time

Bacterial Diseases (Xanthomonas, center rot, soft rots)

No surveys or reports at this time

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