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## **Texas Crop Progress and Condition**

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Hot temperatures were experienced across the state early in the week, as the week progressed isolated showers were seen. Areas of the Trans-Pecos received up to 6 inches of rainfall, while the rest of the state experienced upwards of 2 inches to little or no precipitation.

**Small Grains:** Winter wheat harvest neared completion throughout the state. Wheat and oat crops in areas of the Cross Timbers were abandoned due to heavy rainfall received in late June.

Row Crops: Row crops continued to make progress statewide. Cotton was at the squaring stage in areas of the Southern Plains and was setting bolls in South Texas. Corn was at the denting stage and drying out in areas of the Blacklands and South Texas. Sorghum progressed well and reached the coloring stage in areas of South Texas. Peanuts planting neared completion in areas of South Texas and continued to progress in areas of the Southern High Plains. Soybeans progressed well in areas of the Blacklands and sunflowers planting continued in the Northern High Plains.

#### **Crop Progress**

	Percent of Acreage							
Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average				
Corn								
Silked	53	46	57	65				
Dough	45	35	39	46				
Dented	37	26	20	32				
Cotton								
Squaring	27	17	32	36				
Setting Bolls	9	8	7	10				
Peanuts								
Pegging	23	13	21	14				
Rice								
Headed	48	39	38	31				
Sorghum								
Headed	60	58	54	60				
Coloring	40	36	37	48				
Mature	29	18	16	32				
Harvested	10	4	2	12				
Soybeans								
Blooming	45	30	38	48				
Sunflowers								
Planted	92	90	92	94				
Winter Wheat								
Harvested	95	80	82	88				
Oats								
Harvested	96	82	95	95				

**Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops:** Harvest of warm season vegetables continued in North East Texas but sweet potato growers reported heat stress. The pecan crop progressed well in areas of the Southern High Plains. Watermelon harvest was active in many areas of South Texas and the Southern High Plains.

**Livestock, Range, and Pasture:** Range and pasture were beginning to show signs of stress but were still in mostly good condition. Ponds and stock tanks remained at capacity statewide and livestock were in good condition overall. In the Northern Low Plains, the Upper Coast, and South Texas, livestock producers reported an abundance of forage still available for grazing on native range and pastures. Hay production and weed control activities continued.

## **Crop Condition**

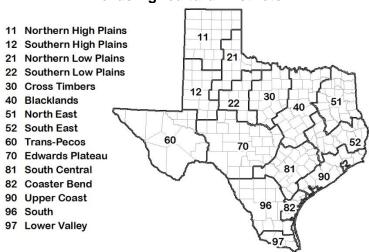
Crop		Pe	Index 1				
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2016	2015
Corn	15	56	24	4	1	82	78
Cotton	8	42	40	9	1	73	73
Peanuts	3	63	33	1		80	78
Rice	9	48	37	3	3	76	73
Sorghum	17	47	33	2	1	81	79
Soybeans	9	51	36	3	1	78	74
Wheat	7	36	43	11	3	69	68
Oats	5	35	38	14	8	64	58
Range and Pasture	17	48	27	6	2		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The formula for the condition index is I = (5V + 25P + 60F + 90G + 110E)/100 where I = crop condition index and V, P, F, G, E = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

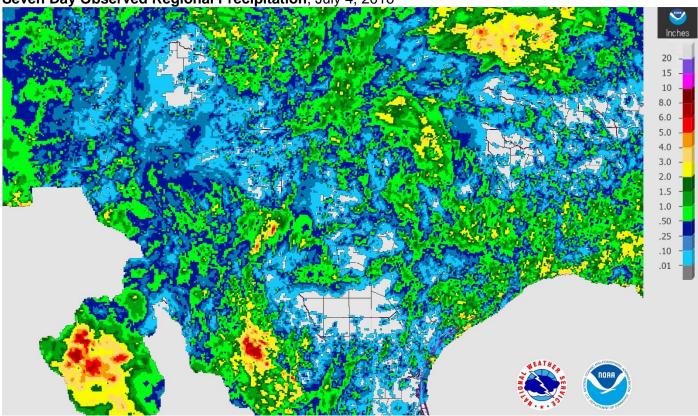
## **Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District**

	Topsoil Moisture Condition by District				Subsoil Moisture Condition by District				Days Suitable	
District	Percentage of Acreage					for				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Fieldwork	
11	0	46	54	0	2	41	56	1	6.1	
12	6	49	44	1	5	48	45	2	6.9	
21	3	39	53	5	5	26	62	7	6.5	
22	1	20	65	14	2	11	74	13	6.2	
30	4	24	65	7	4	11	76	9	6.4	
40	9	28	59	4	2	20	72	6	6.5	
51	4	21	53	22	1	16	59	24	6.5	
52	0	34	56	10	0	22	66	12	6.9	
60	46	18	36	0	43	22	35	0	6.5	
70	2	28	63	7	2	17	74	7	6.7	
81	2	33	57	8	1	28	60	11	5.9	
82	5	23	62	10	0	8	83	9	7.0	
90	5	13	71	11	0	11	74	15	5.7	
96	12	43	41	4	12	22	62	4	7.0	
97	0	48	52	0	0	7	93	0	7.0	
State	4	35	56	5	3	27	64	6	6.4	

## **Texas Agricultural Districts**

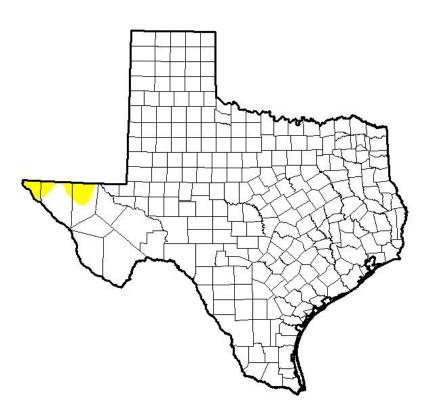


Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, July 4, 2016



Source: National Weather Service, www.nws.noaa.gov

## Drought Monitor, Valid June 28, 2016



## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Сиптепт	98.62	1.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 6/21/2016	98.62	1.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Month's Ago 329/2016	75.16	24.84	2.96	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12292015	95.48	4.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 9/29/2015	34.51	65.49	38.32	17.55	6.27	0.00
One Year Ago 6/30/2015	95.37	4.63	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00

#### Intensity:



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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Source: National Drought Mitigation Center, a partnership with USDA, U.S. Department of Commerce/NOAA, <a href="http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu">http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu</a>