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## **Texas Crop Progress and Condition**

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Significant rainfall was received in many areas of the state with parts of the Low Plains, Blacklands, and the Cross Timbers recording up to 6 inches for the week. Areas of South Texas, South Central Texas, and the Trans Pecos received up to 3 inches of rainfall. Totals across other areas of the state ranged from 0.25 of an inch up to 2 inches.

Small Grains: Small grain seeding continued throughout the state. In areas of South Texas, wheat and oat fields were emerging. Preparations were underway to turn cattle out on wheat pasture for winter grazing in areas of the Low Plains and the Cross Timbers. In the Blacklands and Northeast Texas, wheat seeding progressed well, but was delayed in areas of the Edwards Plateau due to wet conditions.

#### **Crop Progress**

	Percent of Acreage							
Stage	Current Previous Week Week		Previous Year	5 Year Average				
Corn								
Harvested	95	90	86	94				
Cotton								
<b>Bolls Opening</b>	96	93	98	96				
Harvested	39	30	49	51				
Peanuts								
Harvested	65	57	63	76				
Sorghum								
Mature	96	94	96	95				
Harvested	83	80	85	83				
Soybeans								
Harvested	85	80	85	84				
Sunflowers								
Harvested	81	72 86		81				
Winter Wheat								
Planted	85	75	75	84				
Emerged	71	56	58	64				
Oats								
Planted	85	75	81	85				
Emerged	59	30	46	58				

**Row Crops:** Corn harvest was complete in most areas, while late fields were being harvested in the Northern High Plains. Cotton harvest continued across the state. In the High Plains, cotton harvest was in full swing and picking up in the Low Plains. In areas of the Blacklands, soybean harvest was wrapping up. Sorghum harvest continued in the Northern High Plains and peanut harvest was in full swing in areas of South Texas.

**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crop Report:** In the Lower Valley, fall vegetable crops were being irrigated and tomatoes and onions were progressing well. Cabbage harvest was delayed in areas of South Texas due to heavy precipitation, pecan harvest was nearing completion, and spinach progressed well. Pecan harvest was active in areas of the Cross Timbers, Blacklands, and South Central Texas. In the Edwards Plateau, spinach, cabbage, and lettuce crops benefitted from recent rainfall.

**Livestock, Range and Pasture Report**: Most pastures across the state had adequate moisture and livestock were in good condition. Some producers were still trying to get a last cutting of hay, as weather permitted. Many stock tanks and ponds were in need of runoff water. Stock tanks were full in some areas of the Blacklands and pond levels were declining in Northeast Texas.

#### **Crop Condition**

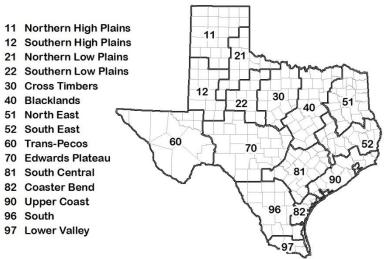
Crop		Pe	Index <sup>1</sup>				
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2016	2015
Corn	11	44	31	11	3	73	75
Cotton	8	38	35	15	4	68	67
Peanuts	17	42	35	6	0	79	81
Sorghum	15	40	35	8	2	76	80
Soybeans	6	36	43	11	4	68	62
Winter Wheat	4	35	46	12	3	67	73
Range and Pasture	6	35	40	14	5		

<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 for	
District	Percentage of Acreage			Percentage of Acreage					
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Fieldwork
11	19	31	49	1	10	40	47	3	5.6
12	3	32	50	15	4	32	59	5	4.0
21	0	14	78	8	0	23	67	10	6.0
22	0	23	72	5	2	15	72	11	4.9
30	2	9	70	19	4	10	78	8	4.7
40	16	30	52	2	12	36	45	7	5.3
51	17	48	35	0	16	56	25	3	6.9
52	7	33	39	21	6	34	49	11	6.3
60	21	28	51	0	21	31	48	0	6.8
70	7	21	67	5	5	23	69	3	5.5
81	3	47	44	6	3	40	55	2	5.4
82	4	35	61	0	6	40	51	3	6.6
90	10	35	52	3	8	20	68	4	5.4
96	22	29	49	0	23	21	56	0	6.6
97	47	26	27	0	21	51	28	0	5.4
State	11	30	53	6	8	32	55	5	5.3

### **Texas Agricultural Districts**

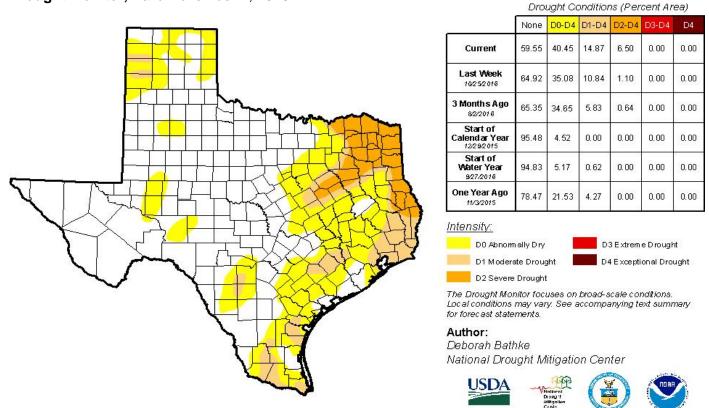


Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, November 6, 2016

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

#### Drought Monitor, Valid November 1, 2016



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>