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Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Dry weather conditions prevailed across much of the state last week. Areas of Southeast Texas, South Central Texas, the Upper Coast, and the Lower Valley recorded between 1 to 3 inches of rainfall. Portions of the Blacklands and Southeast Texas received scattered showers with isolated areas receiving up to 0.5 of an inch. Other areas received little or no precipitation.

Small Grains: Seeding of winter wheat continued throughout the state last week, following row crop harvest, while oats seeding was wrapping up in most areas. Dry weather was negatively impacting recently-emerged small grains and rainfall was needed to sustain crop development. Producers released grazing cattle on small grain fields in areas of the Plains.

Crop Progress

	Percent of Acreage					
Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average		
Cotton						
Harvested	47	41	59	68		
Peanuts						
Harvested	81	78	84	92		
Sorghum						
Harvested	91	87	91	90		
Soybeans						
Harvested	90	86	88	91		
Sunflowers						
Harvested	87	85	89	87		
Winter Wheat						
Planted	91	88	83	91		
Emerged	79	72	74	76		
Oats						
Planted	91	89	89	91		
Emerged	81	75	66	71		

Row Crops: Harvest of row crops was in its final stages in most parts of the state. Corn and sunflower harvest had wrapped up around the state. Cotton harvest continued in areas of the Plains, Blacklands, and the Edwards Plateau. Peanut harvest continued in areas of South Texas.

Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crop Report: Onions and carrots made good progress last week in areas of South Texas. Dry conditions allowed harvest activities to take place for harvest of cabbage, fresh market spinach, and spinach for processing. In the Lower Valley, sugarcane, vegetable and citrus harvest continued, and fall vegetable crops progressed. Pecan harvest was underway in areas of the Cross Timbers and Blacklands.

Livestock, Range and Pasture Report: Livestock were in good condition heading into the winter grazing season. Range and pasture remained in good condition in many areas of the state. Hay was being cut in the Cross Timbers, South Texas, and the Lower Valley.

Crop Condition

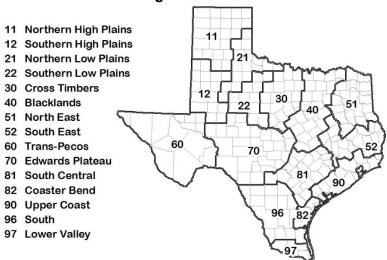
Crop		Po	Index 1				
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2016	2015
Cotton	9	35	34	17	5	66	67
Peanuts	17	42	35	6	0	79	81
Sorghum	15	40	35	8	2	76	76
Soybeans	6	36	43	11	4	68	62
Winter Wheat	7	34	41	14	4	67	76
Oats	7	31	44	10	8	65	66
Range and Pasture	5	35	41	14	5		

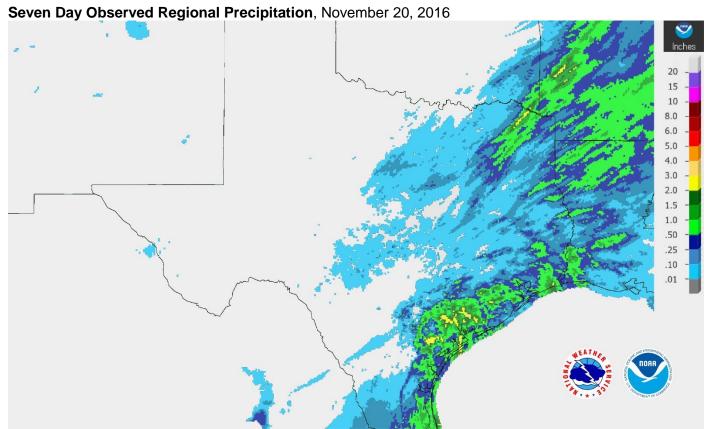
¹ The formula for the condition index is I = (5V + 25P + 60F + 90G + 110E)/100 where I = crop condition index and V, P, F, G, E = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

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	24	38	38	0	11	45	44	0	6.4
12	5	18	67	10	8	27	59	6	5.6
21	0	23	73	4	0	20	75	5	5.8
22	0	5	88	7	2	5	83	10	4.2
30	2	7	77	14	3	10	84	3	6.2
40	2	26	67	5	2	26	67	5	5.7
51	17	49	34	0	15	53	29	3	6.8
52	6	27	38	29	5	27	40	28	6.3
60	22	31	47	0	22	30	48	0	6.3
70	6	12	71	11	5	15	70	10	6.0
81	1	21	73	5	2	29	67	2	6.6
82	0	39	61	0	5	45	47	3	5.0
90	6	55	37	2	7	23	66	4	6.3
96	1	42	56	1	17	28	55	0	6.3
97	47	18	35	0	0	63	37	0	5.7
State	10	27	58	5	7	30	59	4	5.9

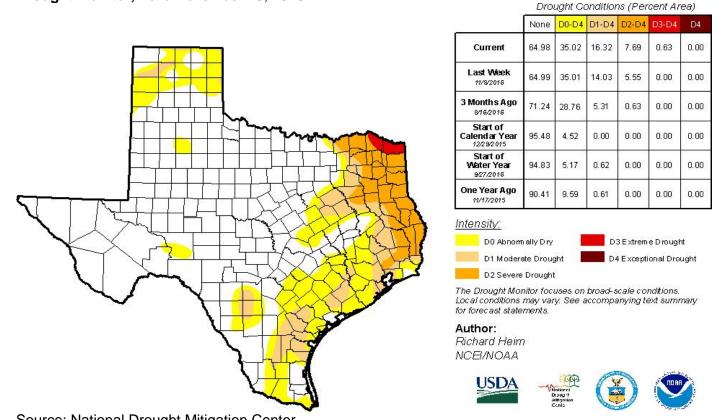
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Drought Monitor, Valid November 15, 2016



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