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## **Texas Crop Progress and Condition**

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#### **Crop Progress**

	Percent of Acreage						
Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average			
Cotton Harvested Pecans	98	97	98	99			
Harvested	94	93	89	96			
Winter Wheat Emerged	94	93	98	97			
Oats Emerged	99	95	100	99			

The state experienced little to no measurable rainfall last week. Light showers were experienced in areas of North East Texas and the Coastal Bend, with isolated areas in the Upper Coast, South Texas, and the Lower Valley receiving upwards of 0.5 of an inch of rainfall.

**Small Grains:** Winter wheat was in fair condition across much of the state. Wheat and oat crops emerged and irrigation systems were active in areas of the Southern High Plains and South Texas. In the Blacklands and North East Texas, producers were beginning to top dress in anticipation of spring growth.

**Row Crops:** Cotton harvest was nearing completion in the High Plains. Field preparations for corn continued in the Blacklands, South Central, South Texas, and the Lower Valley.

**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops:** Preparation for planting of tomatoes and onions was underway in the Lower Valley. In the Cross Timbers and Northeast Texas, growers were concerned about the lack of chilling hours for fruit trees.

**Livestock**, **Range and Pasture**: Supplemental feeding continued across much of the state. Pasture quality deteriorated in the Coastal Bend from the freeze, while South Texas pastures suffered from a lack of rainfall. Warm weather helped growth in the Northern Low Plains and South East Texas.

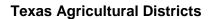
#### **Crop Condition**

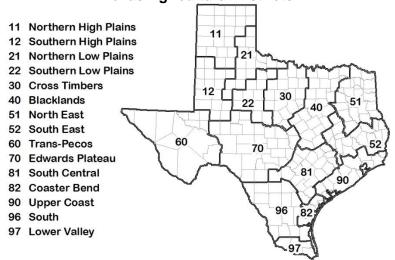
Cron	Percent of Acreage						ex <sup>1</sup>
Crop	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2017	2016
Wheat Oats Range and Pasture	5 4 4	26 28 35	43 51 39	22 11 17	4 6 5	60 63 	70 60 

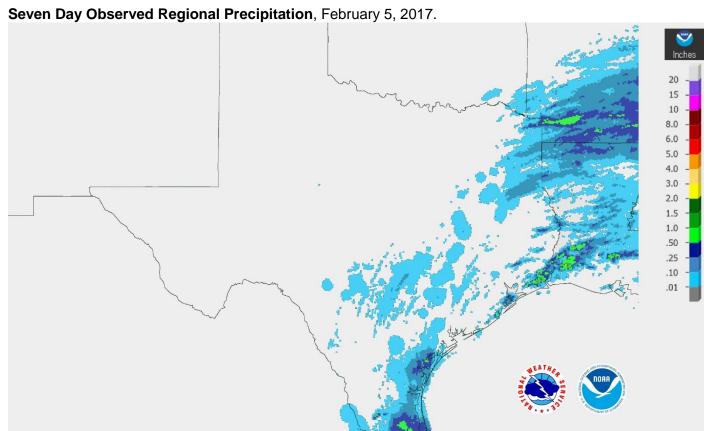
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The formula for the condition index is I = (5V + 25P + 60F + 90G + 110E)/100 where I = crop condition index and V, P, F, G, E = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

## Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District

	Topsoil Moisture Condition by District				Subsoil Moisture Condition by District				Days Suitable	
District	Percentage of Acreage				Percentage of Acreage					
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Fieldwork	
11	3	10	86	1	4	13	82	1	6.0	
12	6	54	39	1	0	55	44	1	7.0	
21	2	33	64	1	2	25	72	1	6.8	
22	0	16	81	3	0	17	77	6	6.1	
30	2	29	68	1	2	22	74	2	6.4	
40	5	30	61	4	1	18	77	4	6.6	
51	3	23	63	11	0	18	67	15	6.4	
52	2	15	77	6	1	9	83	7	6.3	
60	35	42	23	0	44	32	24	0	6.8	
70	5	29	63	3	3	22	73	2	6.7	
81	3	22	71	4	0	22	71	7	6.4	
82	8	31	61	0	6	33	58	3	6.2	
90	0	11	76	13	1	27	61	11	7.0	
96	19	34	46	1	20	34	45	1	6.8	
97	4	73	23	0	4	73	23	0	4.5	
State	4	29	64	3	3	27	67	3	6.4	

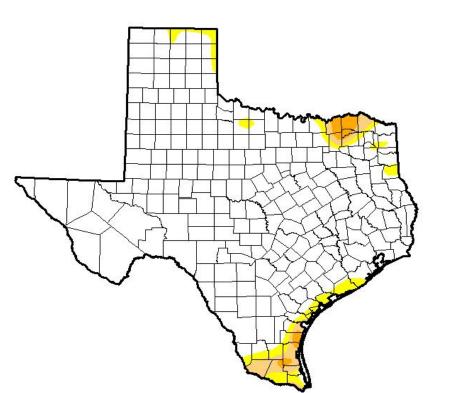






Source: National Weather Service, www.nws.noaa.gov

## **Drought Monitor, Valid January 31, 2017.**



#### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4			
Сиггепт	92.34	7.66	3.40	1.08	0.01	0.00			
Last Week 1/24/2017	92.24	7.76	3.19	1.08	0.01	0.00			
3 Month's Ago 11/1/2016	59.55	40.45	14.87	6,50	0.00	0.00			
Start of Calendar Year 1/3/2017	81.50	18.50	6.29	1.97	0.04	0.00			
Start of Water Year 9/27/2016	94.83	5.17	0.62	0.00	0.00	0.00			
One Year Ago 2/2/2016	97.66	2.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			

<u>Intensity:</u>

D0 Abnom ally Dry

D1 Moderate Drought

D2 Severe Drought

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

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