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Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Average temperatures increased from the previous week across most of the state. Rainfall ranged from 0.5 to 1.5 inches in East Texas and the Upper Coast, with isolated areas receiving upwards of 3.0 inches. Most of the rest of the state recorded no precipitations up to trace amounts. There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grain: Small grains crops suffered from a lack of precipitation in some areas of the Cross Timbers, the Blacklands and South Texas. Even with the dry conditions, producers in the Blacklands and South Texas continued re-seeding wheat.

Row Crops: Cotton harvest continued in the Plains, the Cross Timbers, the Blacklands, North East Texas, the Trans-Pecos and the Edwards Plateau. Some areas in the Plains had freezing temperatures, which affected the progress of cotton.

Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops: Pecan harvest was in full swing in South Texas, South Central Texas, the Trans-Pecos, and the Cross Timbers. A few pecans were starting to come off in the Southern High Plains.

Livestock, Range and Pasture: Livestock condition remained mostly good across the state. However producers in the Cross Timbers, South Texas, the Coastal Bend, North East Texas, the Lower Valley and the Northern High Plains were feeding supplemental hay and protein. Pasture and range condition remained good to fair, but the dry weather had a negative effect on conditions in areas of South Central Texas and the Coastal Bend. Armyworms continued to be a problem in the Blacklands and South Texas.

Crop Progress

Chana		Percent of Acreage						
Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average				
Corn								
Harvested	92	88	94	93				
Cotton								
Bolls Opening	93	90	96	95				
Harvested	44	37	38	44				
Peanuts								
Harvested	60	45	64	74				
Sorghum								
Harvested	84	82	83	82				
Soybeans								
Harvested	92	89	84	82				
Sunflowers								
Harvested	80	73	80	80				
Winter Wheat								
Planted	85	79	84	83				
Emerged	69	60	69	67				
Oats								
Planted	94	90	84	85				
Emerged	69	64	55	57				

Crop Condition

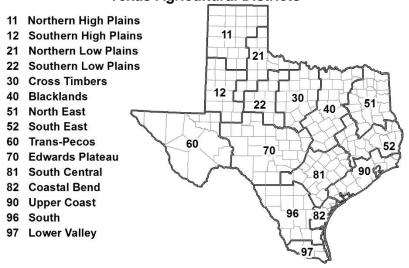
Crop		Po	Index ¹				
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2017	2016
Corn	22	57	18	3	0	87	73
Cotton	15	31	26	8	20	63	68
Peanuts	3	62	34	1	0	80	79
Sorghum	16	62	18	3	1	85	76
Soybeans	17	43	28	8	4	76	68
Wheat	13	36	37	11	3	72	67
Oats	4	20	41	22	13	53	(NA)
Range and Pasture	3	28	42	20	7		

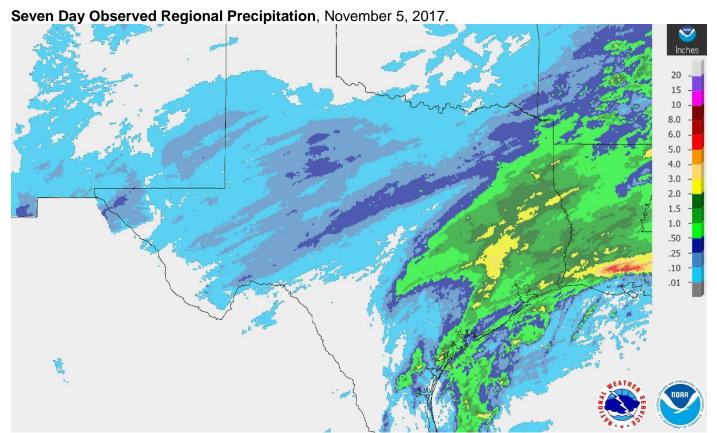
(NA) Not available. 1 The formula for the condition index is I = (5V + 25P + 60F + 90G + 110E)/100 where I = crop condition index and V, P, F, G, E = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

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	0	37	63	0	0	22	78	0	6.9
12	10	69	19	2	17	62	19	2	6.1
21	2	40	58	0	2	27	71	0	6.8
22	15	63	22	0	6	39	55	0	6.4
30	8	51	41	0	7	41	52	0	6.0
40	14	47	38	1	14	40	41	5	6.7
51	12	55	33	0	19	57	24	0	6.6
52	2	16	76	6	0	18	77	5	5.8
60	32	16	52	0	32	15	52	1	6.8
70	8	49	43	0	6	28	66	0	6.8
81	3	60	36	1	10	41	48	1	6.4
82	34	47	19	0	54	20	26	0	7.0
90	4	34	55	7	4	34	50	12	6.6
96	18	57	25	0	18	49	33	0	6.2
97	51	47	2	0	62	38	0	0	7.0
State	10	49	40	1	12	38	48	2	6.6

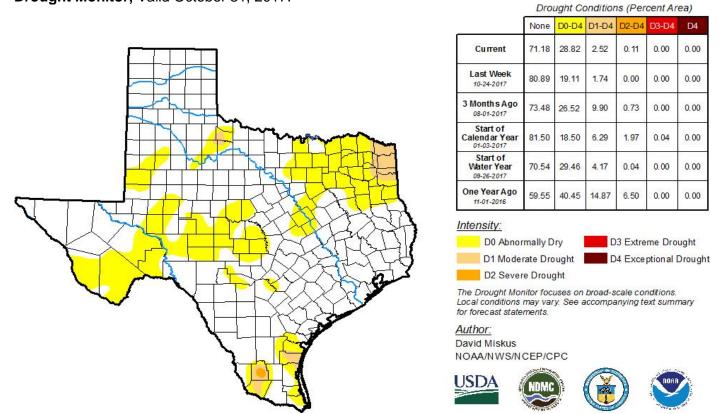
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Source: National Weather Service, www.nws.noaa.gov

Drought Monitor, Valid October 31, 2017.



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