



Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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WEEKLY SUMMARY FOR JANUARY 24-30

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Crop Condition							
Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2011	2010
Wheat	1	16	31	31	21	43	58
Oats	1	15	38	23	23	44	63
Range and Pasture	1	10	35	35	19	-	-

* 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.

Weekly Summary

East Texas, the Upper Coast, and the Coastal Bend received mostly up to 2 inches of rainfall while the rest of the state received little to no rainfall.

Crop Progress					
Crop	Stage	Percent of Acreage			
		Current	Prev Week	2010	5 Yr Avg
Winter Wheat	Emerged	96	95	98	96
Oats	Emerged	94	92	100	96
Pecans	Harvested	97	94	96	98

Visit our web site to view the crop progress regional maps, available at www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Texas/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/maps/.

Small Grains: Emerging dry-land winter wheat was in need of moisture in areas of the Plains and the Cross Timbers. Wheat in areas of the Blacklands, South Central Texas, and the Coastal Bend made good progress due to adequate sunshine and moisture. Irrigated winter wheat and oats in most areas of the state made good progress.

Row Crops: Cotton producers continued to prepare fields for spring cotton planting in areas of the Plains and the Trans-Pecos. Corn field preparation was active in parts of the Blacklands and the Trans-Pecos.

Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crop: Peach tree pruning took place in parts of North East Texas. Potato planting continued, spinach and cabbage harvest was active, and onions made good progress in South Texas. Winter vegetables progressed well in the Lower Valley.

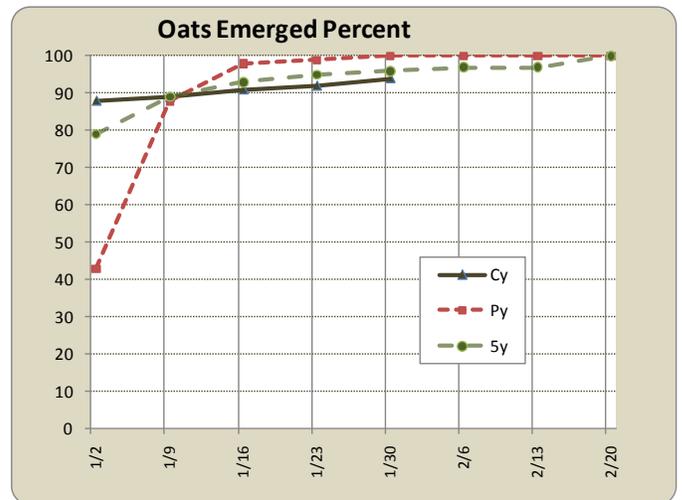
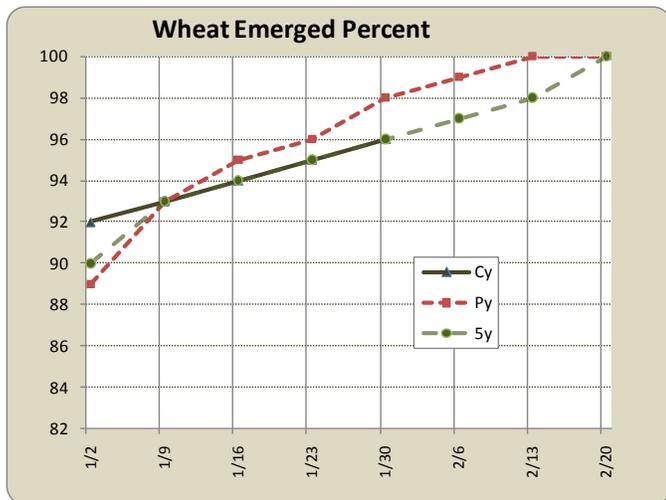
Livestock, Range and Pasture: Supplemental feeding of hay and protein to livestock took place across the state due to cold weather and depleted forages. Spring calving was active in the Blacklands and the eastern part of the state. Stock tank water levels remained low in areas of the Plains and South Texas; however, stock ponds continued to be replenished in the eastern part of the state due to adequate rainfall. Range and pastures continued to remain dry in the northern part of the state, however, winter forages made good progress in the southern and eastern part of the state due to recent rainfall and plentiful sunshine.

Texas Precipitation					
National Weather Service Climatic Divisions *	Inches of Accumulation **				Percent
	Previous Week Jan 24-30, 2011	Month-to-Date Jan 1-30, 2011	Year-to-Date Jan 1-30, 2011	Annual Normal 1971-2000	Normal Previous Three Months (Oct - Dec)
High Plains	0.00	0.04	0.04	19.64	89
Low Rolling Plains	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.51	70
North Central Texas	0.04	0.66	0.66	35.23	33
East Texas	0.30	1.29	1.29	48.08	37
Trans-Pecos	0.00	0.04	0.04	13.19	48
Edwards Plateau	0.00	0.38	0.38	24.73	24
South Central Texas	0.00	1.04	1.04	36.21	23
Upper Coast	0.44	1.76	1.76	50.31	31
South Texas	0.00	0.45	0.45	24.08	58
Lower Valley	0.00	0.25	0.25	25.43	72

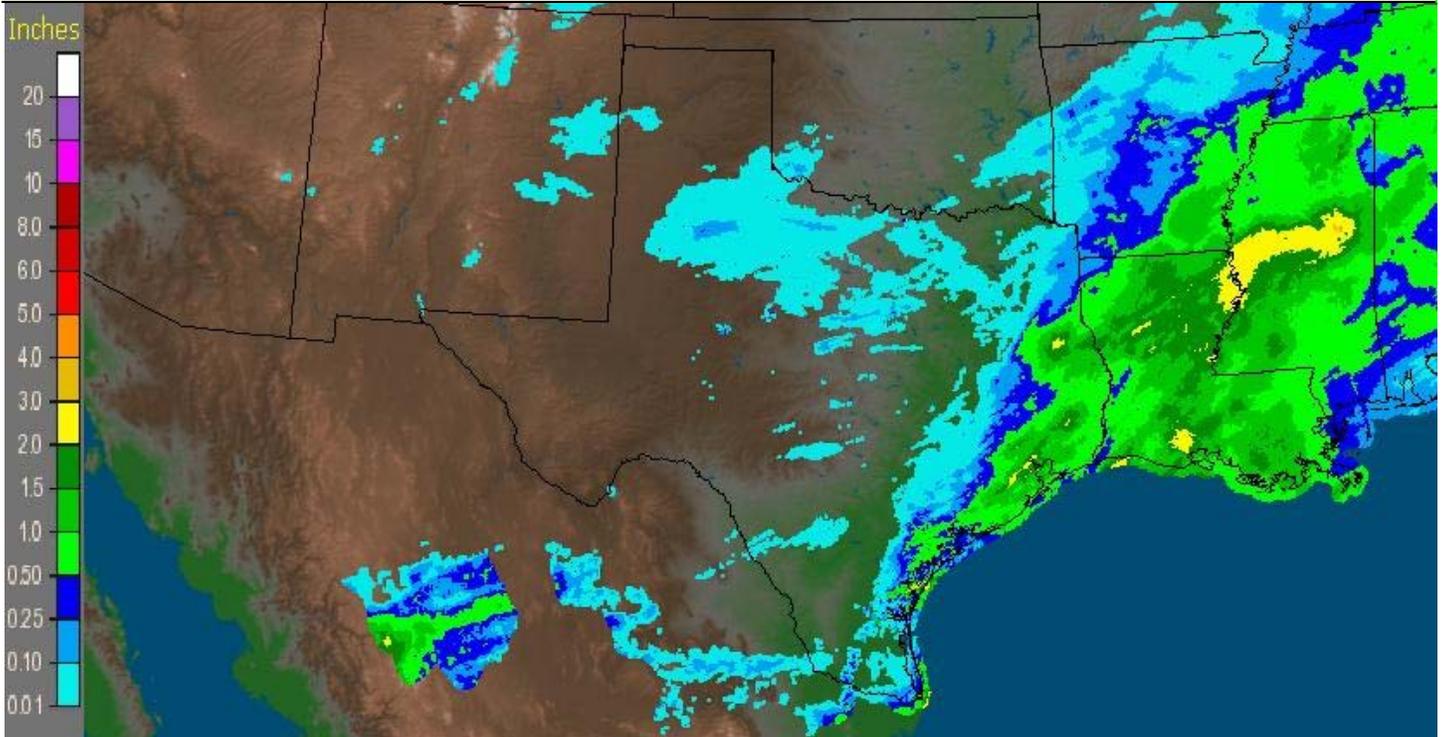
*High Plains: 1-N, 1-S; Low Rolling Plains: 2-N, 2-S; North Central Texas: 3, 4; East Texas: 5-N, 5-S. Trans-Pecos: 6; Edwards Plateau: 7; South Central Texas: 8-N, 8-S; Upper Coast: 9; South Texas: 10-N; Lower Valley: 10-S.

**Average of all stations reporting precipitation data. For more information, please visit the following web sites: water.weather.gov and www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html.

Top Soil Moisture by District																
Condition	Percent of Acreage															
	1-N	1-S	2-N	2-S	3	4	5-N	5-S	6	7	8-N	8-S	9	10-N	10-S	
Very Short	62	47	51	29	11	1	2	6	70	40	5	2	11	26	6	
Short	30	46	42	62	65	29	27	35	26	47	38	19	22	26	6	
Adequate	8	7	7	9	24	66	64	54	4	13	53	70	57	48	85	
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	4	7	5	0	0	4	9	10	0	3	



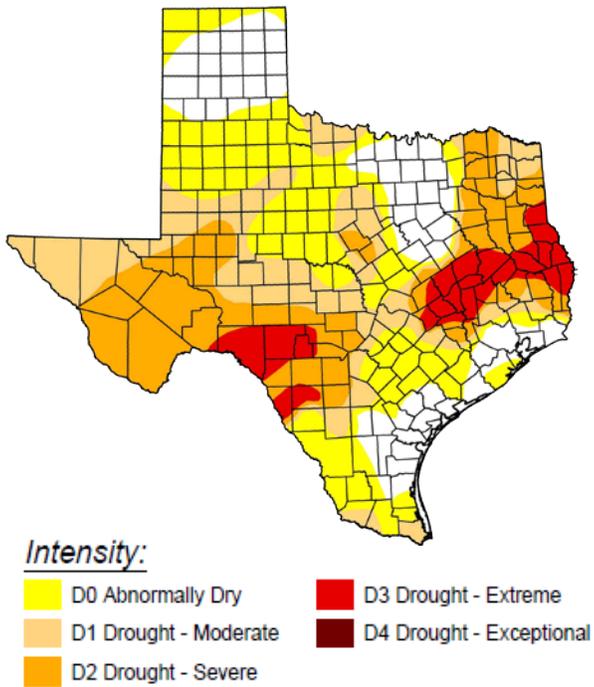
Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, January 30, 2011



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

Drought Monitor

As of 1/25/2011, 7:00 am EST



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

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