



# Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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**WEEKLY SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER 7 - 13**

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Crop Condition							
Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2011	2010
Corn	0	10	22	35	33	33	73
Cotton	0	12	25	25	38	34	77
Peanuts	0	19	34	24	23	45	86
Sorghum	2	20	35	27	16	49	75
Soybeans	0	1	11	28	60	18	67
Wheat	3	20	33	24	20	48	62
Oats	0	8	26	33	33	33	51
Range and Pasture	0	1	8	24	67	---	---

\* 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.

Texas Precipitation					
National Weather Service Climatic Divisions *	Inches of Accumulation **				Percent
	Previous Week (Nov 7 - 13, 2011)	Month-to-Date (Nov 1 - 13, 2011)	Year-to-Date (Jan 1 - Nov 13, 2011)	Annual Normal 1971-2000	Normal Previous Three Months (Aug - Oct)
High Plains	0.02	0.02	1.79	19.64	8
Low Rolling Plains	0.06	0.06	1.55	24.51	8
North Central Texas	0.06	0.07	5.46	35.23	11
East Texas	0.12	0.13	6.63	48.08	6
Trans-Pecos	0.00	0.00	0.60	13.19	5
Edwards Plateau	0.02	0.02	2.63	24.73	9
South Central Texas	0.01	0.01	3.03	36.21	4
Upper Coast	0.09	0.09	7.22	50.31	6
South Texas	0.02	0.02	1.92	24.08	6
Lower Valley	0.03	0.04	2.50	25.43	1

\*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](http://water.weather.gov) and [www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html](http://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	72	87	43	9	21	63	74	71	82	58	76	85	58	56	82
Short	28	6	39	72	46	28	25	29	17	34	23	15	22	38	15
Adequate	0	7	18	19	33	9	1	0	1	8	1	0	12	6	3
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0

### Weekly Summary

Areas of the Cross Timbers and South East Texas received up to 6 inches of rainfall, areas of the Northern Low Plains, North East Texas, and the Lower Valley received up to 2 inches of rainfall, while the rest of the state observed scattered showers.

**Small Grains:** In northern areas of the state, emerging winter wheat made good progress due to recent moisture. Some producers released grazing cattle on winter

small grain fields in areas of the Blacklands and the Edwards Plateau. In areas of South Texas, winter wheat and oats suffered due to lack of soil moisture.

**Row Crops:** Cotton harvest progressed well in areas of the High Plains due to dry open weather. Some cotton was in need of a killing freeze in areas of the Low Plains. Peanut harvest, in areas of the Southern Low Plains, was delayed due to recent rainfall. In areas of South Texas, peanut harvest and peanuts baled for hay continued.

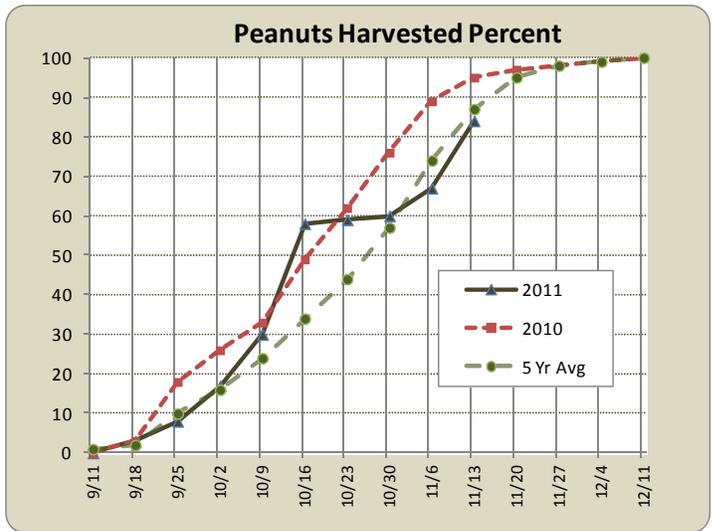
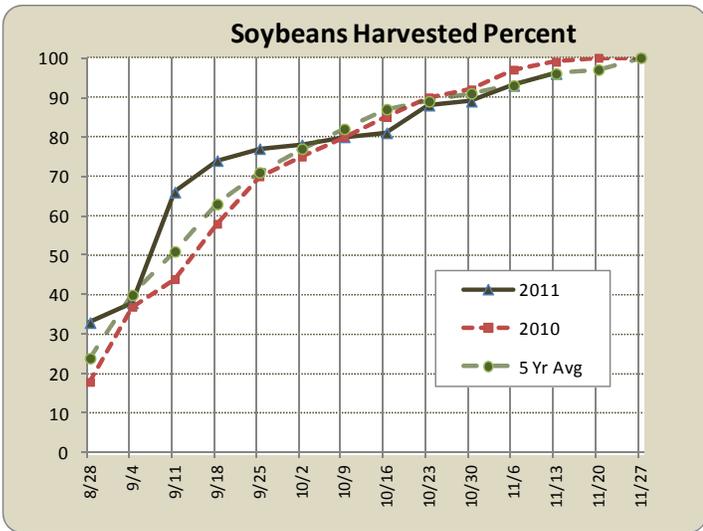
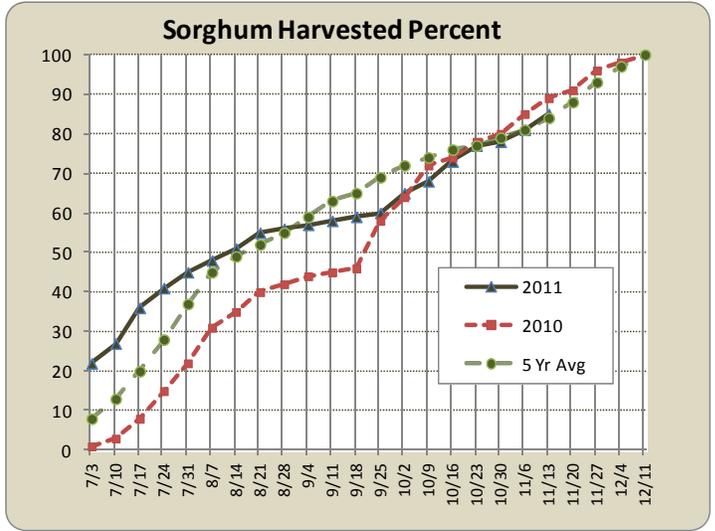
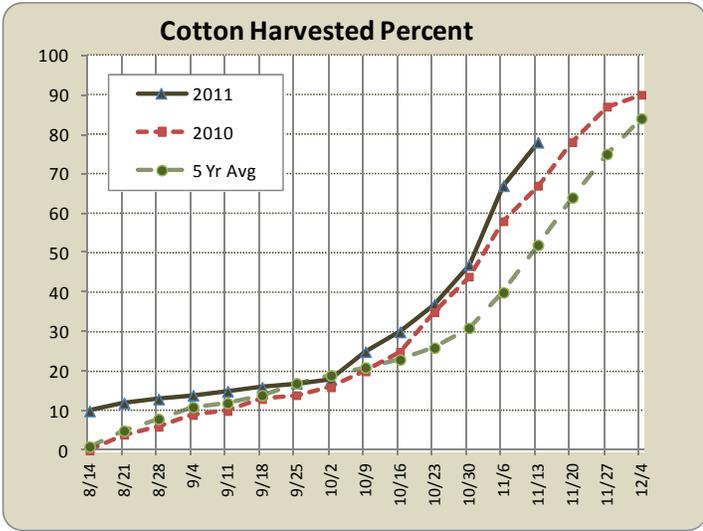
**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crop:** In areas of the Trans-Pecos, producers prepared to defoliate pecans due to a recent frost, while premature pecans continued to fall. Spinach and cabbage harvest progressed well due to cooler temperatures in southern areas of the state.

**Livestock, Range and Pasture:** Across the state, supplemental feeding of cattle continued. Cattle producers continued to cull or liquidate entire herds. Livestock producers continued to search for hay out of state. Producers

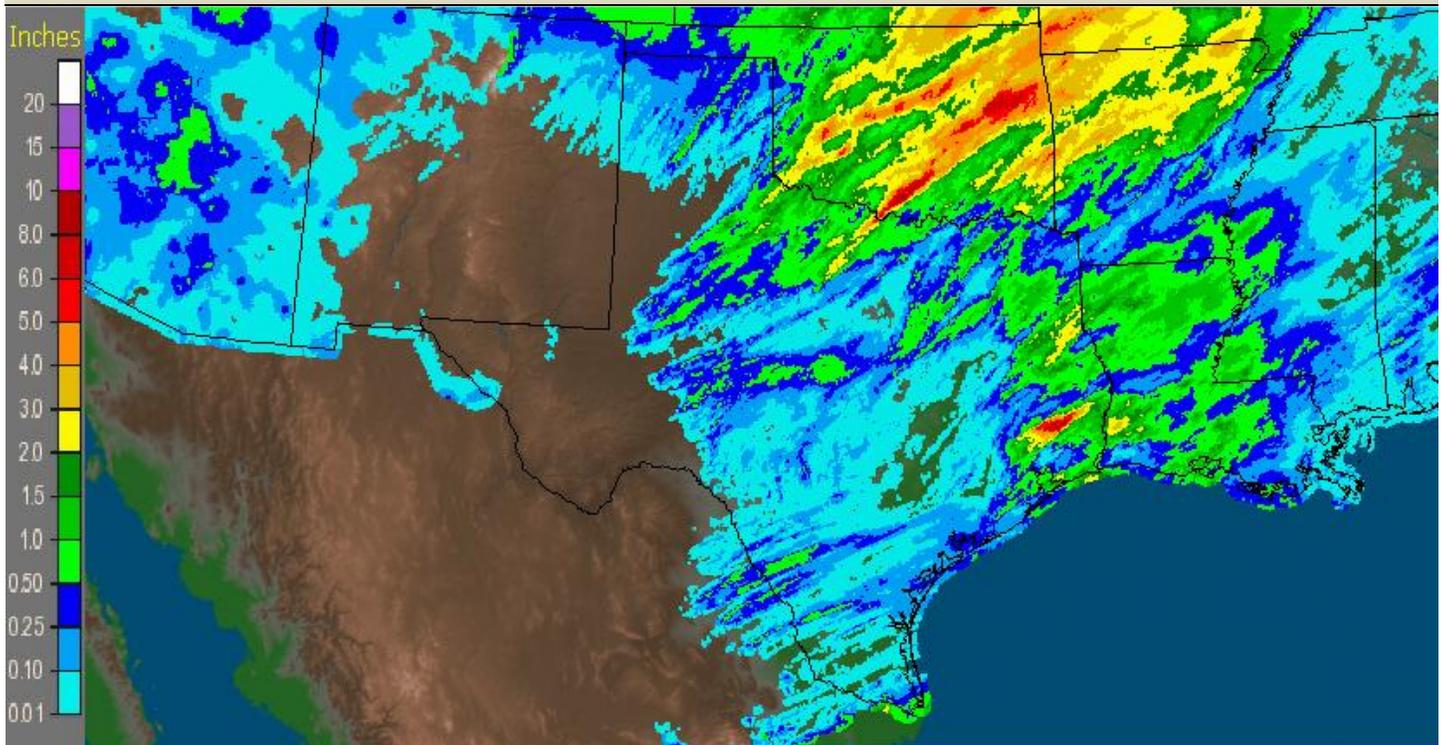
Crop Progress					
Crop	Stage	Percent of Acreage			
		Current	Prev Week	2010	5 Yr Avg
Corn	Harvested	100	98	97	97
Cotton	Bolls Opening	99	96	99	97
	Harvested	78	67	67	52
Oats	Planted	87	83	92	89
	Emerged	66	57	69	65
Peanuts	Harvested	84	67	95	87
Sorghum	Coloring	100	99	100	100
	Mature	95	92	100	97
	Harvested	85	81	89	84
Soybeans	Dropping Leaves	99	98	100	99
	Harvested	96	93	99	96
Sunflowers	Harvested	88	84	97	83
Winter Wheat	Planted	88	82	90	90
	Emerged	56	51	72	74

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/](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Texas/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/maps/).

hauled water to refill watering holes. Hay baling progressed well in areas of the Blacklands due to recent precipitation; however, it slowed in southern areas of the state due to dormant conditions. Cool season grasses made good progress in northern areas of the state due to recent rainfall. Pastures browned due to recent freezes in northern areas of the state.



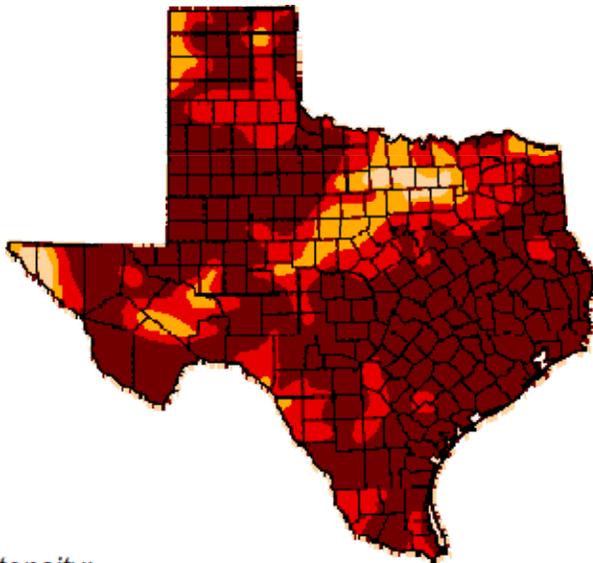
## Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, November 13, 2011



Source: National Weather Service, [www.nws.noaa.gov](http://www.nws.noaa.gov)

## Drought Monitor

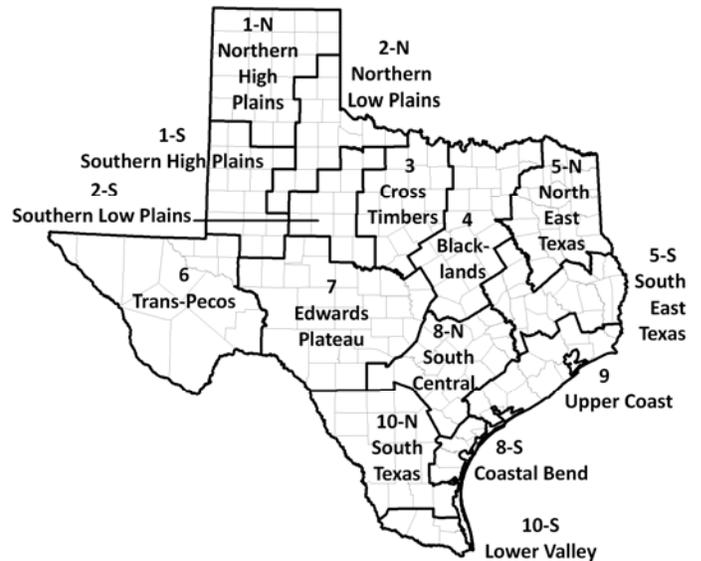
As of 11/8/2011, 7:00 am EST



### Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Drought - Moderate
- D2 Drought - Severe
- D3 Drought - Extreme
- D4 Drought - Exceptional

## Texas Agricultural Districts



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