



Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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WEEKLY SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER 21 - 27 ISSUE TX-CW4711 RELEASED NOVEMBER 28, 2011

Crop Condition							
Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2011	2010
Cotton	0	12	25	25	38	34	77
Wheat	4	21	35	24	16	51	61
Oats	3	14	30	23	30	41	42
Range and Pasture	0	3	13	28	56	--	--

* 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 21 - 27, 2011)	Month-to-Date (Nov 1 - 27, 2011)	Year-to-Date (Jan 1 - Nov 27, 2011)	Annual Normal 1971-2000	Normal Previous Three Months (Aug - Oct)
High Plains	0.02	0.04	1.81	19.64	8
Low Rolling Plains	0.07	0.13	1.62	24.51	8
North Central Texas	0.19	0.28	5.67	35.23	11
East Texas	0.29	0.57	7.07	48.08	6
Trans-Pecos	0.01	0.01	0.61	13.19	5
Edwards Plateau	0.07	0.17	2.78	24.73	9
South Central Texas	0.11	0.24	3.26	36.21	4
Upper Coast	0.19	0.30	7.43	50.31	6
South Texas	0.00	0.08	1.98	24.08	6
Lower Valley	0.02	0.06	2.52	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 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	54	79	40	50	18	39	33	36	84	51	45	92	46	49	85
Short	40	8	40	50	51	31	40	39	15	35	39	8	30	46	15
Adequate	6	12	18	0	31	27	27	25	1	14	16	0	15	5	0
Surplus	0	1	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0

Weekly Summary

Areas of South East Texas, the Blacklands, and the Upper Coast received up to 4 inches of rainfall, areas of South Central Texas received up to 2 inches of rainfall, while the rest of the state observed little to no rainfall.

Small Grains: Irrigation was active on winter wheat for stocker cattle in

areas of the Northern High Plains. In areas of the Southern High Plains, producers continued to prepare land and plant winter wheat and oats. Winter wheat continued to make good progress in northeastern and southern areas of the state due to recent rain showers brought by several cold fronts.

Row Crops: Cotton harvest was delayed in areas of the Northern Plains due to windy conditions. Peanut harvest was winding down in southern areas of the state. Cotton harvest was active in areas of the Low Plains; however, yields concerned producers. The cotton harvest season was short due to drought conditions in areas of the Edwards Plateau.

Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crop: Pecan harvest was active in areas of the Plains; however, the crop showed signs of stress. Cabbage and spinach harvest continued to make good progress in areas of South Texas due to dry open weather. Onions progressed well in southern areas of the state.

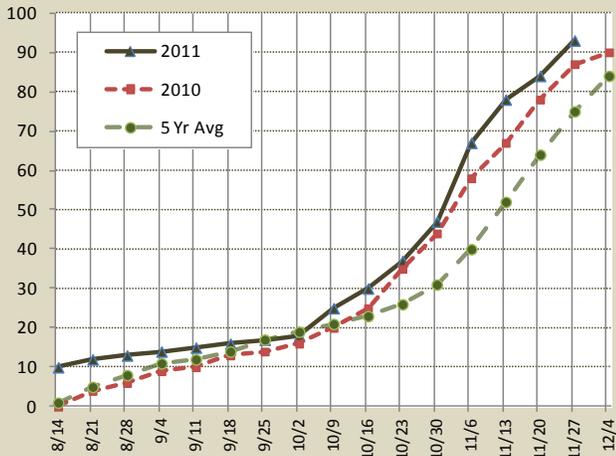
Livestock, Range and Pasture: Across the state, hay continued to be purchased out of state and livestock continued to be supplemented with hay and protein. Livestock culling was active in southern areas of the state due to lack of forages. Winter forages progressed well in eastern areas of the state due to recent moisture. Cool season grasses progressed well in northern and eastern areas of the state due to recent rainfall; however, more moisture was

Crop Progress					
Crop	Stage	Percent of Acreage			
		Current	Prev Week	2010	5 Yr Avg
Cotton	Harvested	93	82	87	75
Oats	Planted	93	88	96	94
	Emerged	85	67	81	79
Peanuts	Harvested	97	91	98	98
Sorghum	Mature	99	98	100	99
	Harvested	93	89	96	93
Soybeans	Harvested	98	97	100	99
Sunflowers	Harvested	90	89	99	89
Winter Wheat	Planted	94	91	95	96
	Emerged	74	63	82	82

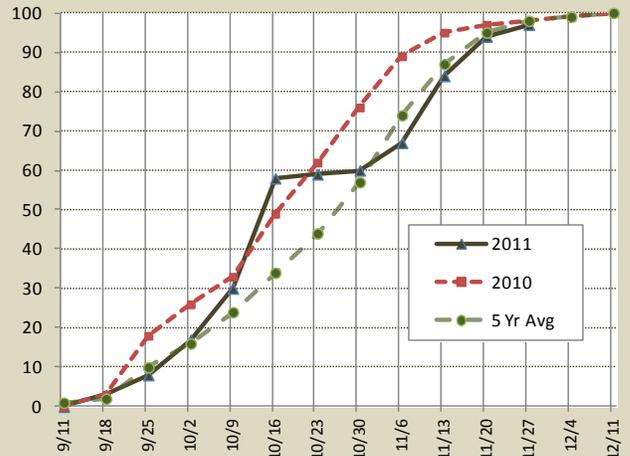
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needed. In central and eastern areas of the state, stock tanks were replenished due to earlier rainfall but some remained at low levels.

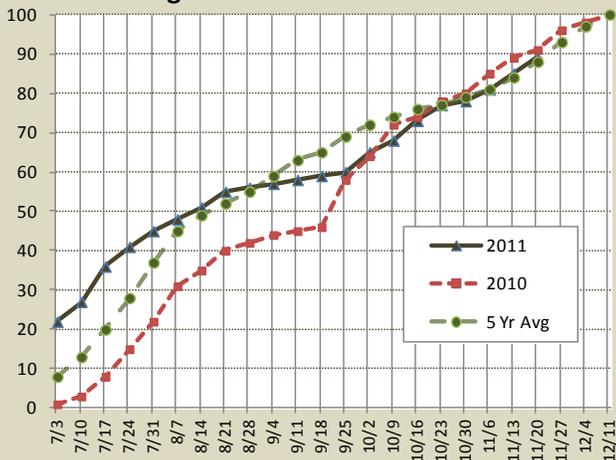
Cotton Harvested Percent



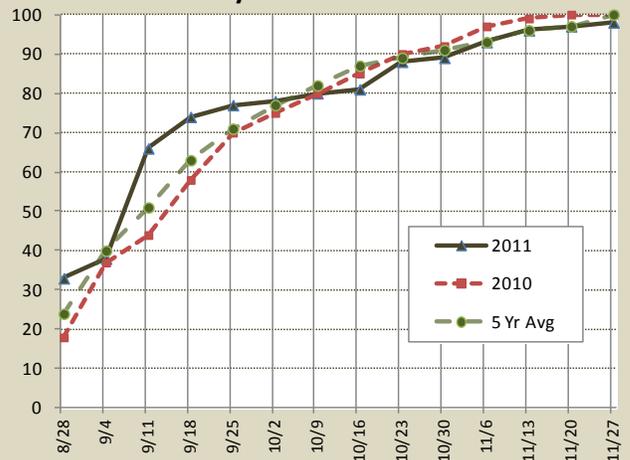
Peanuts Harvested Percent



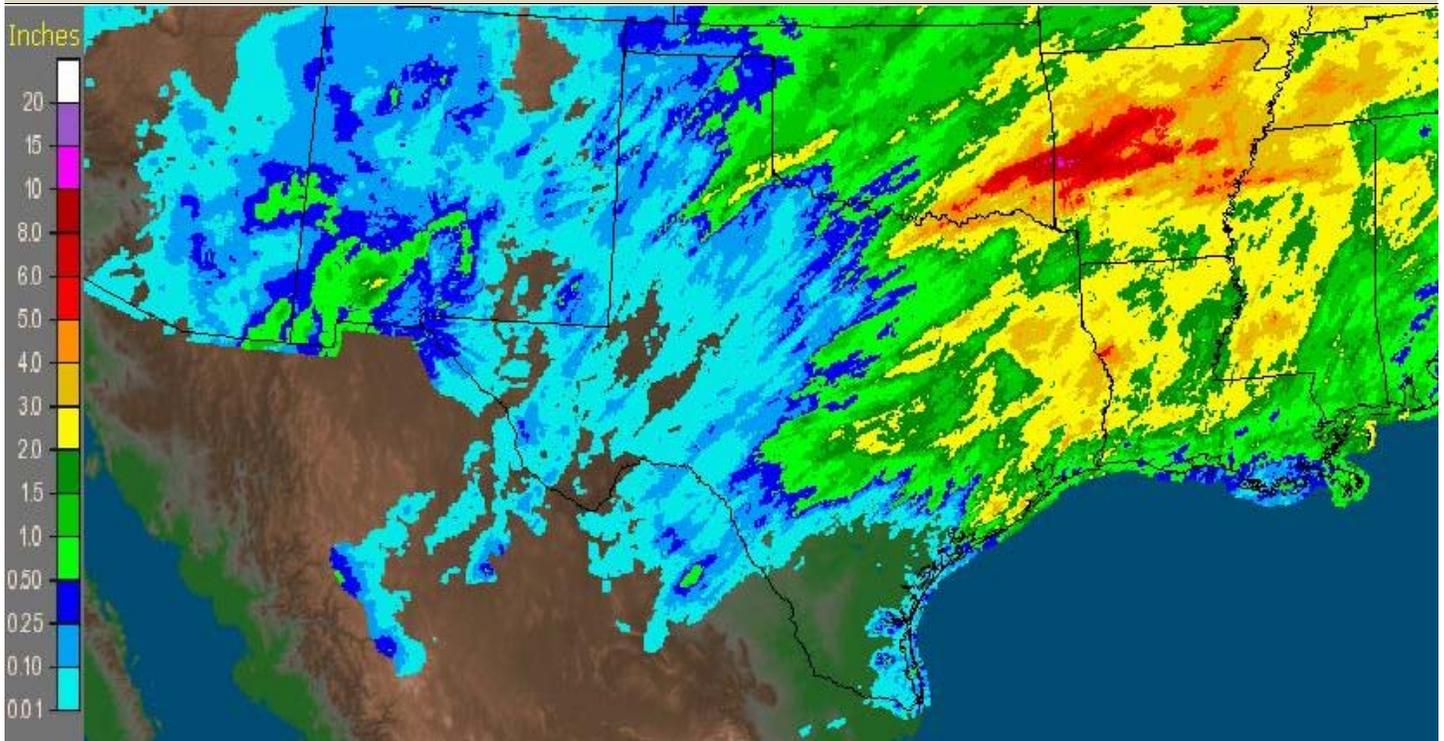
Sorghum Harvested Percent



Soybeans Harvested Percent



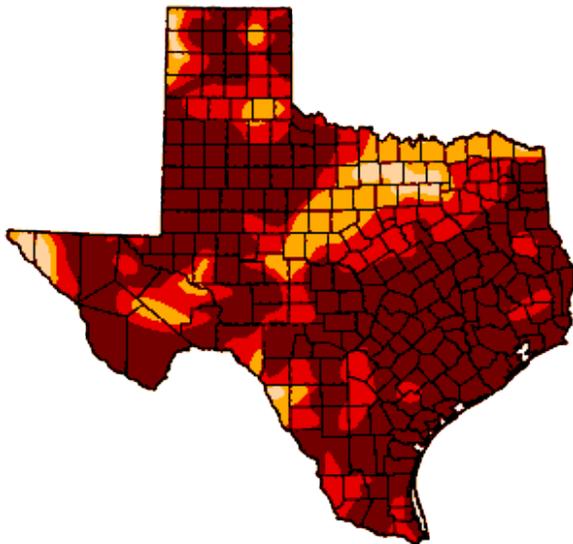
Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, November 27, 2011



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

Drought Monitor

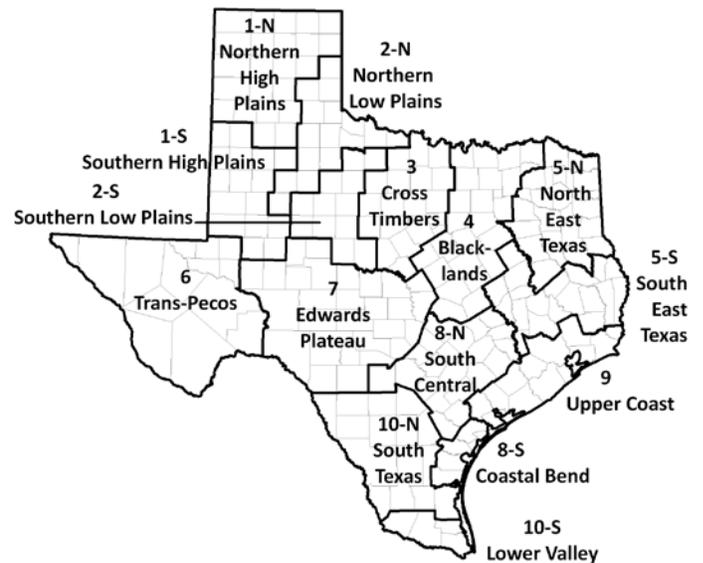
As of 11/22/2011, 7:00 am EST



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.