

NORTH DAKOTA CROP, LIVESTOCK & WEATHER REPORT



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General: Snowfall and record setting cold temperatures across much of the state last week shut down most fieldwork, according to the North Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service. A small amount of corn and sunflower harvest, fall tillage and anhydrous ammonia application occurred early in the week in some areas of the state before being stopped by snow and cold temperatures. A statewide average of 1.8 days were suitable for fieldwork. Statewide average topsoil moisture supplies were rated 28 percent very short, 42 short, 30 adequate and 0 surplus compared to 14 percent very short, 28 short, 55 adequate and 3 surplus last year.

Crops: Corn and sunflower harvest neared completion despite adverse weather last week. As of November 9, 98 percent of the corn crop had been harvested, ahead of 83 percent last year and the average of 89 percent. Ninety-eight percent of the sunflower crop had been harvested, ahead of 73 percent last year and the average of 86 percent.

Livestock: Snow and cold temperatures last week forced many producers to begin feeding supplemental hay to cattle. Stockwater supplies were rated 22 percent very short, 31 short, 47 adequate and 0 surplus compared to 20 percent very short, 22 short, 57 adequate and 1 surplus as of November 3, 2002.

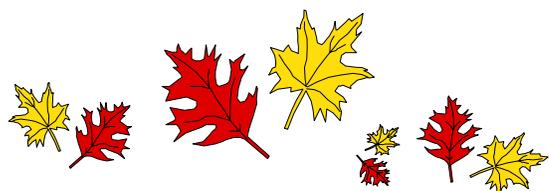


This is the last weekly Crop, Livestock and Weather Report for this season. The monthly reports will start January 5 and the first Monday of each month in February and March. The weekly reports will start again in April.

These reports are made possible by the efforts of the North Dakota County Extension Agents, Farm Service Agency County Directors and the staff at NDSU Department of Soil Science (NDAWN). Our thanks goes out to these people who have provided the information throughout the season. Also thank you to those at the UND Aerospace Regional Weather Information Center at Grand Forks. It is by the excellent cooperation from all sources that allowed for a very successful season of Crop, Livestock and Weather reports.

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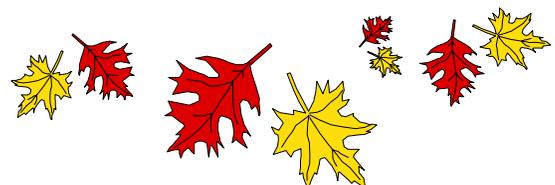
Doug Hartwig, State Statistician



From All of Us

to All of You,

Happy Thanksgiving



Crop Development Progress ^{1/}
November 9, 2003 with Comparisons

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	1998-02 Avg.
(Percent)				
CORN				
Harvested for Grain	98	95	83	89
SUNFLOWER				
Harvested	98	96	73	86

^{1/} Crop development percents represent all acreage in or beyond each stage. NA= Not Available

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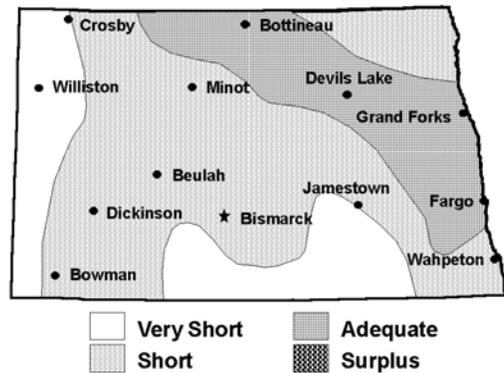
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Soil Moisture: North Dakota, November 9, 2003

Date	V. Short	Short	Adq.	Surplus
(Percent)				
TOPSOIL				
This Week	28	42	30	0
Last Week	27	42	31	0
Last Year	14	28	55	3
SUBSOIL				
This Week	32	43	25	0
Last Week	34	43	23	0
Last Year	19	29	49	3

**Topsoil Moisture Supplies
 November 9, 2003**



Weather: The current weather pattern is keeping temperatures below average for this time of year producing record setting lows as well as record low daily maximum temperatures. Maximum highs for the week ranged from 19 degrees in Mohall to 27 degrees in Cavalier. The lowest overnight temperatures ranged from 18 degrees below in Bottineau to 2 degrees above in Fargo.

Outlook, November 10-16: Temperatures will remain below normal this week with highs ranging from low to mid-20s to the low to mid-30s. Expect to see warmer temperatures in the south and cooler temperatures in the north. Overnight lows will range from 5 to 10 degrees in the north to 20 to 25 degrees in the south. A chance for precipitation exists Tuesday night for the northwest and central portions of the state into Wednesday for much of the state except the southwest and south central part.

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
 North Dakota, Week ending November 9, 2003**

Stations by District	Temperature Past Week		Seasonal Precipitation Beginning March 29		
	High	Low	Past Week	Total	Depart Normal ^{1/}
	(Degrees F)		(Inches)		
(1) Bowbells	26	-15			
Williston	21	-6			
Mohall	19	-12			
Minot	20	-9			
(2) Baker	22	-9			
Bottineau	24	-18			
Towner	NA	NA			
(3) Cando	24	-14			
Cavalier	27	-11			
Forest River	24	-10			
Grand Forks	26	-11			
Langdon	24	-10			
St. Thomas	24	-9			
(4) Hazen	24	-6			
Turtle Lake	22	-4			
Watford City	22	-8			
(5) Carrington	25	-9			^{2/} NOT AVAILABLE
Harvey	26	-8			
Jamestown	22	-4			
Robinson	24	-5			
Streeter	23	-4			
(6) Dazey	23	-7			
Fargo	26	2			
Hillsboro	26	-10			
(7) Beach	24	-2			
Bowman	25	-5			
Dickinson	23	-5			
Hettinger	24	-8			
(8) Mandan	25	-2			
Linton	22	-1			
(9) Edgeley	23	-2			
Oakes	26	0			
Wyndmere	26	-5			

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
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District Averages	Average Temperature		Seasonal Precipitation Beginning March 29		
	Past Week	Depart Normal ^{1/}	Past Week	Total	Depart Normal ^{1/}
	(Degrees F)		(Inches)		
Northwest (1)	6	-32			
N. Central (2)	5	-31			
Northeast (3)	7	-31			
W. Central (4)	8	-31			
Central (5)	9	-29			^{2/} NOT AVAILABLE
E. Central (6)	10	-29			
Southwest (7)	9	-30			
S. Central (8)	11	-28			
Southeast (9)	11	-28			

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