



Wet Conditions Continue to Delay Wheat Harvest

June 15 - Wheat harvest resumed as conditions allowed after recent storms and began to gain momentum in the Northern parts of the State. However, thunderstorms throughout the week again delayed harvest in many areas. Wheat is now ripe across most of the State which has led to a shortage of custom harvesters in some areas. Rains during the week were mostly scattered. Every Mesonet station in Oklahoma received rainfall ranging from Hobart with 5.84 inches to Copan with 0.04 inch. Soil moisture supplies continued to respond favorably to the recent moisture and were rated as adequate Statewide. Farmers had 3.3 days suitable for fieldwork during the week.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	2	8	78	12
Last Week	2	14	73	11
Last Year	7	10	66	17

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	6	23	67	4
Last Week	5	30	61	4
Last Year	13	20	59	8

Small Grains: Winter wheat harvest advanced an additional 19 percentage points from last week to 39 percent complete. Scattered rains throughout the week stopped or slowed wheat cutting. Excessive rain has caused some farmers to be concerned about wheat sprouting in heads. Harvest ranged from 70 percent complete in the Southwest district to 6 percent harvested in the Panhandle district. Oat and rye conditions were both rated as mostly fair to good. Oat harvest was 22 percent complete, behind the five year average of 40 percent. Crop insect activity was reported as none to moderate across the State.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 15, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
This Week	3	8	26	47	16
Last Week	5	8	25	47	15
Last Year	24	15	32	27	2
Rye					
This Week	1	10	38	48	3
Oats					
This Week	2	10	45	38	5

Row Crops: Growth and development for row crops advanced during the week, but more moisture is needed for many of the row crops. Corn silking advanced an additional 3 percentage points from last week to 8 percent complete. Sorghum planting was 48 percent complete, ranging from 74 percent in the North Central district to 32 percent planted in the Panhandle district. Soybean planting was 66 percent complete, ranging from 89 percent in the Central district to 56 percent planted in the Northeast district. Peanuts advanced in the pegging stage and gained an additional 26 percentage points from last week and totaled 29 percent.

ROW CROPS CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 15, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	1	6	31	62
Soybeans	0	1	20	63	16
Peanuts	0	4	20	63	13
Cotton	1	8	31	58	2

Hay: Alfalfa and other hay conditions both were rated mostly fair to good. As of Sunday, 57 percent of the Alfalfa hay had been cut for the second time, ahead of the five year average of 50 percent. Other hay first cutting was at 64 percent cut.

HAY CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 15, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	0	3	21	62	14
Other Hay	2	7	33	50	8

Pasture: Pasture and range conditions were rated mostly fair to good. Some producers began to treat pastures where large amounts of grasshopper activity was present.

Livestock: Livestock conditions were rated mostly fair to good. Livestock insect activities were rated as light to moderate. Cattle auctions reported average marketings for the week. The price for feeder steers less than 800 pounds increased nearly a dollar per cwt. from last week and averaged \$88.39 per cwt. The average price for feeder heifers less than 800 pounds decreased slightly more than a dollar per cwt. from last week and averaged \$82.78 per cwt.

LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 15, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	3	20	60	17
Pasture & Range	1	10	26	51	12

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OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS

Week Ending June 15, 2003

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr. Avg.	Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr. Avg.
Wheat -					Peanuts -				
Harvested	39	20	39	54	Emerged	99	95	93	90
Oats -					Pegging	29	3	3	7
Headed	98	96	96	99	Cotton -				
Soft Dough	89	77	87	94	Planted	95	88	92	95
Harvested	22	9	32	40	Emerged	91	79	88	83
Corn -					Squaring	12	n/a	1	3
Silking	8	5	9	8	Alfalfa -				
Sorghum -					2 nd Cutting	57	38	44	50
Seedbed Prepared	81	79	86	94	Other Hay -				
Planted	48	43	55	62	1 st Cutting	64	57	65	65
Emerged	37	34	46	44	Watermelons -				
Soybeans -					Running	83	72	75	77
Seedbed Prepared	89	87	91	96	Setting Fruit	35	19	37	27
Planted	66	62	75	73					
Emerged	58	55	67	58					

WEATHER FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 15, 2003 - Temperatures ranged from 51 degrees at Cookson and Nowata on Monday, June 9th and at Kenton on Thursday, June 12th to 101 degrees at Hollis on Wednesday, June 11th. Precipitation averaged 0.51 in. North Central district to 2.03 in. Southwest district. Soil temperatures averaged 68 degrees at Burbank and Medford on Monday, June 9th to 84 degrees at Tipton on Wednesday, June 11th.

MESONET TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA

Week Ending June 15, 2003

Districts	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	This Week	March 1, 2003 to June 15, 2003		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
Degrees			Inches				
Panhandle	84	59	71	0.89	7.51	- 0.81	90
West Central	85	62	73	1.55	8.92	- 2.91	75
Southwest	88	64	75	2.03	10.03	- 1.95	84
North Central	86	61	74	0.51	11.13	- 1.20	90
Central	86	63	74	1.59	10.90	- 3.79	74
South Central	86	64	74	1.74	10.18	- 5.05	67
Northeast	84	63	74	1.08	13.78	- 1.68	89
East Central	85	63	73	1.45	12.46	- 4.28	74
Southeast	85	63	74	1.46	10.49	- 7.19	59