



Wheat Harvest Passes the Halfway Point

June 22 - Winter wheat harvest made favorable progress last week as producers took advantage of drier conditions. At week's end, wheat harvest was running 4 percentage points behind the five-year average, due to the recent untimely wet conditions. Rainfall this past week varied across most of the State with only a few Mesonet stations receiving less than a tenth of an inch of rain. The Panhandle district received the most precipitation with 1.17 inches while the East Central district received the least with 0.13 inches. Statewide, soil moisture supplies remained steady from the previous week and were rated as mostly adequate. Farmers had 4.6 days suitable for fieldwork during the week.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	1	13	77	9
Last Week	2	8	78	12
Last Year	9	21	67	3

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	3	25	67	5
Last Week	6	23	67	4
Last Year	17	26	53	4

Small Grains: The wheat crop continued to be rated as mostly fair to excellent. Producers in the North Central district are harvesting some of their best wheat ever. Winter wheat harvest advanced an additional 33 percentage points from last week to 72 percent complete. Producers finally received some good harvest weather and took full advantage of the dry conditions. However, isolated showers during the latter part of the week did delay wheat harvest in some areas. Harvest ranged from 86 percent in the Southwest district to 24 percent harvested in the Panhandle district. Oat and rye conditions were both rated as fair to good. Oat harvest was 45 percent complete. Crop insect activity was reported as none to moderate across the State.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 22, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
This Week	5	9	22	43	21
Last Week	3	8	26	47	16
Last Year	21	17	29	29	4
Rye					
This Week	3	9	26	50	12
Oats					
This Week	4	10	40	39	7

Row Crops: Planting of row crops advanced last week in many areas. Corn silking advanced an additional 16 percentage points from last week to 24 percent complete.

Sorghum planting was 59 percent complete, ranging from 77 percent in the North Central district to 45 percent planted in the Panhandle district. Soybean planting was 77 percent complete, ranging from 76 percent in the Northeast district to 71 percent planted in the North Central district. Peanut pegging gained an additional 15 percentage points from last week and totaled 44 percent. Kiowa County reported late planted cotton has suffered due to wet and cool conditions. At week's end, cotton was squaring in scattered areas and totaled 20 percent

ROW CROPS CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 22, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	0	14	35	51
Sorghum	0	1	25	72	2
Soybeans	0	0	35	50	15
Peanuts	0	4	20	57	19
Cotton	8	14	35	42	1

Hay: Alfalfa and other hay conditions both were rated as mostly fair to good. The second cutting of Alfalfa made good progress with an additional 15 percent cut. At week's end, 72 percent had been cut for the second time, ahead of the five year average of 66 percent. Other hay first cutting was at 67 percent cut.

HAY CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 22, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	1	4	22	58	15
Other Hay	1	6	30	53	10

Pasture: Pasture and range conditions were rated as mostly fair to good. Grasshopper infestations increased during the week and were damaging grasses in some areas, mostly southern Oklahoma.

Livestock: Livestock conditions were rated as mostly fair to excellent. Livestock insect activities were rated as light to moderate. Cattle auctions reported an average increase in marketings for the week. The price for feeder steers less than 800 pounds increased from last week and averaged \$88.47 per cwt. The average price for feeder heifers less than 800 pounds also increased from last week and averaged \$83.12 per cwt.

LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 22, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	2	18	63	17
Pasture & Range	0	7	25	54	14

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OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS

Week Ending June 22, 2003

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr. Avg.	Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr. Avg.
Wheat -					Peanuts -				
Harvested	72	39	74	76	Pegging	44	29	20	14
Oats -					Cotton -				
Soft Dough	93	89	95	98	Planted	98	95	95	98
Harvested	45	22	52	64	Emerged	95	91	94	90
Corn -					Squaring	20	12	20	11
Silking	24	8	27	16	Alfalfa -				
Sorghum -					2 nd Cutting	72	57	67	66
Seedbed Prepared	85	81	89	96	Other Hay -				
Planted	59	48	64	75	1 st Cutting	67	64	72	72
Emerged	46	37	58	58	Watermelons -				
Soybeans -					Running	98	83	80	87
Seedbed Prepared	90	89	94	97	Setting Fruit	66	35	53	45
Planted	77	66	81	80					
Emerged	73	58	77	67					

WEATHER FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 22, 2003 - Temperatures ranged from 54 degrees at Boise City on Sunday, June 22nd to 99 degrees at Hollis on Sunday, June 22nd. Precipitation averaged 0.13 in. East Central district to 1.17 in. Panhandle district. Soil temperatures averaged 68 degrees at Kenton and Woodward on Saturday, June 21st to 89 degrees at Waurika on Sunday, June 22nd.

MESONET TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA

Week Ending June 22, 2003

Districts	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	This Week	March 1, 2003 to June 22, 2003		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
Degrees			Inches				
Panhandle	84	62	72	1.17	8.64	- 0.36	96
West Central	86	64	75	0.97	9.81	- 2.92	77
Southwest	89	65	77	0.88	10.87	- 2.08	84
North Central	87	65	76	0.49	11.56	- 1.69	87
Central	88	65	76	0.46	11.32	- 4.43	72
South Central	87	66	76	0.36	10.68	- 5.63	65
Northeast	86	65	75	0.32	14.08	- 2.46	85
East Central	85	66	75	0.13	12.63	- 5.24	71
Southeast	85	66	74	1.06	11.58	- 7.20	62