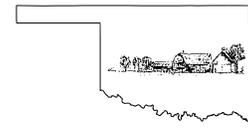


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## Erratic Weather Brings Some of the Much Needed Moisture

**January 31** - Temperatures during January were mixed, ranging from warm mild temperatures to bitter cold. Some rainfall and snow has helped with the soil moisture. There are many areas that still need more rain. The moisture has helped to improve small grains but the cold weather has limited growth.

### TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
16	28	52	4

### SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
24	33	42	1

**Small Grains:** Wheat, rye, and oat conditions were rated as mostly good to fair. All crop conditions are down compared to last year. Winter wheat being grazed was at 46 percent, lower than last year's 58 percent but above the five year average of 38 percent. The winter wheat condition was 6 percent excellent, 34 percent good, 30 percent fair, 18 percent poor and 12 percent very poor. During January 2003, the wheat condition was 16 percent excellent, 54 percent good, 25 percent fair, 4 percent poor, and 1 percent very poor. Rye grazing was at 69 percent, down from last year's 82 percent. The five year average was 36 percent. Rye condition was 5 percent excellent, 41 percent good, 29 percent fair, 15 percent poor and 10 percent very poor. Oats grazing was also down from last year and the five year average. Oat condition was 3 percent excellent, 17 percent good, 37 percent fair, 26 percent poor and 17 percent very poor. The dry conditions and the cold weather have reduced the acres of small grain pasture being grazed. There was some spraying for worm activity.

### SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

January 31, 2004

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat	12	18	30	34	6
Rye	10	15	29	41	5
Oats	17	26	37	17	3

**Pasture:** Pasture and range conditions ranged from mostly fair to poor. Pasture and range conditions were rated as 11 percent very poor, 29 percent poor, 42 percent fair, 15 percent good, and 3 percent excellent. These conditions have slipped some from last month. Some pastures have not recovered from the dry year and most pastures continue to need rain.

**Livestock:** Livestock ranged from mostly good to fair condition. Livestock condition was rated as 13 percent excellent, 41 percent good, 36 percent fair, 8 percent poor, and 2 percent very poor. The milder weather has helped livestock conditions. Many cattlemen have supplemented with hay this month. The death loss of cattle has continued to be light due to the mild winter conditions. Hay supplies were rated as mostly average.

### LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT

January 31, 2004

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	2	8	36	41	13
Pasture & Range	11	29	42	15	3

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**OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS**

January 31, 2004

Item	2004	2003	5 - Year Avg.
Wheat -			
Grazed	46	58	38
Rye -			
Grazed	69	82	36
Oats -			
Grazed	29	44	33

**WEATHER FOR MONTH ENDING JANUARY, 2004** - Data not available.

**MESONET TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA**

Districts	Temperature			Current Month 01/01 - 01/31	Precipitation		
	Month of January, 2004				September 1 to January 31, 2004		
	High	Low	Average	Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal	
	Degrees				Inches		
Panhandle					3.93	-1.72	70
West Central					6.09	-3.25	65
Southwest					5.06	-5.48	48
North Central					8.04	-2.06	80
Central					9.82	-4.14	70
South Central					9.98	-6.14	62
Northeast					13.19	-2.69	83
East Central					13.23	-5.41	71
Southeast					15.02	-6.46	70
	<b>Data Not Available</b>			<b>Data Not Available</b>			