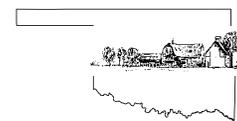




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## November Ends with More Rainfall

**November 28** - Last week was another week of rainy weather which contributed to further saturate fields. There were only 1.1 days suitable for field work. All districts received nearly a half inch of rain or more, with the Southeast and South Central districts receiving over an inch. There were many reports of rain, snow and first freezes. Producers were hoping for a sunny day soon. The good news about the rain is that soil moisture has been replenished from the dry summer months. Topsoil moisture was 64 percent surplus, 35 percent adequate, and 1 percent short. Subsoil moisture was at 28 percent surplus, 67 percent adequate, and 5 percent short.

### TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	0	1	35	64
Last Week	0	1	36	63

### SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	0	5	67	28
Last Week	0	5	68	27

**Small Grains:** Wheat seeding increased only one point to 96 percent. According to reports, there were several thousand acres of wheat still unplanted. It will have to dry out quickly in order for producers to be able to get into the fields to finish planting. Wheat emergence increased to 94 percent. Wheat conditions continued to be good to excellent. Oats seedbed prepared, planted and emerged all increased one point to 93, 59, and 58 percent, respectively. Oat and rye conditions were mostly good.

### SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending November 28, 2004

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
This Week	0	3	21	52	24
Last Week	0	2	22	53	23
Rye					
This Week	0	3	12	60	25
Oats					
This Week	0	1	23	68	8

**Row Crops:** There were still a lot of unharvested row crops because harvest has been delayed due to the rain and muddy fields conditions. Sorghum maturity increased eight points to 97 percent and sixty-nine percent of the sorghum was harvested. Soybeans harvested and peanuts combined progressed four points to 80 and 76 percent complete, respectively. Cotton harvest increased one point and still lagged 25 points behind normal. There were many reports of cotton waiting in the field for harvest as soon as conditions will allow.

**Hay:** Alfalfa hay cutting was coming to an end as colder temperatures and muddy fields put a halt to cutting. Alfalfa fifth and sixth hay cutting progressed only slightly last week.

### HAY CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending November 28, 2004

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	0	2	28	55	15

**Pasture and Range:** Pasture and range was in good condition but muddy pasture land was causing problems. Muddy conditions continue to delay some producers from turning cattle out on small grain pastures. In some areas farmers were not able to get into the wheat fields to put up electric fences.

**Livestock:** Due to the muddy pastures, many producers were having to feed cattle. Livestock conditions were in good to excellent condition with a light to average death loss reported. Prices for feeder steers less than 800 pounds took a drop of three dollars and twelve cents to \$108.83 per cwt., while prices for feeder heifers less than 800 pounds went down three dollars and sixty-three cents to \$101.37 per cwt.

### LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending November 28, 2004

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	2	18	67	13
Pasture & Range	0	4	27	52	17

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**TIME DATED MATERIAL**

**OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS**

Week Ending November 28, 2004

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.	Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.
Wheat -					Soybeans -				
Planted	96	95	100	97	Harvested	80	76	95	96
Emerged	94	93	99	90	Peanuts -				
Oats -					Dug	96	94	100	98
Seedbed Prepared	93	92	98	98	Combined	76	72	99	93
Planted	59	58	90	73	Cotton -				
Emerged	58	57	89	65	Harvested	56	55	91	81
Sorghum -					Alfalfa -				
Mature	97	89	100	100	5 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	91	90	89	70
Harvested	69	68	96	94	6 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	46	45	N/A	N/A

**Weather for Week Ending November 28, 2004** - Temperatures ranged from 22 degrees at Kenton on Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup> to 75 degrees at Burneyville on Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. Precipitation averaged 0.43 inches in Southwest district to 2.21 inches in Southeast district. Soil temperatures averaged 36 degrees at Kenton on Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, to 61 degrees at Idabel on Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**MESONET TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA**

Week Ending November 28, 2004

Districts	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	This Week	September 1, 2004 to November 28, 2004		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
Degrees			Inches				
Panhandle	53	31	40	0.97	7.13	+2.77	163
West Central	54	36	45	0.64	10.62	+3.41	147
Southwest	57	38	47	0.43	11.44	+3.45	143
North Central	53	35	44	0.91	9.34	+1.61	121
Central	56	37	47	0.67	11.44	+1.05	110
South Central	60	39	50	1.05	13.88	+2.40	121
Northeast	55	36	46	0.58	10.85	- 0.94	92
East Central	58	38	49	0.78	13.82	+0.58	104
Southeast	61	40	51	2.21	13.43	- 0.84	94