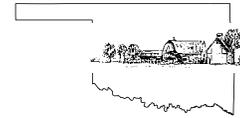




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When It Rains It Pours

Just as producers were in full swing harvesting wheat last week, the rains came and brought harvest to a halt in most areas. Heavy rains fell over the weekend with the major wheat producing districts recording from 1.37 to 4.5 inches of rain. However, Oklahoma still did not have any district at or ahead of normal for precipitation by week's end. The Panhandle was the closest district to normal precipitation and one respondent named it "the garden spot of the state." The Panhandle remains only 7 percent below normal for rainfall while all other districts were 25 - 49 percent below normal. Topsoil and subsoil moisture throughout the State increased. Some of the weekly reports arrived before weekend rains which influenced the soil moisture categories in the tables below. There were 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	12	24	58	6
Last Week	18	32	49	1
Last Year	37	26	33	4

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	17	30	51	2
Last Week	20	34	45	1
Last Year	28	41	29	2

Small Grains: Wheat harvest was well underway with 39 percent completed by week's end. Although it was a 32 point increase from last week, the five-year average for wheat harvested was 49 percent and at this time last year wheat was 77 percent harvested. However, rains at week's end brought combines to a halt in many areas. Rye and oats harvested both made significant increases last week jumping 12 and 15 points, respectively.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 12, 2005

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
This Week	4	16	37	35	8
Last Week	4	16	38	36	6
Last Year	4	13	31	43	9
Rye					
This Week	5	16	48	25	6
Oats					
This Week	8	24	38	30	0

Row Crops: The recent rains had varying effects on the row crops. Most benefitted from the wet weather, but cotton was hit hard. Newly emerging stands of cotton struggled through the high wind and hail received during the week. Additionally, flooding of fields in several counties in the Southwest portion of the State, may cause a large number of acres to be re-planted. Cotton planting was a week to 10 days behind normal.

Cotton emergence, at 65 percent, was 20 points behind the five-year average. Seedbed preparations for sorghum and peanuts were inching closer to completion while soybean seedbed preparations lagged behind at 86 percent. Fifty-two percent of the sorghum was planted, an 11 point increase from last week. Thirty-two percent of sorghum had emerged by week's end. Corn emergence was near complete and 10 percent of the crop was in the silking stage. Soybeans planted reached 66 percent. Soybeans emerged jumped 9 points to 55 percent. Peanuts recorded the most significant increase this week with an 11 point increase in peanuts planted and a 19 percent increase in emergence.

ROW CROPS CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 12, 2005

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	2	14	36	48
Soybeans	0	3	36	57	4
Peanuts	0	0	18	73	9
Cotton	0	1	46	53	0

Hay: The second cutting of alfalfa was 58 percent cut, 5 points higher than the five-year average. Other hay first cutting was 60 percent complete with the second cutting just getting underway.

HAY CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 12, 2005

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	1	10	35	47	7
Other Hay	3	18	42	33	4

Miscellaneous Commodities: Watermelon vines were 71 percent running which was slightly below normal. Fruit set was 23 percent complete.

Pasture and Range: Many reporters indicated that the recent rains will greatly help pasture condition. Pastures in some areas still need more rain to make a significant difference in conditions. Conditions were 3 percent excellent, 39 percent good, 42 percent fair, 14 percent poor and 2 percent very poor.

Livestock: Livestock continued to be in good to excellent condition. Death loss of cattle was rated as mostly light. Insect pressure, especially flies, was increasing across the state. Livestock marketings were rated as average. Feeder steers under 800 pounds averaged \$117.95 per cwt. and feeder heifers less than 800 pounds averaged \$110.55 per cwt.

LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending June 12, 2005

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	2	21	65	12
Pasture & Range	2	14	42	39	3

OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS

Week Ending June 12, 2005

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.	Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.
Wheat - Harvested	39	7	77	49	Peanuts - Planted	95	84	98	97
Oats - Soft Dough Harvested	92	73	98	89	Emerg	88	69	98	93
Rye - Harvested	17	5	69	N/A	Cotton - Planted	82	63	94	92
Corn - Silking	10	3	17	9	Emerg	65	49	91	85
Sorghum - Seedbed Prepared	94	91	95	90	Squaring	1	N/A	7	4
Planted	52	41	63	59	Alfalfa - 2 nd Cutting	58	37	75	53
Emerg	32	29	49	47	Other Hay - 1 st Cutting	60	55	71	66
Soybeans - Seedbed Prepared	86	83	94	92	2 nd Cutting	1	N/A	4	1
Planted	66	57	79	75	Watermelons - Running	71	53	84	76
Emerg	55	46	71	67	Setting Fruit	23	N/A	45	26

Weather for Week Ending June 12, 2005 - Temperatures ranged from 46 degrees at Kenton on Thursday, June 9th, to 99 degrees at Freedom on Wednesday, June 8th. Precipitation averaged 0.11 inches in South Central district to 4.50 inches in North Central district. Soil temperatures averaged 65 degrees at Beaver on Sunday, June 12th, to 90 degrees at Hugo on Thursday, June 9th.

MESONET TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA

Week Ending June 12, 2005

Districts	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	This Week	March 1, 2005 to June 12, 2005		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
Degrees			Inches				
Panhandle	85	56	70	2.12	7.47	-0.56	93
West Central	87	63	75	3.33	8.55	-2.90	75
Southwest	90	66	78	1.37	6.76	-4.80	58
North Central	87	66	76	4.50	8.43	-3.51	71
Central	89	67	78	1.99	6.65	-7.57	47
South Central	89	70	80	0.11	6.16	-8.61	42
Northeast	88	67	78	2.77	9.67	-5.33	64
East Central	89	69	79	0.49	8.44	-7.81	52
Southeast	90	70	80	0.20	8.72	-8.49	51

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