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Additional Rain Needed

Small amounts of rain were received during the week which helped with small grain emergence. However, temperatures still remained slightly above normal for this time of the year. All districts, with the exception of the Southwest, were below normal rainfall since September 1, 2005. There were 5.5 days suitable for field work last week.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	11	16	66	7
Last Week	12	18	58	12
Last Year	2	8	79	11

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	13	22	63	2
Last Week	12	26	61	1
Last Year	5	22	70	3

Small Grains: There was some rain received throughout most of the major wheat producing areas but more rain is needed Statewide to get the wheat going. Wheat planted increased to 81 percent which was 5 points above normal. Over half of the 2006 wheat crop has emerged. Some counties in the North Central district had to replant due to heavy rains washing out the crop. Armyworms and aphids continued to be a serious threat in the South Central, Central and Southeast districts. Many producers were continuing to spot spray in some of their fields. Rye planting was nearly complete and 89 percent of the crop was emerged. Oats seeded increased 5 points from last week to 82 percent, slightly below the normal average of 84 percent.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending October 16, 2005

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat	2	8	40	47	3
Rye	3	7	26	63	1
Oats	5	4	67	24	0

Row Crops: All of the row crops were in good to fair condition. In the Southwest, some producers continued with peanut and cotton harvest while other producers were still unable to get into the wet fields from rain received last week. Cotton harvest, mostly limited to the Southwest district, continued to lag behind normal. Peanuts reaching

maturity increased 8 points to 91 percent. Peanuts dug and combined remained normal at 44 and 28 percent completed, respectively. Corn harvest for majority of the State was winding down and near completed. Statewide, 39 percent of the sorghum was harvested. Half of the soybean crop was harvested.

ROW CROPS CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending October 16, 2005

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Soybeans	2	14	44	34	6
Peanuts	0	2	22	67	9
Cotton	0	9	21	58	12
Sorghum	0	5	39	51	5

Hay: Alfalfa conditions were rated as mostly good and other hay conditions remained mostly good to fair. Alfalfa hay continued to be well ahead of normal as the fifth cutting advanced an additional 6 points to 94 percent. The sixth cutting of alfalfa was also ahead of normal at 39 percent complete. The second cutting of other hay was near completion at 88 percent.

HAY CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending October 16, 2005

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	2	11	33	52	2
Other Hay	5	12	40	41	2

Pasture and Range: Pastures still remain in mostly good to fair condition. Stocker cattle were being bought with the anticipation of good wheat pasture.

Livestock: Livestock conditions were mostly good. Livestock marketings were rated as average. Death loss of cattle and livestock insect activity was mostly light. Feeder steers less than 800 pounds were \$118.71 per cwt, a \$0.68 increase from last week. Feeder heifers less than 800 pounds were \$111.48 per cwt, a \$0.04 decrease from last week.

LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending October 16, 2005

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	0	35	61	4
Pasture & Range	7	15	32	40	6

OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS

Week Ending October 16, 2005

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.	Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.
Wheat -					Soybeans -				
Planted	81	71	81	76	Mature	79	72	75	83
Emerged	64	48	65	55	Harvested	50	46	52	58
Oats -					Peanuts -				
Seedbed Prepared	82	77	81	84	Mature	91	83	92	91
Planted	40	30	35	40	Dug	44	28	40	50
Emerged	31	17	31	28	Combined	28	14	19	31
Rye -					Cotton -				
Planted	96	88	95	84	Bolls Opening	95	94	90	93
Emerged	89	75	85	69	Harvested	9	7	22	29
Corn -					Alfalfa -				
Harvested	94	91	90	90	5 th Cutting	94	88	81	58
Sorghum -					6 th Cutting	39	35	27	5
Mature	83	74	61	83	Other Hay -				
Harvested	39	29	44	59	2 nd Cutting	88	87	95	87

Weather for Week Ending October 16, 2005 - Temperatures ranged from 33 degrees at Kenton on Wednesday, October 12th, to 88 degrees at Talihina and Webbers Falls on Saturday, October 15th. Precipitation averaged 0.00 inches in East Central and Southeast districts to 0.82 inches in the Panhandle district. Soil temperatures averaged 55 degrees at Boise City on Tuesday, October 11th, to 74 degrees at Idabel on Friday, October 14th.

MESONET TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA

Week Ending October 16, 2005

Districts	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	This Week	September 1, 2005 to October 16, 2005		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
Degrees				Inches			
Panhandle	72	46	58	0.82	1.79	-0.87	67
West Central	75	52	62	0.54	3.70	-0.65	85
Southwest	77	54	64	0.39	5.50	+0.58	112
North Central	77	52	63	0.27	3.13	-1.38	69
Central	78	52	64	0.20	4.03	-1.97	67
South Central	80	52	65	0.02	4.52	-2.01	69
Northeast	79	50	63	0.03	3.40	-3.25	51
East Central	80	51	64	0.00	2.88	-4.28	40
Southeast	82	50	65	0.00	3.62	-3.51	51

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