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Moisture Conditions Worsen

Ninety-one percent of the State reported topsoil moisture as very short to short last week, leaving a mere 9 percent of the State reporting adequate moisture conditions. Subsoil moisture was also extremely low as three-quarters of the State was reported to be very short to short. The excessively dry conditions and the multitude of wind advisories across the State over the weekend led to a large number of native pasture acres being lost to wildfires. There were 6.5 days suitable for field work last week.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	54	37	9	0
Last Week	46	46	13	0
Last Year	0	1	35	64

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	36	39	25	0
Last Week	28	44	28	0
Last Year	0	5	67	28

Small Grains: Wheat condition dropped to mostly fair over the week joining rye and oats which have remained in that category for more than three weeks now. Wheat emergence inched even closer to completion while oat emergence increased 1 point to 62 percent complete. Oats seedbeds prepared and planted struggled to progress at only 94 and 67 percent completed, respectively.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending November 27, 2005

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
This Week	5	12	42	39	2
Last Week	4	11	39	43	3
Last Year	0	3	21	52	24
Rye	5	14	50	31	0
Oats	2	31	50	17	0

Row Crops: Row crop harvest continued to advance in the dry conditions. Sorghum and soybean harvest were virtually complete at 93 and 97 percent, respectively. Cotton harvest jumped 5 points to 71 percent complete. Although cotton harvest was slightly behind normal, it was 15 points ahead of this time last year.

Hay: Alfalfa conditions were rated as mostly good to fair. The sixth cutting of alfalfa reached 70 percent, with progress slowed due to the extremely dry conditions.

HAY CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending November 27, 2005

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	5	12	41	39	3

Pasture and Range: Pastures conditions were mostly fair to good. Statewide, hay supplies for the rest of the season remained mostly average. However, the East Central and Southeast districts reported hay supplies at 84 and 86 percent below average, respectively.

Livestock: Livestock conditions were mostly good. Livestock marketings were rated as average. Death loss of cattle was mostly light. Livestock insect activity was none to light. Feeder steers less than 800 pounds were \$119.83 per cwt., a \$0.08 increase from last week. Feeder heifers less than 800 pounds were \$111.25 per cwt., a \$0.13 increase from last week.

LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending November 27, 2005

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	0	13	82	5
Pasture & Range	13	21	39	25	2

THIS IS THE FINAL WEEKLY CROP WEATHER REPORT OF THE SEASON. MONTHLY CROP WEATHER WILL START JANUARY 3, 2006.

OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS

Week Ending November 27, 2005

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.	Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.
Wheat - Emerged	97	96	94	90	Soybeans - Harvested	97	94	79	92
Oats - Seedbed Prepared	94	93	93	96	Cotton - Harvested	71	66	56	74
Planted	67	66	59	67	Alfalfa - 6 th Cutting	70	68	46	9
Emerged	62	61	58	64					
Sorghum - Harvested	93	81	69	87					

Weather for Week Ending November 27, 2005 - Temperatures ranged from 18 degrees at Kenton on Friday, November 25th, to 80 degrees at Ada, Antlers, Bowlegs, McAlester, and Mangum on Wednesday, November 23rd. Precipitation averaged 0.00 inches in Central and Southwest districts to 0.23 inches in Panhandle district. Soil temperatures averaged 43 degrees at Kenton on Friday, November 25th, to 61 degrees at Burneyville on Sunday, November 27th.

MESONET TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA

Week Ending November 27, 2005

Districts	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	This Week	September 1, 2005 to November 27, 2005		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
Degrees				Inches			
Panhandle	65	28	45	0.23	2.53	-1.80	58
West Central	66	34	49	0.04	3.95	-3.19	55
Southwest	67	35	51	0.00	5.78	-2.15	73
North Central	65	32	48	0.09	4.31	-3.35	56
Central	66	35	51	0.00	4.50	-5.80	44
South Central	68	38	53	0.03	5.37	-6.01	47
Northeast	64	34	50	0.03	4.54	-7.13	39
East Central	65	37	51	0.04	3.73	-9.37	28
Southeast	67	38	52	0.16	5.60	-8.50	40

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