



Oklahoma Crop Weather

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Unusually Warm Weather and No Precipitation

Temperatures this past week were unusually warm for late October and early November. Average highs across Oklahoma were 70 degrees or higher in six of the districts. While temperatures were pleasant across most of the State, precipitation was nonexistent with no measurable rainfall last week. The Panhandle remained the hardest hit from dry conditions, with precipitation only 32 percent of normal since September 1. There were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork.

Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent

Week Ending Sunday, November 4, 2007

Moisture Rating	Topsoil			Subsoil		
	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
Very Short	19	17	34	13	12	52
Short	26	21	34	24	23	32
Adequate	51	57	32	62	63	16
Surplus	4	5	0	1	2	0

Small Grains: Lack of rainfall has stalled small grain development in many areas. Early-planted **wheat** began turning a yellowish color from low soil moisture levels in some areas. Wheat seeding increased 5 points from the previous week to reach 89 percent complete, but was 6 percentage points behind normal. Just over two-third's of the State's wheat acreage had emerged, 18 percentage points behind the five-year average. **Rye** planted was 95 percent complete, a 2 point increase from the previous week. Eighty-eight percent of the State's rye had emerged. **Oat** seedbed preparation was 87 percent complete with 69 percent of the crop planted by week's end.

Row Crops: Three fourth's of **soybeans** were mature with 44 percent harvested by week's end. Ninety-five percent of **grain sorghum** had reached maturity with 70 percent of the harvest completed, both ahead of normal. Ninety-one percent of **peanuts** were dug, an increase of 17 points from last week. As of Sunday, 77 percent of the crop was combined, 11 points ahead of the five-year average. Forty percent of **cotton** was harvested by week's end, an increase of 16 points from the previous week.

Hay: Producers continued baling hay in a few locations. Growers had 91 percent of other hay second cuttings complete, two points behind normal. Eighty-three percent of the fifth cutting of alfalfa and 43 percent of the sixth cutting were completed. Alfalfa and other hay conditions remained mostly in the good to fair range.

Livestock, Pasture and Range: Producers had begun supplemental feeding in some isolated locations. Limited precipitation and cooler temperatures had pastures turning brown in parts of the State. Livestock conditions were rated mostly in the good to fair range. Prices for feeder steers less than 800 pounds averaged \$111 per cwt. Prices for heifers less than 800 pounds averaged \$102 per cwt. Pasture and range conditions also remained mostly in the good to fair range.

Conditions by Percent

Week Ending Sunday, November 4, 2007

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Small Grain -					
Wheat	7	13	35	41	4
Rye	7	6	27	50	10
Oats	16	9	55	13	7
Hay -					
Alfalfa	5	13	40	35	7
Other Hay	2	8	31	46	13
Livestock, Pasture and Range -					
Livestock	0	2	26	57	15
Pasture and Range	2	5	29	46	18
Row Crops -					
Cotton	0	5	21	66	8
Soybeans	0	3	41	37	19

Crop Progress by Percent

Week Ending Sunday, November 4, 2007

Crop and Event	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Average	Crop and Event	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Average
Wheat -					Soybeans -				
Planted	89	84	95	95	Mature	75	61	95	94
Emerged	68	63	79	86	Harvested	44	32	71	71
Rye -					Peanuts -				
Planted	95	93	100	100	Dug	91	74	84	84
Emerged	88	83	95	96	Combined	77	56	66	66
Oats -					Cotton -				
Seedbed Prepared	87	85	99	92	Harvested	40	24	52	46
Planted	69	61	68	58	Alfalfa -				
Emerged	48	43	54	51	5th Cutting	83	79	76	82
Sorghum -					6th Cutting	43	32	15	23
Mature -	95	88	83	88	Other Hay -				
Harvested	70	57	48	62	2nd Cutting	91	90	80	93

Weather for Week Ending November 4, 2007: Temperatures ranged from 23 degrees at Boise City on Saturday, November 3rd to 85 degrees at Beaver on Tuesday, October 30th. No precipitation was received last week. Soil temperatures averaged 48 degrees at Weatherford on Thursday, November 1st to 65 degrees at Hugo on Saturday, November 3rd.

Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data

Week Ending Sunday, November 4, 2007

District	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	This Week	September 1, 2007 to November 4, 2007		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Percent</i>	
Panhandle	71	34	52	0.00	1.13	-2.40	32
West Central	70	41	55	0.00	4.93	-0.89	85
Southwest	72	43	57	0.00	4.19	-2.41	63
North Central	70	39	54	0.00	6.03	-0.04	99
Central	70	43	56	0.00	6.00	-2.14	74
South Central	73	45	58	0.00	3.99	-5.02	44
Northeast	68	41	54	0.00	9.12	0.22	103
East Central	69	44	56	0.00	9.43	-0.37	96
Southeast	71	44	57	0.00	8.27	-1.93	81



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