



Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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WEEKLY SUMMARY FOR MAY 28 – JUNE 3

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Summary

Areas from the Panhandle to Coastal Texas received rainfall last week. Parts of North Texas received up to three inches while other areas observed scattered showers.

Small Grains: Harvesting of winter wheat and oats continued around the state, aided in many areas by warm, dry weather. In the High Plains, some wheat was being baled or cut for silage. In the Edwards Plateau, producers were preparing to plant hay grazer with some early-planted hay grazer being baled.

Row Crops: Cotton planting continued on dry land acres in the Panhandle. High winds and blowing dust damaged some recently-emerged cotton. In South Texas, peanut planting was

in full swing and in the Lower Valley; harvest of early-planted sunflowers began. Overall, corn, cotton, and sorghum progressed well but needed rain in many areas. In the Plains and South Texas, irrigation was active on row crops.

Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops: Pecans continued to make good progress with clusters beginning to form and the threat of the case bearer insect declining. In Central Texas, grapes were progressing. In South Texas and the Lower Valley, irrigation was active and harvest of onions and cantaloupe continued.

Livestock, Range, and Pasture: Rainfall helped range and pastureland to green in some areas, and good grazing conditions were reported in parts of North Texas. However in most other areas, more precipitation was needed to improve pasture condition. Limited forage remained a major concern around the state. Many pastures showed signs of stress as grass growth slowed due to lack of moisture. Livestock body condition was mostly fair to good with some supplemental feeding continuing.

Crop Progress					
Crop	Stage	Percent of Acreage			
		Current	Prev Week	2011 *	5 Yr Avg
Corn	Planted	96	95 *	99	99
	Emerged	90	83	92	94
	Silked (Tasseled)	51	44	38	38
Cotton	Planted	83	69	78	77
	Squaring	11	10 *	12	10
	Setting Bolls	5	0	5	2
Peanuts	Planted	93	85	92	90
Rice	Planted	99	98	100	100
	Emerged	97	93	83	93
	Headed	2	1	0	0
Sorghum	Planted	91	90	76	79
	Headed	58	50	51	35
	Coloring	20	0	11	3
Soybeans	Planted	96	95	96	95
	Emerged	95	90	94	92
	Blooming	12	0	12	6
Sunflowers	Planted	81	71	60	47
Winter Wheat	Headed	100	99	100	99
	Harvested (Grain)	38	27	23	17
Oats	Harvested (Grain)	77	61	68	52

* Revised. Visit our web site to view the crop progress regional maps, available at www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Texas/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/maps/.

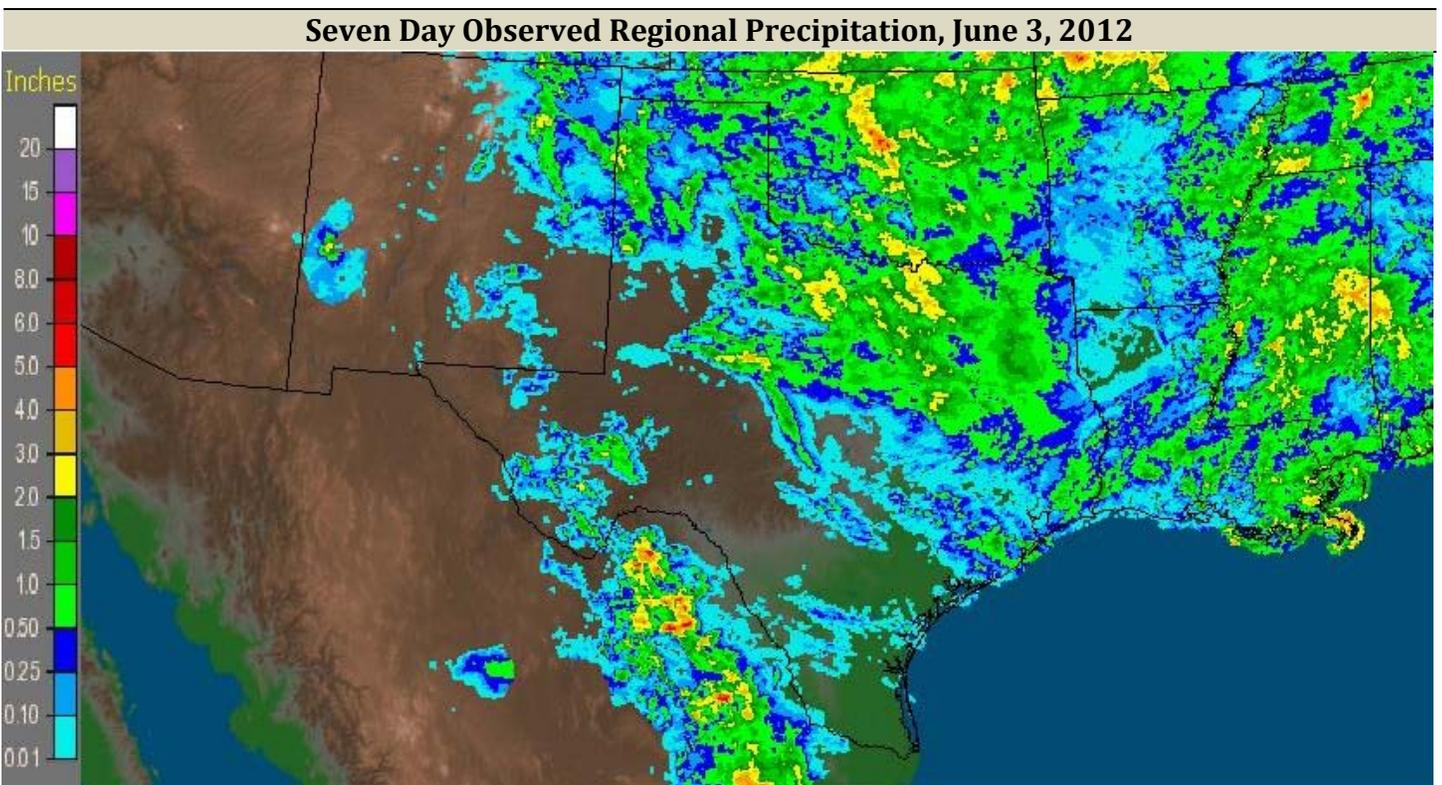
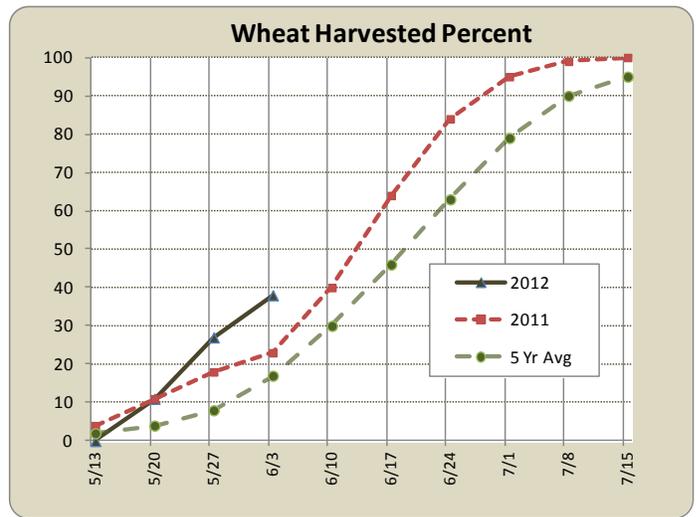
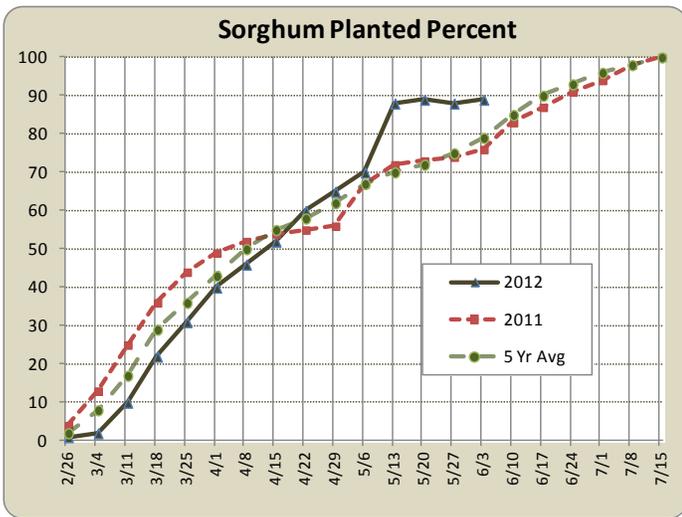
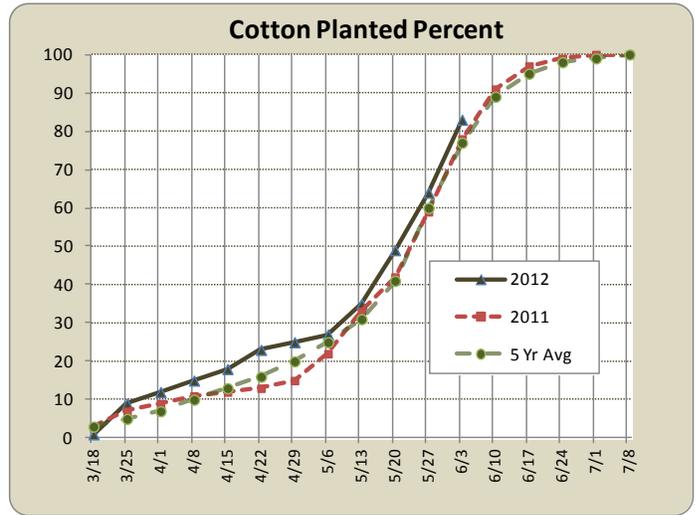
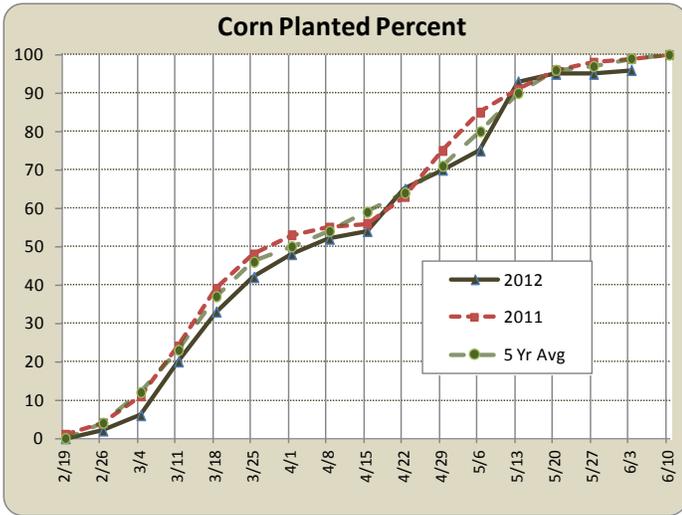
Crop Condition							
Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2012	2011
Corn	13	53	30	3	1	81	51
Cotton	10	37	40	11	2	71	52
Peanuts	9	34	57	0	0	75	63
Rice	5	74	21	0	0	85	73
Sorghum	12	48	29	7	4	76	57
Soybeans	4	47	46	2	1	75	70
Wheat	7	19	32	21	21	50	24
Oats	26	35	28	7	4	84	27
Range and Pasture	2	25	37	23	13	--	--

* The formula for the condition index is $I = (5V + 25P + 60F + 90G + 110E)/100$ where I = crop condition index and V, P, F, G, E = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

Top Soil Moisture by District															
Condition	Percent of Acreage														
	1-N	1-S	2-N	2-S	3	4	5-N	5-S	6	7	8-N	8-S	9	10-N	10-S
Very Short	45	28	45	19	14	15	1	11	39	5	6	44	5	21	20
Short	35	57	43	48	66	41	47	57	41	53	44	38	47	52	38
Adequate	20	14	12	31	20	43	49	30	20	38	49	18	44	26	42
Surplus	0	1	0	2	0	1	3	2	0	4	1	0	4	1	0

Texas Precipitation					
National Weather Service Climatic Divisions *	Inches of Accumulation **				Percent
	Previous Week (May 28 – Jun 3, 2012)	Month-to-Date (May 1 – 31, 2012)	Year-to-Date (Jan 1 – Jun 3, 2012)	Annual Normal 1971-2000	Normal Previous Three Months (Feb - Apr)
High Plains	0.04	0.25	0.69	19.64	13
Low Rolling Plains	0.20	0.39	1.12	24.51	12
North Central Texas	0.15	0.43	2.51	35.23	16
East Texas	0.07	0.48	3.55	48.08	21
Trans-Pecos	0.00	0.34	0.55	13.19	13
Edwards Plateau	0.00	0.70	1.71	24.73	17
South Central Texas	0.03	0.56	2.11	36.21	15
Upper Coast	0.01	0.59	3.57	50.31	24
South Texas	0.00	0.60	1.35	24.08	16
Lower Valley	0.00	0.23	1.16	25.43	22

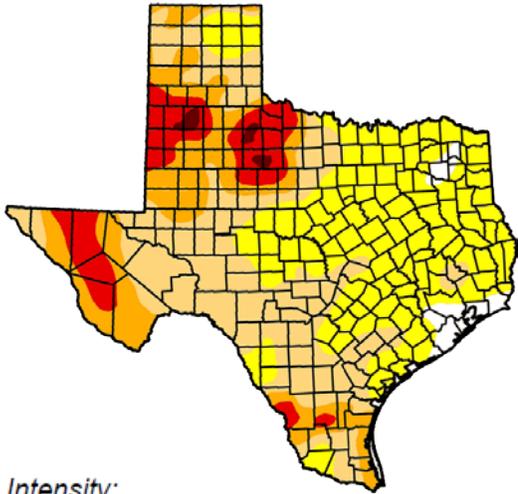
* High Plains: 1-N, 1-S; Low Rolling Plains: 2-N, 2-S; North Central Texas: 3, 4; East Texas: 5-N, 5-S. Trans-Pecos: 6; Edwards Plateau: 7; South Central Texas: 8-N, 8-S; Upper Coast: 9; South Texas: 10-N; Lower Valley: 10-S. ** Average of all stations reporting precipitation data. For more information, please visit the following web sites: <http://water.weather.gov> and <http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>.



Source: National Weather Service, www.nws.noaa.gov

Drought Monitor

Valid 5/29/2012, 7:00 am EST

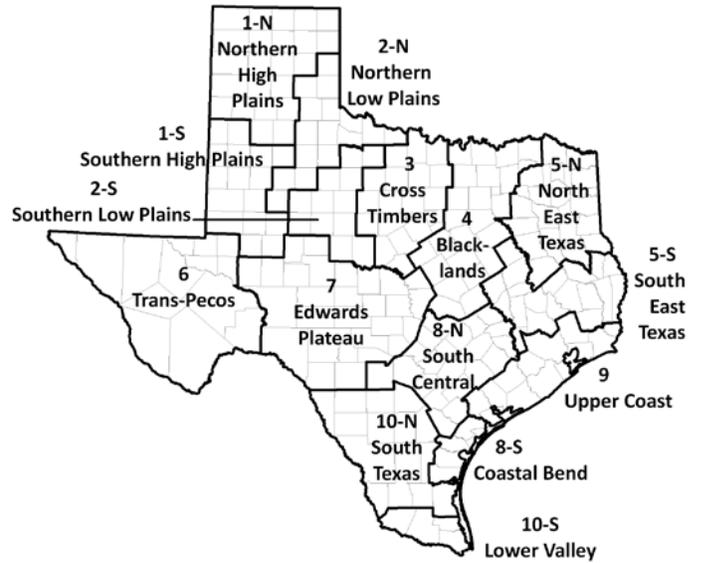


Intensity:



Source: National Drought Mitigation Center, a partnership with USDA, U.S. Department of Commerce/NOAA, <http://droughtmonitorunl.edu>

Texas Agricultural Districts



Coming soon – NASS’s annual June surveys on crops and livestock. In the first two weeks of June, NASS will survey about 140,000 U.S. producers and visit 42,000 tracts of farm land to collect information. Responses to these surveys provide the foundation for estimates in the upcoming growing year and will first be released in the Acreage and other reports on June 29. Watch for the survey and be sure to respond. ***Your information matters!***