



Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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WEEKLY SUMMARY FOR MAY 27 – JUNE 2

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Summary

East and South Texas and the Trans-Pecos experienced scattered showers last week, with some areas recording three inches of rain or more. However, most other areas of the state received very little or no precipitation. Hot, windy conditions prevailed across much of North Texas and the Plains.

Small Grains: Winter wheat harvest was underway in areas of North Texas. Wet conditions in the Blacklands delayed some wheat harvest. However many producers lost much of their crop to previous weather damage and continued to bale or graze those fields.

Row Crops: Corn and sorghum planting was beginning to wrap up in most areas of the state. Rainfall improved the

condition of row crops in many areas of East and South Texas. Sunflowers had begun flowering across areas of the Blacklands. In much of the Plains, however, crops remained in need of additional moisture and irrigation was active. In the Upper Coast, the rice crop made good progress.

Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops: East Texas vegetables continued to develop, with some producers reporting insect and disease issues. Some vegetables were being harvested and sold in local markets. In the Trans-Pecos, South Texas, and the Lower Valley, onion harvest was underway. Spraying of pecan orchards continued in the Edwards Plateau. In the Lower Valley, harvest of citrus and melons was almost complete.

Crop Progress					
Crop	Stage	Percent of Acreage			
		Current	Prev Week	2012	5 Yr Avg
Corn	Planted	97	95	96	98
	Emerged	91	79	89	92
	Silked (Tasseled)	35	26	50	38
Cotton	Planted	78	49	81	77
	Squaring	6	4	11	10
	Setting Bolls	1	0	4	2
Peanuts	Planted	86	63	92	91
Rice	Emerged	94	92	96	93
Sorghum	Planted	82	77	91	81
	Headed	31	30	57	38
	Coloring	13	0	17	6
Soybeans	Panted	90	88	96	95
	Emerged	74	69	94	92
	Blooming	1	0	10	7
Sunflowers	Planted	73	60	80	52
Winter Wheat	Headed	91	79	100	99
	Harvested	18	12	36	21
Oats	Headed	92	91	100	100
	Harvested	24	17	75	56

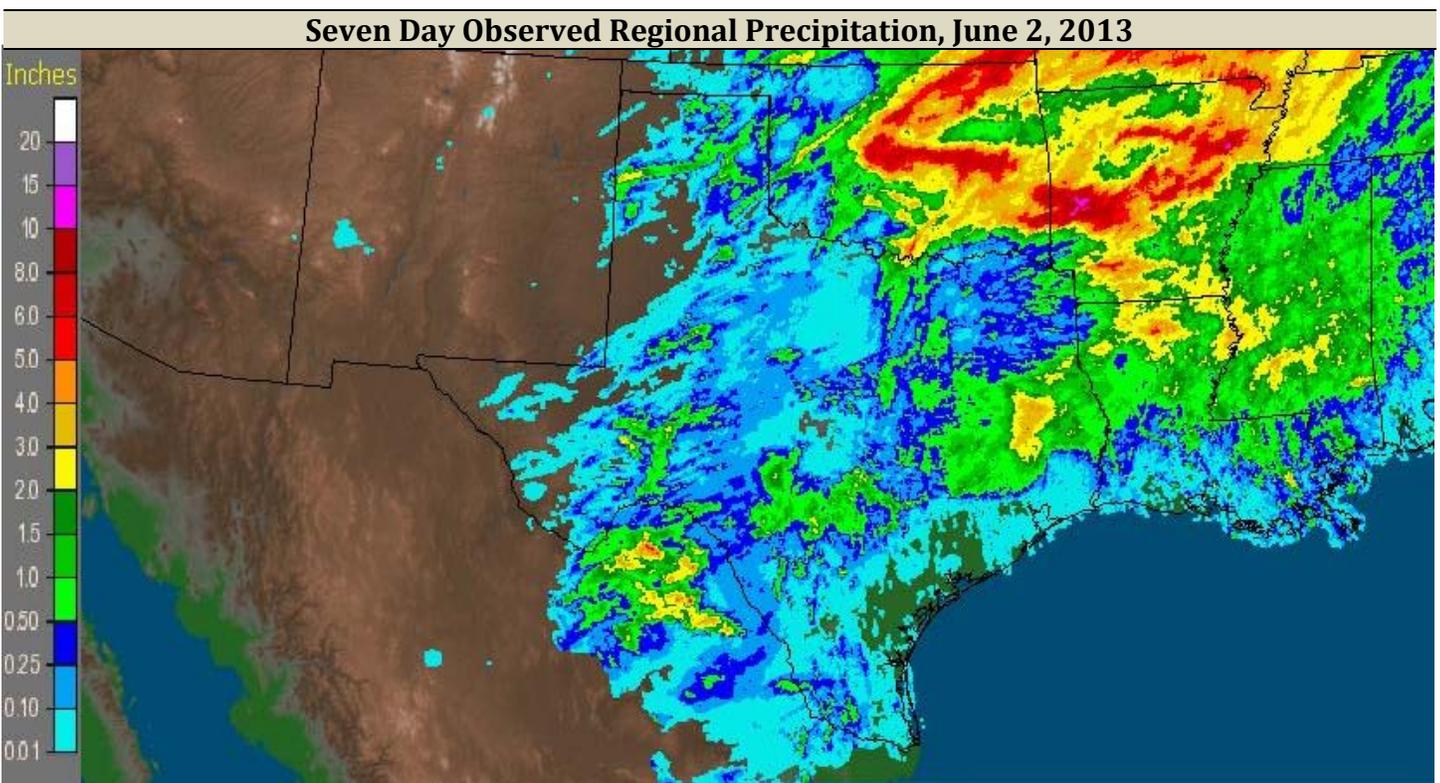
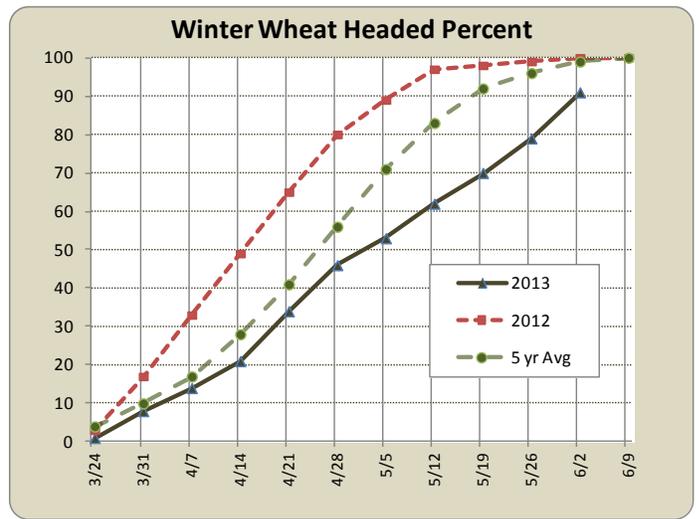
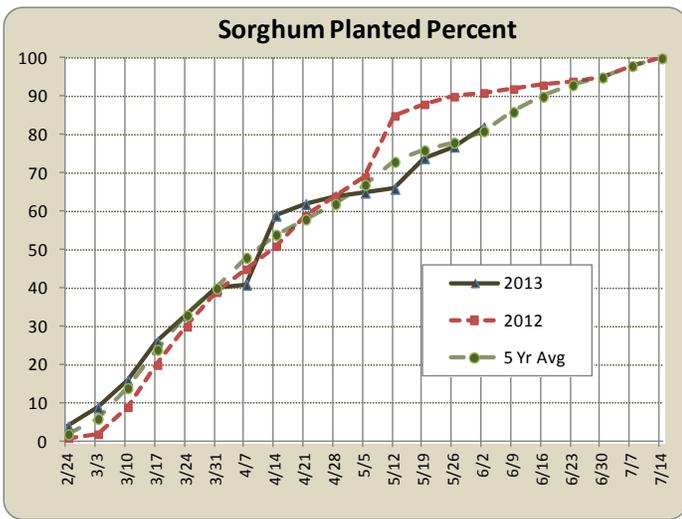
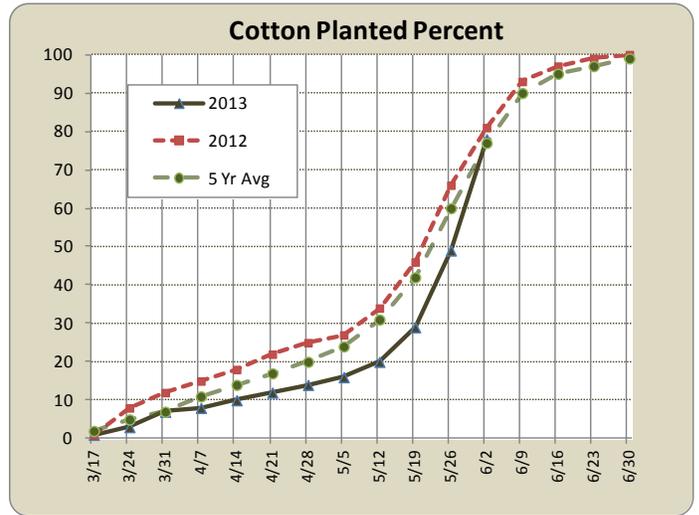
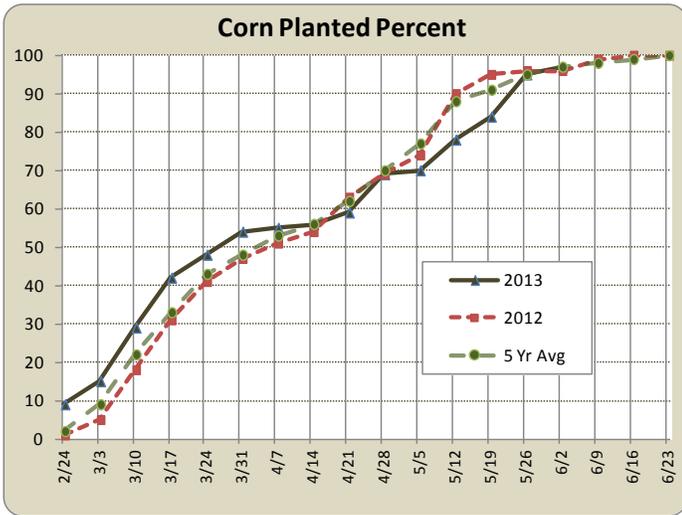
Visit our web site to view the crop progress regional maps, available at www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Texas/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/maps/.

Livestock, Range and Pasture: Pasture condition varied greatly around the state, depending on recent rainfall. In many areas, grasses were greening up and producers were able to make a first cutting of hay. However, in much of the Plains and West Texas, ranges and pastures were struggling, requiring some producers to continue supplemental feeding. Cattle condition was reported as mostly good. In East Texas, spring-born calves were growing well and rapidly approaching weaning weight.

Crop Condition							
Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2013	2012
Corn	10	41	40	7	2	74	81
Cotton	6	22	46	19	7	59	71
Peanuts	0	40	57	3	0	71	75
Rice	9	31	53	7	0	71	85
Sorghum	7	31	35	15	12	61	76
Soybeans	6	36	50	7	1	71	75
Wheat	1	6	14	27	52	24	50
Oats	2	23	40	21	14	53	84
Range and Pasture	6	25	29	20	20	--	--

* 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.

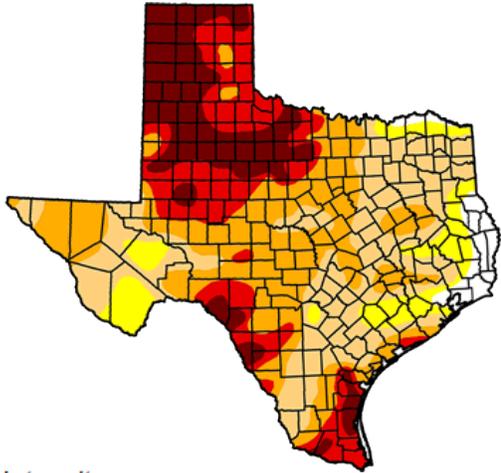
Tops Soil Moisture Condition by District									
District	Percent of Acreage				District	Percent of Acreage			
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
1-N	68	28	4	0	6	68	32	0	0
1-S	69	24	7	0	7	14	40	42	4
2-N	32	51	17	0	8-N	5	38	54	3
2-S	42	41	17	0	8-S	25	41	27	7
3	20	52	28	0	9	8	19	68	5
4	4	17	77	2	10-N	14	30	55	1
5-N	3	24	70	3	10-S	37	24	39	0
5-S	2	19	69	10	State	25	32	41	2



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

Drought Monitor

Valid 5/28/2013, 7:00 am EST

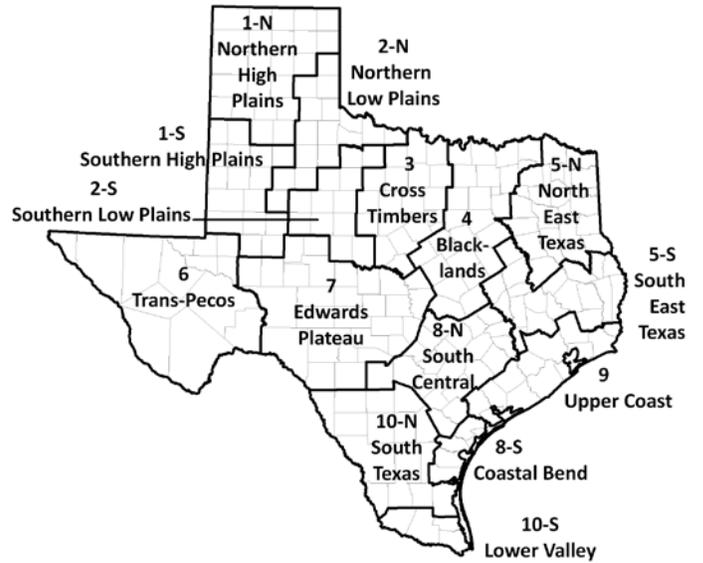


Intensity:



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

Texas Agricultural Districts



Special Note

NASS Survey Update!

In the first two weeks of June, NASS will interview producers and survey tracts of farm land across the United States to gather information that will set the foundation for estimates during the upcoming forecast season. Additionally, we will ask hog producers about their inventories and farrowing intentions for the next six months. The information will help producers, suppliers, traders, buyers, and others make informed business decisions. The results will be available beginning June 28 in the *Acreage* and other reports. **Farmers should watch for their surveys and be sure to respond. Your information matters!**