



# Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Parts of North East Texas received upwards of three inches of rainfall, with isolated areas reporting as much as 5 inches for the week. The rest of the state observed mostly scattered precipitation.

**Small Grains:** Winter wheat and oats across the state made good progress. Producers in the Southern High Plains reported greenbug and winter grain mites in fields, while the Blacklands experienced fungal pressure and rust on small grains.

**Row Crops:** South East Texas corn producers began planting this week. The High Plains areas began field preparations for cotton and sorghum planting.

**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops:** Harvest of citrus and vegetables continued in South Texas. Freezing temperatures adversely impacted winter vegetables in the Blacklands.

**Livestock, Range and Pasture:** Rainfall and warmer temperatures provided additional moisture needed for range and pasture development. Range and pasture conditions were rated fair to good, with supplemental feeding continuing across the state.

Crop Progress				
Stage	Percent of Acreage			
	Current	Prev. Week	Prev. Year	5 Year Avg
<b>Pecans</b>				
Harvested	98	95	100	100
<b>Winter Wheat</b>				
Emerged	100	99	100	99
<b>Oats</b>				
Emerged	99	98	100	100

### Crop Condition

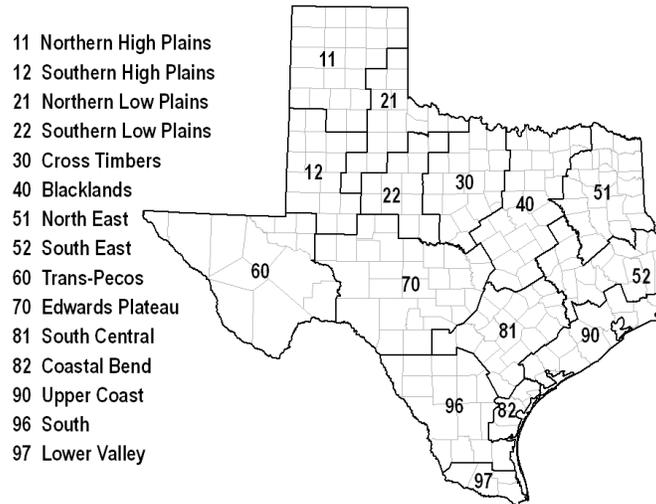
Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index <sup>1</sup>	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2015	2014
Wheat	8	36	42	11	3	69	---
Oats	6	43	38	10	3	71	---
Range and Pasture	5	29	41	18	7	---	---

<sup>1</sup> 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.

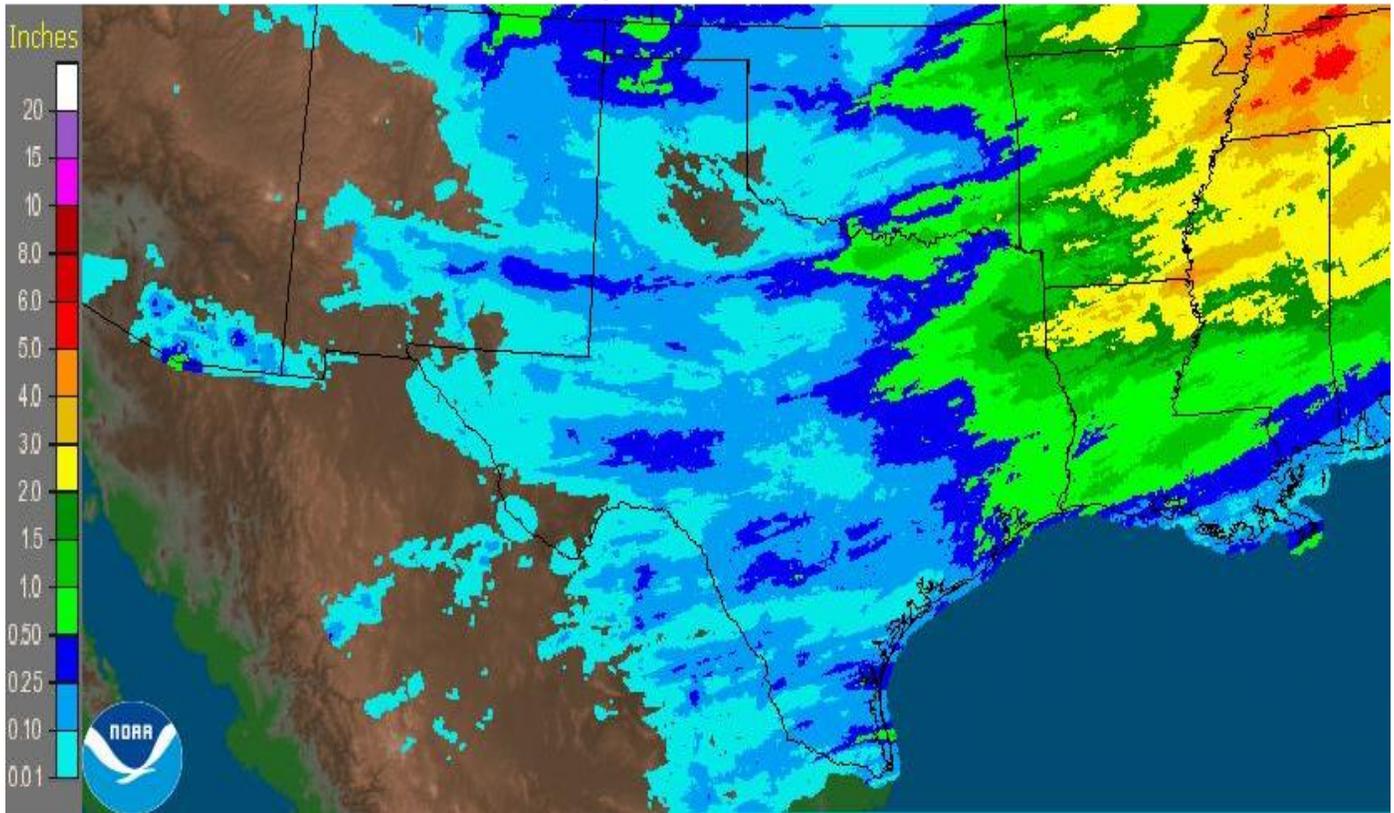
### Top Soil Moisture Condition by District

District	Topsoil Moisture Condition by District				Subsoil Moisture Condition by District				Days Suitable for Fieldwork
	Percentage of Acreage				Percentage of Acreage				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
11	13	34	53	0	17	45	37	1	5.8
12	7	47	45	1	6	46	47	1	6.7
21	17	39	44	0	11	48	41	0	6.4
22	5	52	39	4	8	40	48	4	5.6
30	15	43	41	1	22	39	39	0	5.5
40	2	13	75	10	2	13	75	10	4.8
51	6	17	58	19	7	16	57	20	5.5
52	3	10	57	30	2	11	63	24	3.6
60	21	31	36	12	21	30	37	12	7.0
70	17	31	46	6	18	32	45	5	6.2
81	2	19	70	9	2	26	67	5	6.0
82	1	5	86	8	5	10	52	33	5.6
90	0	2	72	26	0	5	82	13	5.2
96	2	43	54	1	1	32	66	1	7.0
97	0	8	78	14	2	11	74	13	6.5
State	7	30	57	6	8	32	55	5	5.8

### Texas Agricultural Districts

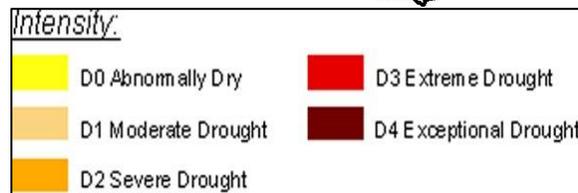
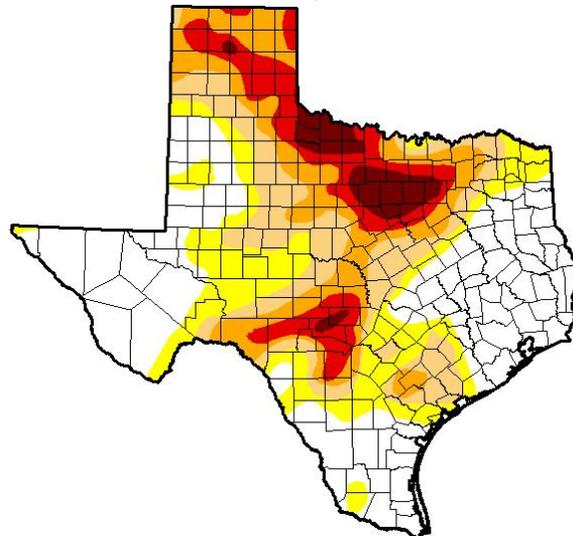


### Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, February 22, 2015



Source: National Weather Service, [www.nws.noaa.gov](http://www.nws.noaa.gov)

### Drought Monitor Valid February 17, 2015



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