

# NORTH DAKOTA CROP, LIVESTOCK & WEATHER REPORT



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**General:** Harvest conditions were excellent for most of the state during the week, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. Corn for grain and sunflower harvest advanced rapidly. Precipitation fell across parts of the state on Thursday, which halted harvest progress and fieldwork in many northern areas. On average, there were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork statewide. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 20 short, 75 adequate and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were rated 5 percent very short, 23 short, 68 adequate and 4 surplus.

**Crops:** Excellent progress was made on corn for grain and sunflower harvest during the week as both leaped ahead of the five-year (2000-2004) average. Corn for grain harvest jumped 25 percentage points to reach 86 percent complete, compared with the average of 76 percent. Sunflower harvest was 83 percent complete, two weeks ahead of last year.

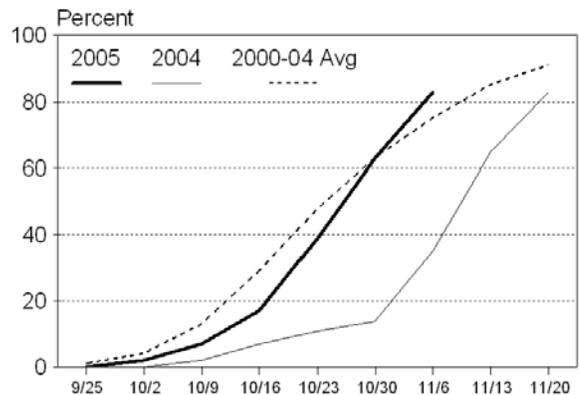
**Livestock:** Livestock producers continued to market spring calves and move livestock feed to winter feeding areas. Stockwater supplies were rated 87 percent adequate to surplus, a slight increase from the previous week.

**Crop Development Progress <sup>1/</sup>**  
**North Dakota, November 6, 2005 with Comparisons**

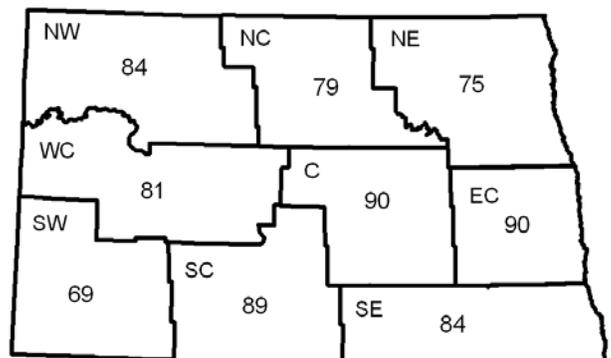
Crop	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg
	Nov 6, 2005	Oct 30, 2005	Nov 6, 2004	
(Percent)				
<b>CORN</b>				
Harvested for Grain	86	61	28	76
<b>SUNFLOWER</b>				
Harvested	83	63	35	75

*1/ Crop development percents represent all acreage in or beyond each stage.*

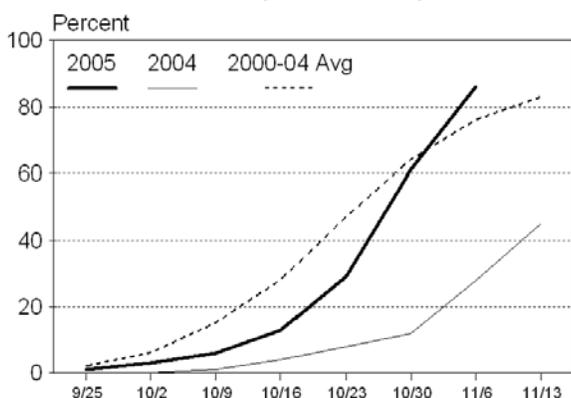
**Sunflowers: Harvested**  
**North Dakota, November 6, 2005**



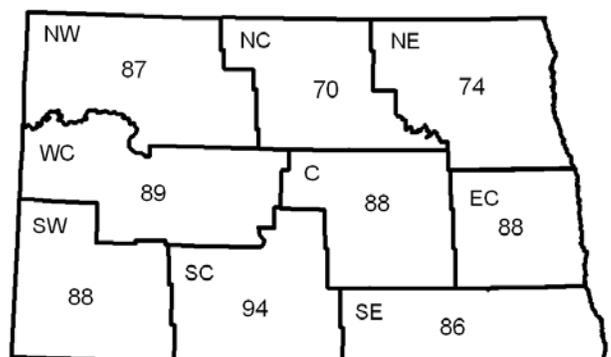
**Sunflower: Percent Harvested**  
**North Dakota, November 6, 2005**



**Corn for Grain: Harvested**  
**North Dakota, November 6, 2005**



**Corn for Grain: Percent Harvested**  
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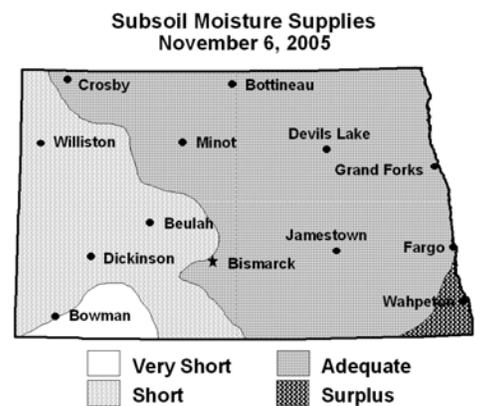
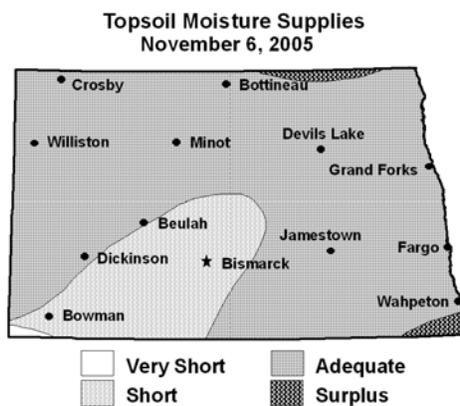
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**NORTH DAKOTA CROP WEATHER REPORT**, Week Ending November 6, 2005

**Soil Moisture**

Date	Week Ending		
	Nov 6, 2005	Oct 30, 2005	Nov 6, 2004
	(Percent)		
<b>TOPSOIL</b>			
Very Short	1	1	5
Short	20	18	16
Adequate	75	78	65
Surplus	4	3	14
<b>SUBSOIL</b>			
Very Short	5	5	13
Short	23	22	18
Adequate	68	69	60
Surplus	4	4	9



**Weather:** Temperatures were mild for the first half of the week. Highs reached into the 50s east and 60s west across the state under mostly sunny skies. Nighttime lows were generally in the 30s across the state. A storm system brought scattered showers across the state on Thursday, with the heaviest rain falling across the northern sections. Rain changed to snow in the north by evening, where there were accumulations of 0.50 of an inch to as much as 4.00 inches in some locations. Temperatures held in the 30s to low 40s on Thursday under the clouds and precipitation. High temperatures rebounded back into the 40s by week's end under partly cloudy skies. The weekend was dry with temperatures above average.

**Outlook, November 7-13:** Warm air out ahead of the next storm system will overspread the state on Monday. Look for highs in the 50s to low 60s. Clouds will increase on Tuesday. Look for a chance of showers during the day, with the best chances in the eastern third. Cold air will move in behind the system by late on Tuesday. Rain should change to snow across the north and east. A dusting to an inch is possible by morning on Wednesday. High temperatures will be in the 40s to around 50 degrees on Tuesday. Look for cooler temperatures, especially east, on Wednesday with highs around 40 degrees northeast to the upper 40s south. Mild air and dry conditions will make a return for the holiday weekend. Highs will be in the upper 40s northeast to around 60 southwest for Veterans Day. Temperatures will be a few degrees cooler on Saturday and Sunday, but still above average.

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations**  
 North Dakota, Week ending November 6, 2005

Stations by District	Temperature Past Week		Seasonal Precipitation Beginning April 1 <sup>1/</sup>		
	High	Low	Past Week	Total	Depart Normal <sup>2/</sup>
	(Degrees F)		(Inches)		
(1) Bowbells	51	26			
Williston	55	26			
Mohall	54	21			
Minot	57	28			
(2) Baker	59	25			
Bottineau	56	21			
Rugby	59	24			
(3) Cando	60	24			
Cavalier	62	23			
Forest River	63	27			
Grand Forks	63	28			
Langdon	58	28			
St. Thomas	63	27			
(4) Hazen	58	21			NOT AVAILABLE
Turtle Lake	58	26			
Watford City	55	25			
(5) Carrington	60	27			
Harvey	60	24			
Jamestown	61	26			
Robinson	60	20			
Streeter	60	23			
(6) Dazey	62	22			
Fargo	63	29			
Hillsboro	62	25			
(7) Beach	58	22			
Bowman	55	22			
Dickinson	55	22			
Hettinger	58	25			
(8) Mandan	59	23			
Linton	63	26			
(9) Edgeley	65	27			
Oakes	66	25			
Wyndmere	65	25			

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations**  
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District Averages	Average Temperature		Seasonal Precipitation Beginning April 1 <sup>1/</sup>		
	Past Week	Depart Normal <sup>2/</sup>	Past Week	Total	Depart Normal <sup>2/</sup>
	(Degrees F)		(Inches)		
Northwest (1)	39	7			
N. Central (2)	40	8			
Northeast (3)	43	10			
W. Central (4)	40	5			NOT AVAILABLE
Central (5)	42	7			
E. Central (6)	43	10			
Southwest (7)	39	4			
S. Central (8)	42	8			
Southeast (9)	45	10			

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