

NORTH DAKOTA CROP, LIVESTOCK, & WEATHER REPORT



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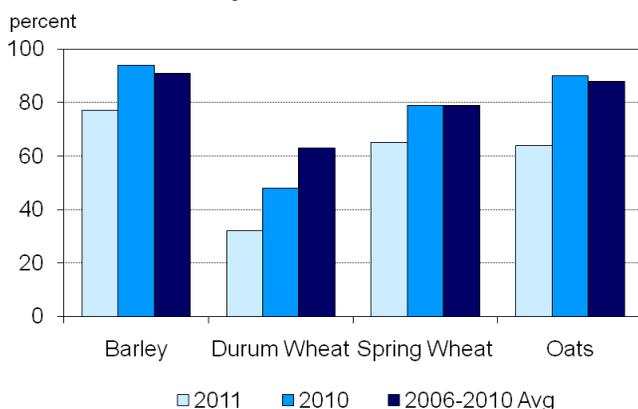
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General: Scattered rain showers provided needed moisture to some areas of the state this week, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 10 short, 73 adequate, and 16 surplus while subsoil moisture supplies were rated 4 percent short, 73 adequate, and 23 surplus. Statewide, on average, there were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork.

Crops: Though harvest was slowed by rain in some areas, small grain growers made progress toward completion. As of September 4, barley was 77 percent harvested. Durum wheat was 91 percent turning and 32 percent harvested. Spring wheat was 65 percent harvested. Oats were 100 percent turning and 64 percent harvested. Canola was 87 percent swathed and 49 percent harvested. Ninety percent of the corn crop had reached the dough stage, behind 99 percent at this point last year but ahead of 83 percent for the five-year average. Corn for silage was 5 percent chopped. Dry edible beans were 90 percent fully podded, 56 percent had lower leaves yellowing, and 23 percent were dropping leaves. Dry edible peas were 79 percent harvested. Flaxseed was 88 percent turning and 19 percent harvested. As of September 4, twenty-two percent of potatoes had vines killed, and 1 percent were dug. Soybeans were 88 percent fully podded and 16 percent had lower leaves yellowing. Thirty-six percent of sunflowers had ray flowers dropped, and 4 percent had bracts turned yellow. Other activities during the week included spraying pesticides and cutting hay.

Livestock: Stockwater supplies were rated 2 percent short, 70 adequate, and 28 surplus. Pasture and range conditions were rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 20 fair, 52 good, and 22 excellent. The second cutting of alfalfa was 89 percent complete. Cutting of other hay was estimated at 93 percent complete. Hay condition was rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 17 fair, 55 good, and 19 excellent.

Small Grains Harvested North Dakota: September 4, 2011



Crop and Pasture Condition North Dakota: September 4, 2011

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Durum wheat.....	-	5	30	55	10
Spring wheat.....	2	9	29	51	9
Oats.....	-	4	24	59	13
Canola.....	-	5	23	60	12
Corn.....	2	9	24	48	17
Dry edible beans.....	3	11	33	43	10
Flaxseed.....	-	5	26	60	9
Potatoes.....	4	10	24	48	14
Soybeans.....	2	9	21	54	14
Sugarbeets.....	2	8	25	52	13
Sunflower.....	-	5	22	59	14
Hay.....	2	7	17	55	19
Pasture and range.....	1	5	20	52	22

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress – North Dakota

(Percentages represent all acreage in or beyond each stage. Progress is based on current intended acreage.)

Crop	Sept 4, 2011 (percent)	Aug 28, 2011 (percent)	Sept 4, 2010 (percent)	2006-2010 Average (percent)
Barley				
Harvested.....	77	58	94	91
Durum wheat				
Turning.....	91	82	99	98
Harvested.....	32	13	48	63
Spring wheat				
Harvested.....	65	43	79	79
Oats				
Turning.....	100	94	100	100
Harvested.....	64	42	90	88
Canola				
Swathed.....	87	72	93	90
Harvested.....	49	30	55	61
Corn, all				
Dough.....	90	74	99	83
Dented.....	36	13	73	51
Mature.....	1	-	12	8
Corn for Silage				
Chopped.....	5	1	13	17
Dry edible beans				
Fully Podded.....	90	72	100	92
Lower Leaves Yellowing.....	56	24	93	76
Dropping Leaves.....	23	(NA)	80	55
Dry edible peas				
Harvested.....	79	61	99	97
Flaxseed				
Turning.....	88	80	96	97
Harvested.....	19	8	24	39
Potatoes				
Vines Killed.....	22	21	47	42
Dug.....	1	(NA)	8	7
Soybeans				
Fully Podded.....	88	70	99	94
Lower Leaves Yellowing.....	16	6	48	49
Sugarbeets				
Lifted.....	-	-	8	4
Sunflower				
Ray Flowers Dried/Dropped ..	36	9	72	73
Bracts Turned Yellow.....	4	(NA)	31	38

- Represents zero. (NA) Not available.

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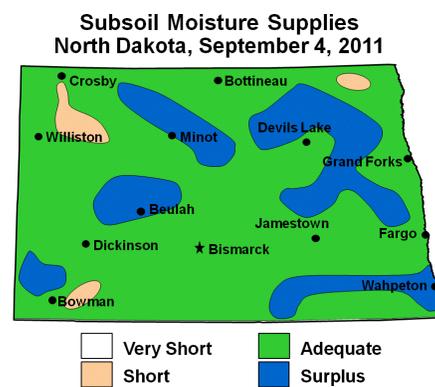
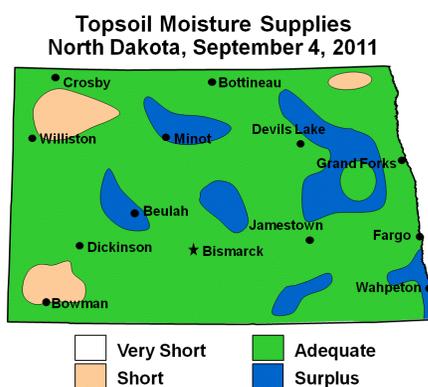
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Soil Moisture Supplies – North Dakota

Item	Sept 4, 2011	Aug 28, 2011	Sept 4, 2010	2006-2010 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil				
Very Short	1	1	1	12
Short	10	9	16	27
Adequate	73	74	76	59
Surplus	16	16	6	2
Subsoil				
Very Short	-	-	1	14
Short	4	3	15	28
Adequate	73	73	77	56
Surplus	23	24	7	2



- Represents zero.

Weather: Temperatures were above normal across much of the state. Precipitation was above normal in parts of the northwest and northeast and near to below normal across the rest of the state. There were showers and thunderstorms in the west and south on Monday with highs in the upper 70s to 80s. Highs on Tuesday were in the upper 60s to mid-80s with showers and thunderstorms in the south and east. There were showers and thunderstorms in the west, central, and northeast on Wednesday with highs in the 70s to low 90s. Severe thunderstorms with large hail and damaging winds were reported in parts of the west, central, and northeast on Wednesday. Highs on Thursday were in the mid-60s to mid-80s with showers and thunderstorms in the west and north. There were showers and thunderstorms in the southwest and south central on Friday with highs in the mid-60s to low 80s. Highs on Saturday were in the upper 60s to low 70s with showers in the northeast. Sunday was dry with highs in the mid-60s to low 70s.

Outlook, September 5-12: Temperatures will be above normal and precipitation will be below normal. Highs on Monday were in the mid-70s to low 80s with dry conditions. Tuesday and Wednesday will be dry with highs in the upper 70s to mid-80s. Highs on Thursday and Friday will be in the low to mid-80s with dry conditions. Saturday and Sunday will be dry with highs in the 80s.

Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
 North Dakota, Week ending September 4, 2011

District Averages	Average Temperature		Seasonal Precipitation Beginning April 1 ¹		
	Past Week	Depart Normal ²	Past Week	Total	Depart Normal ²
	(degrees F)	(degrees F)	(inches)	(inches)	(inches)
Northwest(1)	70	9	0.61	15.31	4.15
N. Central(2)	69	8	0.45	13.77	1.44
Northeast(3)	70	8	0.86	13.39	1.07
W. Central(4)	68	4	0.45	14.97	3.73
Central (5)	69	5	0.27	16.23	4.17
E. Central(6)	71	8	0.24	17.07	3.50
Southwest(7)	69	6	0.34	14.83	4.14
S. Central(8)	69	5	0.15	15.93	4.27
Southeast(9)	68	4	0.05	17.02	3.58

(NA) Not Available ¹ Precipitation amounts may vary due to an inaccurate snowfall melt. ² Normal is the 1971-2000 average. Weather data collected from NDAWN stations and compiled by UND Aerospace Regional Weather Information Center.

Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
 North Dakota, Week ending September 4, 2011

Stations by District	Temperature past week		Seasonal precipitation beginning April 1 ¹		
	High	Low	Past week	Total	Depart normal ²
	(degrees F)	(degrees F)	(inches)	(inches)	(inches)
(1) Bowbells.....	87	54	0.48	15.52	3.89
Williston	86	53	0.28	13.17	3.88
Mohall.....	87	57	0.79	16.21	4.45
Minot.....	85	56	0.89	16.35	4.37
(2) Baker.....	85	55	0.56	14.79	2.91
Bottineau	88	48	0.54	13.01	0.33
Rugby	88	54	0.25	13.50	1.09
(3) Cando	85	52	0.49	13.43	2.08
Cavalier	86	54	0.84	13.47	0.73
Forest River....	88	60	1.24	14.26	2.02
Grand Forks....	85	59	0.68	14.75	2.31
Langdon	84	55	0.67	9.44	-3.48
St. Thomas	83	59	1.24	15.01	2.77
(4) Hazen.....	83	53	0.63	17.44	6.06
Turtle Lake.....	83	53	0.50	11.69	-0.17
Watford City....	86	51	0.21	15.77	5.29
(5) Carrington	83	59	0.64	18.37	4.72
Harvey	85	54	0.41	11.74	1.33
Jamestown	80	57	0.07	17.61	5.12
Robinson	79	57	0.16	15.32	3.64
Streeter.....	78	58	0.05	18.10	6.03
(6) Dazey.....	83	59	0.11	16.91	3.25
Fargo.....	83	61	0.15	16.92	3.63
Hillsboro	85	58	0.46	17.37	3.61
(7) Beach.....	93	45	0.01	14.05	3.85
Bowman	91	47	0.10	17.88	7.51
Dickinson	86	51	1.27	13.83	2.58
Hettinger.....	92	53	0.00	13.55	2.63
(8) Mandan	83	53	0.07	17.82	5.76
Linton.....	84	56	0.22	14.04	2.78
(9) Edgeley	78	58	0.11	16.22	2.97
Oakes	83	56	0.00	16.48	3.89
Wyndmere	83	55	0.03	18.35	3.89

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