

NORTH DAKOTA CROP, LIVESTOCK, & WEATHER REPORT



USDA, NASS
North Dakota
Field Office

Cooperating With:
NDSU EXTENSION SERVICE,
FARM SERVICE AGENCY,
ND AG WEATHER NETWORK (NDAWN)
and
UND AEROSPACE REGIONAL WEATHER
INFORMATION CENTER

Released: October 17, 2011
For Week Ending: October 16, 2011
ND-CW4211

General: Producers statewide benefitted from another week of favorable weather conditions for harvest, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 19 short, 73 adequate, and 7 surplus while subsoil moisture supplies were rated 11 percent short, 75 adequate, and 14 surplus. Statewide, on average, there were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork.

Crops: The cooler temperatures this week allowed the sugarbeet harvest to make significant progress. Sixty-two percent of the sugarbeet crop was harvested. Eighty-three percent of the corn crop had reached the mature stage, and 31 percent had been harvested for grain. Corn for silage was 91 percent chopped. As of October 16, 95 percent of potatoes were dug. Eighty-six percent of soybeans were harvested. Ninety-nine percent of sunflowers had bracts turned brown, and 12 percent had been harvested. Other activities during the week included vaccinating and weaning cattle and winter wheat planting.

Livestock: Stockwater supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 3 short, 82 adequate, and 14 surplus. Pasture and range conditions were rated 1 percent very poor, 8 poor, 23 fair, 53 good, and 15 excellent.

Crop and Pasture Condition North Dakota: October 16, 2011

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Corn.....	3	14	28	47	8
Sugarbeets	2	12	41	39	6
Sunflower.....	-	8	23	58	11
Pasture and range	1	8	23	53	15

- Represents zero.

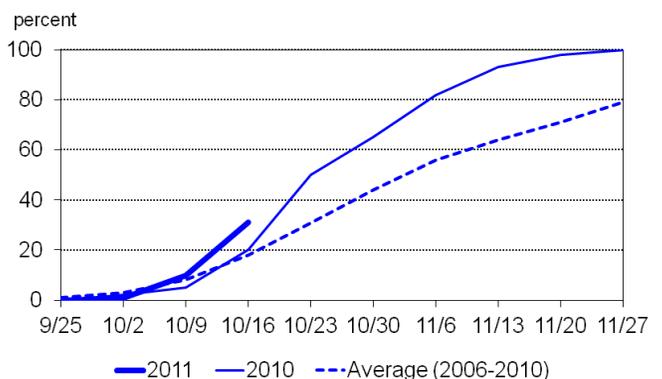
Crop Progress – North Dakota

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

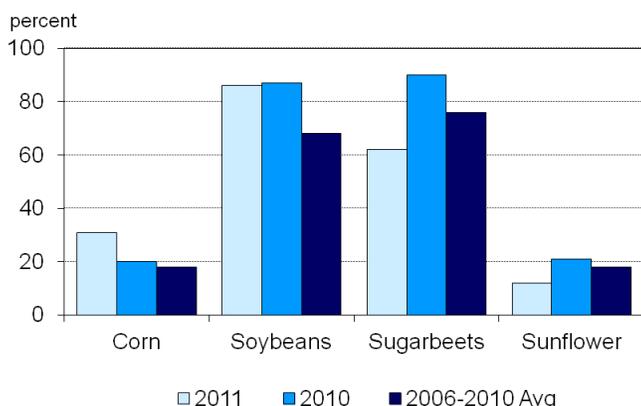
Crop	Oct 16, 2011 (percent)	Oct 9, 2011 (percent)	Oct 16, 2010 (percent)	2006-2010 Average (percent)
Corn, all				
Mature.....	83	77	99	84
Harvested.....	31	10	20	18
Corn for Silage				
Chopped	91	85	96	93
Potatoes				
Dug	95	82	94	93
Soybeans				
Harvested.....	86	79	87	68
Sugarbeets				
Lifted.....	62	18	90	76
Sunflower				
Bracts Turned Brown.....	99	91	96	95
Harvested.....	12	5	21	18

- Represents zero.

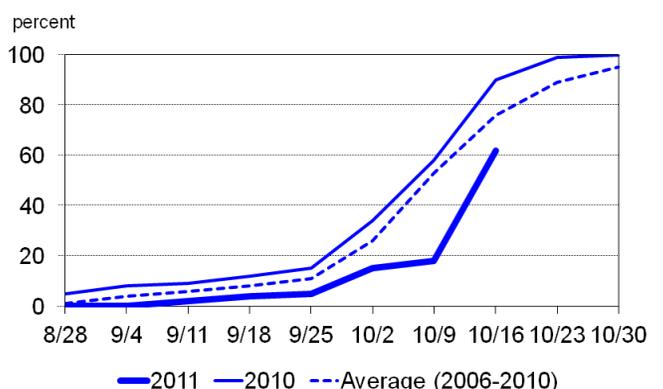
Corn for Grain Harvested - North Dakota



Crops Harvested North Dakota: October 16, 2011



Sugarbeets Lifted – North Dakota



~ Compiled and Published by ~

OFFICIAL BUSINESS
 Penalty for Private Use, \$300

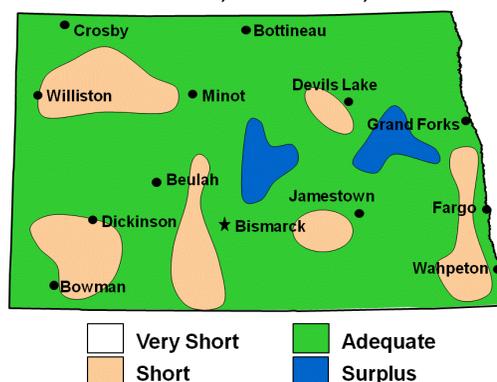
ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Soil Moisture Supplies – North Dakota

Item	Oct 16, 2011	Oct 9, 2011	Oct 16, 2010	2006-2010 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil				
Very Short..	1	1	-	6
Short	19	19	8	20
Adequate...	73	73	84	66
Surplus.....	7	7	8	8
Subsoil				
Very Short..	-	1	-	12
Short	11	10	7	22
Adequate...	75	76	83	58
Surplus.....	14	13	10	8

- Represents zero.

**Topsoil Moisture Supplies
 North Dakota, October 16, 2011**



Weather: Temperatures were near normal in the west and above normal in the central and east. Precipitation was below normal in the west, above normal across much of the central and southeast and below normal in the northeast and east central. There were showers across much of the state on Monday with highs in the mid-50s to mid-60s. There were a few showers across the west, central, and southeast on Tuesday with highs in the mid-60s to mid-70s. Highs on Wednesday were in the mid-60s to low 70s with a few showers and thunderstorms in the central and east. There were showers in the central and southeast on Thursday with highs in the mid-50s to low 60s. Highs on Friday were in the low to mid-50s with a few showers in the central and southeast. Highs on Saturday were in the mid-40s to 50s with showers in parts of the west and south central. Sunday was dry with highs in the low to mid-50s.

Outlook, October 17-23: Temperatures will be near normal with below normal precipitation expected across much of the state. Monday will be dry with highs in the upper 40s to mid-50s. Highs on Tuesday and Wednesday will be in the 40s to mid-50s with dry conditions. Thursday and Friday will be dry with highs in the 50s to low 60s. There will be a chance of showers across the state on Saturday with highs in the upper 40s to 50s. Highs on Sunday will be in the upper 40s to 50s with a chance of showers in the north central and east.

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
 North Dakota, Week ending October 16, 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)	48	3	0.36	16.95	3.57
N. Central(2)	50	6	0.38	15.70	1.05
Northeast (3)	52	6	0.19	15.92	1.37
W. Central(4)	49	1	0.55	17.27	3.87
Central (5)	51	4	0.09	18.26	3.90
E. Central(6)	54	7	0.31	18.12	1.75
Southwest(7)	48	2	0.12	15.73	3.00
S. Central(8)	51	4	0.09	18.15	4.47
Southeast(9)	54	6	0.17	18.47	2.33

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 October 16, 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.....	63	31	0.58	17.00	2.91
Williston.....	67	30	0.09	14.75	3.77
Mohall.....	64	34	0.52	17.36	3.14
Minot.....	63	34	0.26	18.68	4.46
(2) Baker.....	70	33	0.12	17.47	3.40
Bottineau.....	68	32	0.59	14.17	-0.90
Rugby.....	71	31	0.42	15.46	0.64
(3) Cando.....	68	33	0.43	16.37	3.33
Cavalier.....	70	35	0.08	16.99	1.89
Forest River....	70	38	0.16	16.13	1.61
Grand Forks....	70	37	0.30	15.91	0.94
Langdon.....	69	34	0.05	12.93	-2.17
St. Thomas.....	69	38	0.10	17.16	2.64
(4) Hazen.....	69	28	0.07	18.87	5.31
Turtle Lake.....	69	33	0.20	14.19	0.29
Watford City....	67	28	1.39	18.74	6.02
(5) Carrington.....	68	35	0.14	20.69	4.50
Harvey.....	71	32	0.19	14.14	1.72
Jamestown.....	68	36	0.05	19.15	4.36
Robinson.....	71	33	0.02	17.38	3.42
Streeter.....	70	33	0.06	19.92	5.51
(6) Dazey.....	70	37	0.11	18.03	1.78
Fargo.....	74	38	0.49	17.84	1.58
Hillsboro.....	71	35	0.34	18.49	1.90
(7) Beach.....	68	30	0.10	15.05	2.83
Bowman.....	69	27	0.09	19.11	6.82
Dickinson.....	68	30	0.10	14.46	1.01
Hettinger.....	70	28	0.18	14.29	1.34
(8) Mandan.....	68	34	0.06	19.69	5.51
Linton.....	69	34	0.11	16.60	3.44
(9) Edgeley.....	67	36	0.12	18.50	2.96
Oakes.....	72	35	0.14	17.54	1.94
Wyndmere.....	76	38	0.25	19.37	2.08

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.