

NORTH DAKOTA CROP, LIVESTOCK, & WEATHER REPORT



USDA, NASS
North Dakota
Field Office

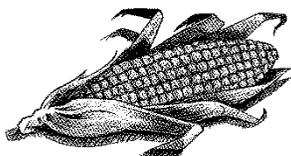
Cooperating With:
NDSU EXTENSION SERVICE,
FARM SERVICE AGENCY,
ND AG WEATHER NETWORK (NDAWN)
and
UND AEROSPACE REGIONAL WEATHER
INFORMATION CENTER

Released: October 24, 2011
For Week Ending: October 23, 2011
ND-CW4311

General: Favorable weather conditions continued statewide as harvesting activities for many crops concluded, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 20 short, 72 adequate, and 7 surplus while subsoil moisture supplies were rated 11 percent short, 78 adequate, and 11 surplus. Statewide, on average, there were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork.

Crops: The excellent weather conditions allowed the sugarbeet harvest to reach completion in most areas, and significant progress was made in harvesting corn. Ninety-eight percent of the sugarbeet crop was harvested. Ninety-seven percent of the corn crop had reached the mature stage, and 71 percent had been harvested for grain. Corn for silage was 93 percent chopped. Ninety-three percent of soybeans were harvested. Thirty-five percent of sunflowers had been harvested. Other activities during the week included fall tillage and fertilizer application.

Livestock: Stockwater supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 4 short, 84 adequate, and 11 surplus. Pasture and range conditions were rated 1 percent very poor, 11 poor, 28 fair, 50 good, and 10 excellent. Other activities during the week included vaccinating and weaning cattle.



Crop and Pasture Condition North Dakota: October 23, 2011

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Corn.....	2	13	28	49	8
Sunflower.....	-	8	25	60	7
Pasture and range ...	1	11	28	50	10

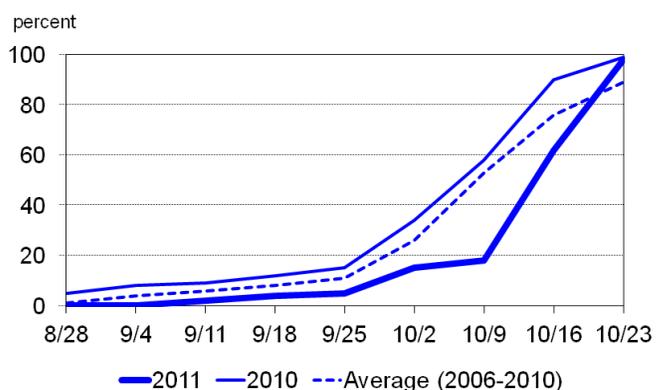
- Represents zero.

Crop Progress – North Dakota

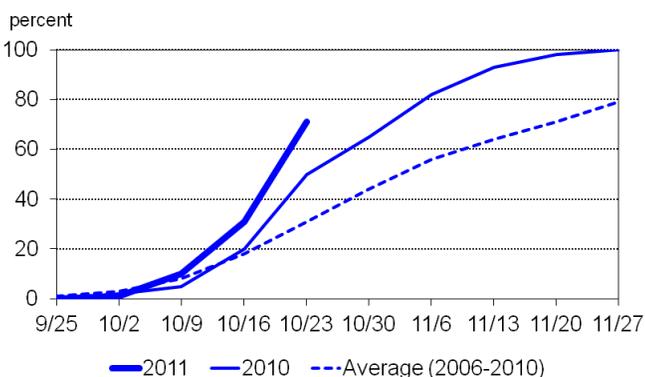
(Percentages represent all acreage in or beyond each stage. Progress is based on current intended acreage.)

Crop	Oct 23, 2011 (percent)	Oct 16, 2011 (percent)	Oct 23, 2010 (percent)	2006-2010 Average (percent)
Corn, all				
Mature.....	97	83	100	88
Harvested.....	71	31	50	31
Corn for Silage				
Chopped	93	91	100	96
Soybeans				
Harvested.....	93	86	97	75
Sugarbeets				
Lifted.....	98	62	99	89
Sunflower				
Harvested.....	35	12	40	31

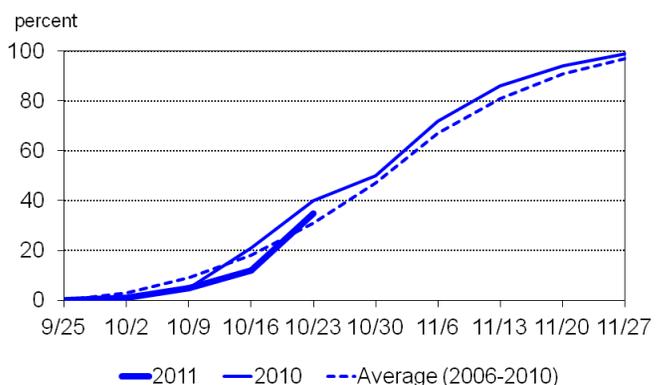
Sugarbeets Lifted – North Dakota



Corn for Grain Harvested – North Dakota



Sunflower Harvested – North Dakota



~ Compiled and Published by ~

OFFICIAL BUSINESS
 Penalty for Private Use, \$300

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

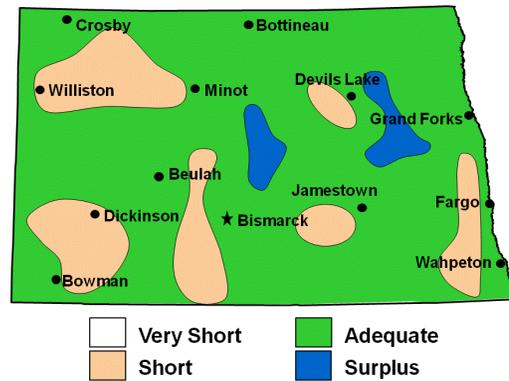
NORTH DAKOTA CROP WEATHER REPORT, Week Ending October 23, 2011

Soil Moisture Supplies – North Dakota

Item	Oct 23, 2011	Oct 16, 2011	Oct 23, 2010	2006-2010 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil				
Very Short..	1	1	-	5
Short	20	19	13	20
Adequate...	72	73	81	66
Surplus.....	7	7	6	9
Subsoil				
Very Short..	-	-	-	12
Short	11	11	9	22
Adequate...	78	75	84	58
Surplus.....	11	14	7	8

- Represents zero.

**Topsoil Moisture Supplies
 North Dakota, October 23, 2011**



Weather: Temperatures were near normal in the far west and below normal across much of the rest of the state. Precipitation was below normal statewide. Monday was dry with highs in the 50s. Highs on Tuesday were in the mid-40s to 50s with dry conditions. Wednesday was dry with highs in the 40s to 50s. Dry conditions continued on Thursday with highs in the 50s to 60s. Highs on Friday were in the mid-50s to mid-60s with dry conditions. There were showers across much of the state on Saturday with highs in the 60s. Highs on Sunday were in the mid-50s to low 60s with a few showers and thunderstorms in parts of the west and central.

Outlook, October 24-30: Temperatures will be above normal statewide. Precipitation will be near to below normal across much of the state. There will be a few showers across the state on Monday with highs in the 50s. There will be a chance of rain or snow in the west and rain showers in the east on Tuesday with highs in the mid-40s to low 50s. Wednesday and Thursday will be dry with highs in the mid-40s to low 50s. There will be a chance of rain or snow showers in the northeast on Friday with highs in the mid-40s to low 50s. Saturday and Sunday will be dry with highs in the mid-40s to mid-50s.

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
 North Dakota, Week ending October 23, 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.....					
Williston.....					
Mohall.....					
Minot.....					
(2) Baker.....					
Bottineau.....					
Rugby.....					
(3) Cando.....					
Cavalier.....					
Forest River....					
Grand Forks....					
Langdon.....					
St. Thomas.....					
(4) Hazen.....					
Turtle Lake.....					
Watford City....					
(5) Carrington.....					
Harvey.....					
Jamestown.....					
Robinson.....					
Streeter.....					
(6) Dazey.....					
Fargo.....					
Hillsboro.....					
(7) Beach.....					
Bowman.....					
Dickinson.....					
Hettinger.....					
(8) Mandan.....					
Linton.....					
(9) Edgeley.....					
Oakes.....					
Wyndmere.....					

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
 North Dakota, Week ending October 23, 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)					
N. Central(2)					
Northeast(3)					
W. Central(4)					
Central(5)					
E. Central(6)					
Southwest(7)					
S. Central(8)					
Southeast(9)					

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.

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.