



News Release

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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND September 8, 2014 – For the week ending September 7, 2014, persistent rainfall hindered harvest of small grains, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The northern and central parts of the State received enough moisture to significantly slow harvest progress. Hail was reported in isolated areas, impacting standing crops. Even though the southern third of the State received mid-week moisture, it was not as much as the rest of the State and producers were able to make good harvest progress. Warmer and drier conditions were needed to help row crops reach maturity. Statewide, there were 4.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 3 short, 78 adequate, and 19 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 4 short, 82 adequate, and 14 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat harvested reached 76 percent.

Durum wheat turning color was 96 percent, near 99 last year and 98 for the five-year average. Mature was 69 percent. Harvested was 20 percent, well behind 45 last year and 53 average. Conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 4 poor, 19 fair, 71 good, and 6 excellent.

Spring wheat mature was 92 percent. Harvested was 42 percent, well behind 70 last year and 74 average. Conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 20 fair, 58 good, and 16 excellent.

Barley harvested was 62 percent, behind 76 last year and 86 average. Conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 5 poor, 23 fair, 60 good, and 12 excellent.

Oats mature was 93 percent. Harvested was 54 percent, well behind 86 last year and 84 average. Conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 15 fair, 68 good, and 11 excellent.

Canola harvested was 40 percent, behind 53 last year and 59 average. Conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 14 fair, 62 good, and 22 excellent.

Flaxseed turning color was 95 percent, ahead of 89 last year, but equal to the average. Harvested was 16 percent, behind 21 last year and 33 average. Conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 19 fair, 71 good, and 8 excellent.

Dry edible peas harvested was 84 percent, behind 92 last year and 94 average.

Dry beans dropping leaves was 75 percent, ahead of 58 last year and 55 average. Harvested was 8 percent, near 9 last year, but behind 12 average. Conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 25 fair, 54 good, and 11 excellent.

Potatoes at the vines dry stage was 25 percent, near 23 last year, but behind 39 average. Conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 27 fair, 54 good, and 11 excellent.

Corn in the dough stage was 88 percent, near 87 last year and equal to the average. Dented was 37 percent, behind last year at 48 and 56 average. Conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 17 fair, 57 good, and 21 excellent.

Soybeans dropping leaves was 19 percent, behind 31 last year and 25 average. Conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 20 fair, 59 good, and 16 excellent.

Sunflowers at the ray flowers dry stage was 60 percent, ahead of last year at 44, but near 63 average. Bracts yellow were 4 percent, behind 9 last year and well behind 27 average. Conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 16 fair, 70 good, and 13 excellent.

Sugarbeets harvested was 2 percent, near 3 last year and 5 average. Conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 28 fair, 49 good, and 15 excellent.

Second cutting of alfalfa was 84 percent complete, behind last year at 100 and average at 96. Alfalfa conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 13 fair, 63 good, and 20 excellent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 13 fair, 62 good, and 22 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 83 adequate, and 15 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and NDSU Extension Service.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:
<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2014/CropProg-09-08-2014.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:
http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=ND®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:
<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?ND>