



News Release

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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND, July 27, 2015 – For the week ending July 26, 2015, warm and dry conditions were experienced in parts of the State, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Eastern areas received up to an inch of rain; however, dry conditions and signs of drought stress were reported in the west. There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 11 short, 75 adequate, and 14 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 7 short, 82 adequate, and 11 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 27 fair, 54 good, and 11 excellent. Winter wheat coloring was 92 percent, well ahead of 70 last year. Mature was 27 percent, well ahead of 3 last year.

Durum wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 17 fair, 63 good, and 19 excellent. Durum wheat headed was 92 percent, well ahead of 47 last year, and ahead of the five-year average of 73. Coloring was 51 percent, well ahead of 9 last year and 19 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 13 fair, 65 good, and 19 excellent. Spring wheat headed was 99 percent, ahead of 89 last year and 92 average. Coloring was 66 percent, well ahead of 26 last year and 37 average. Mature was 13 percent, ahead of 2 last year.

Barley condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 15 fair, 69 good, and 14 excellent. Barley coloring was 80 percent, well ahead of 32 last year and 43 average. Mature was 9 percent, ahead of 1 last year.

Oats condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 13 fair, 67 good, and 15 excellent. Oats coloring was 79 percent, well ahead of 27 last year and 38 average. Mature was 6 percent, near 3 last year.

Corn condition rated 0 percent very poor, 4 poor, 16 fair, 67 good, and 13 excellent. Corn silking was 54 percent, well ahead of 31 last year, but near 53 average.

Soybean condition rated 0 percent very poor, 4 poor, 15 fair, 67 good, and 14 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 86 percent, ahead of 76 last year and 78 average. Setting pods was 51 percent, well ahead of 31 last year, and ahead of 37 average.

Canola condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 14 fair, 65 good, and 19 excellent. Canola coloring was 33 percent, ahead of 23 last year, but near 29 average.

Sunflower condition rated 0 percent very poor, 8 poor, 18 fair, 66 good, and 8 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 25 percent, well ahead of 3 last year, and ahead of 12 average.

Flaxseed condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 15 fair, 75 good, and 8 excellent. Flaxseed blooming was 96 percent, ahead of 84 last year and 82 average. Coloring was 28 percent, well ahead of 4 last year, and ahead of 12 average.

Dry edible peas condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 16 fair, 67 good, and 15 excellent. Dry edible peas dropping leaves was 46 percent.

Dry edible beans condition rated 0 percent very poor, 6 poor, 20 fair, 60 good, and 14 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 75 percent, ahead of 64 last year, but near 73 average. Setting pods was 27 percent, near 30 last year, but behind 33 average.

Potatoes condition rated 3 percent very poor, 5 poor, 26 fair, 51 good, and 15 excellent. Potatoes blooming was 96 percent, ahead of 86 last year and 89 average. Rows filled was 64 percent, well ahead of 38 last year, and ahead of 54 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 2 percent very poor, 9 poor, 28 fair, 51 good, and 10 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was 96 percent, ahead of 91 last year, but near 95 average. Second cutting was 34 percent, well ahead of 9 last year, and ahead of 20 average.

Sugarbeet condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 17 fair, 62 good, and 19 excellent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 18 fair, 65 good, and 13 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 4 short, 87 adequate, and 9 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/2015/CropProg-07-27-2015.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>