



News Release

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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND, May 18, 2015 – For the week ending May 17, 2015, fieldwork activity was halted as persistent, wet weather prevailed over much of the State, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Most of the state experienced two to five inches of moisture. The south central part of the state received significant snowfall, which caused some deaths to newborn calves and lambs. Temperatures for the week were four to eight degrees below normal. Below freezing temperatures occurred Sunday night, however, it was too early to tell the impact on emerged crops. Days suitable for fieldwork were 2.5. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 4 short, 75 adequate, and 21 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 6 short, 78 adequate, and 16 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 13 poor, 32 fair, 48 good, and 6 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 40 percent, well ahead of 17 last year.

Durum wheat planted was 71 percent, well ahead of 12 last year and the five-year average of 34. Emerged was 25 percent, well ahead of 1 last year and ahead of 16 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 3 poor, 23 fair, 67 good, and 5 excellent. Spring wheat planted was 90 percent, well ahead of 23 last year and 51 average. Emerged was 53 percent, well ahead of 5 last year and 28 average.

Barley condition rated 0 percent very poor, 4 poor, 28 fair, 61 good, and 7 excellent. Barley planted was 89 percent, well ahead of 20 last year and 44 average. Emerged was 51 percent, well ahead of 3 last year and 23 average.

Oats condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 18 fair, 64 good, and 11 excellent. Oats planted was 85 percent was well ahead of 27 last year and 49 average. Emerged was 38 percent, well ahead of 5 last year and ahead of 24 average.

Corn planted was 70 percent, well ahead of 15 last year and 48 average. Emerged was 12 percent, ahead of 0 last year, and near 15 average.

Soybeans planted was 32 percent, well ahead of 4 last year and 21 average. Emerged was 3 percent, ahead of 0 last year, and near 2 average.

Canola planted was 70 percent, well ahead of 11 last year and 38 average. Emerged was 24 percent, well ahead of 1 last year and ahead of 14 average.

Sunflowers planted was 14 percent, ahead of 1 last year and 8 average.

Flaxseed planted was 46 percent, well ahead of 4 last year and 22 average.

Dry edible peas planted was 92 percent complete, well ahead of 21 last year and 50 average. Emerged was 44 percent, well ahead of 3 last year and 18 average.

Dry edible beans planted was 11 percent, ahead of 2 last year, and near 12 average.

Potatoes planted was 52 percent, well ahead of 5 last year and 36 average. Emerged was 4 percent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 26 fair, 58 good, and 8 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 4 short, 82 adequate, and 14 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-05-18-2015.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>