



Oklahoma Crop Weather

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Mild, Pleasant Weather with Little Rain

The majority of the State experienced mild temperatures and clear skies last week with the week's average rainfall only reaching 0.20 inches for Oklahoma. Temperatures averaged in the mid-to-low sixties but mid-week brought summer-like weather with temperatures reaching the eighties throughout the State. The weekend arrived with plenty of sun and warm temperatures and only a fifty percent chance of rain. Drought conditions have slightly decreased across the State but precipitation is still needed. Despite the relatively dry conditions last week, subsoil and topsoil moisture conditions were rated mostly in the adequate to short range. Due to pleasant weather, there were 6.7 days suitable for field work.

Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent

Week Ending Sunday, October 10, 2010

Moisture Rating	Topsoil			Subsoil		
	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
Very Short	18	14	5	24	15	8
Short	44	39	9	36	41	13
Adequate	38	47	60	40	44	66
Surplus	0	0	26	0	0	13

Small Grains: Producers are continuing small grain planting but fields are in much need of moisture. **Wheat** seedbed preparation was 96 percent complete by Sunday, and 66 percent of wheat was planted, a 16 point increase from the previous week, while 37 percent of wheat had emerged. **Rye** planted reached 92 percent complete by the end of the week and 63 percent of rye had emerged, two points behind the five-year average. Seventy-seven percent of **oat** seedbeds were prepared by Sunday while 26 percent of oats were planted and ten percent had emerged. **Canola** planting was 76 percent complete by Sunday, an increase of 13 points, and 36 percent of the canola plants had emerged.

Row Crops: Row crop harvest continued across much of the State last week. **Corn** harvested was 94 percent complete by week's end, 12 points ahead of the five-year average. Eighty percent of **sorghum** had matured by Sunday, 24 points ahead of normal. Thirty-eight percent of sorghum was harvested by week's end, ten points ahead of normal. **Soybeans** at maturity reached 61 percent complete by week's end and 27 percent of the crop had been harvested. Eighty-eight percent of **peanut** plants had matured by week's end, a seven point increase from the previous week and ten points ahead of normal. Fifty percent of the peanut crop had been dug by Sunday and 25 percent were combined. **Cotton** harvest was 16 percent complete by Sunday, eight points ahead of the five-year average and 11 points ahead of the previous year.

Hay: Alfalfa and other hay conditions were rated as mostly good to fair. Lack of rain helped hay producers continue with fieldwork. **Alfalfa** fifth cutting was 68 percent complete and sixth cutting reached seven percent complete by week's end. **Other hay** second cutting was 87 percent complete by Sunday.

Pasture and Range: Pasture and range conditions were rated mostly in the good to fair range and are in need of moisture.

Livestock: Livestock conditions rated mostly in the good to fair range with eight percent rated excellent. Prices for feeder steers less than 800 pounds averaged \$110 per cwt. Prices for heifers less than 800 pounds averaged \$103 per cwt.

Conditions by Percent

For Week Ending Sunday, October 10, 2010

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Row Crops -					
Sorghum	0	3	35	48	14
Soybeans	1	10	45	37	7
Peanuts	0	1	20	64	15
Cotton	2	8	35	42	13
Hay -					
Alfalfa Hay	3	9	46	39	3
Other Hay	2	10	47	38	3
Livestock, Pasture and Range -					
Livestock	0	5	30	57	8
Pasture and Range	6	17	41	34	2

Crop Progress by Percent

Crop and Event	Week Ending			2005-2009 Average	Crop and Event	Week Ending			2005-2009 Average
	October 10, 2010	October 3, 2010	October 13, 2009			October 10, 2010	October 3, 2010	October 13, 2009	
Wheat -					Soybeans -				
Seedbed Prepared	96	90	95	96	Mature	61	48	46	57
Planted	66	50	66	67	Harvested	27	19	16	27
Emerged	37	23	45	41	Peanuts -				
Rye -					Mature	88	81	69	78
Planted	92	73	92	88	Dug	50	26	30	29
Emerged	63	42	74	65	Combined	25	11	15	15
Oats -					Cotton -				
Seedbed Prepared	77	72	79	78	Harvested	16	11	5	8
Planted	26	21	34	34	Alfalfa -				
Emerged	10	5	19	14	5th Cutting	68	54	51	66
Corn-					6th Cutting	7	N/A	N/A	15
Harvested	94	92	64	82	Other Hay -				
Sorghum -					2nd Cutting	87	83	77	80
Mature	80	65	44	56					
Harvested	38	34	17	28					

Weather for Week Ending October 10, 2010: Temperatures ranged from 29 degrees at Oilton on Monday, October 4th, to 92 degrees at Buffalo on Thursday, October 7th. Precipitation ranged from zero in the East Central and Southeast districts, to 0.46 of an inch in the North Central district. Soil temperature averages ranged from 58 degrees at Miami on Monday, October 4th, to 75 degrees at Buffalo and Medicine Park on Friday, October 8th.

Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data

Week Ending Sunday, October 10, 2010

District	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	This Week	September 1, 2010 to October 10, 2010		
					Total	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Degrees	Degrees	Degrees	Inches	Inches	Inches	Percent	
Panhandle	81	49	65	0.29	1.25	-1.12	53
West Central	82	51	66	0.03	1.80	-2.06	47
Southwest	83	50	66	0.39	3.44	-0.91	79
North Central	82	49	65	0.46	2.38	-1.61	60
Central	82	47	64	0.30	4.39	-0.90	83
South Central	81	46	63	0.13	5.99	0.28	105
Northeast	80	46	62	0.16	5.48	-0.47	92
East Central	79	45	62	0.00	8.37	2.03	132
Southeast	81	41	60	0.00	4.38	-1.79	71