



Oklahoma Crop Weather

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Weekly Summary for Apr 6 - Apr 12

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Although some rainfall was received last week, drought conditions continued to worsen across the state. The percentage of the state that experienced extreme to exceptional conditions increased to 39 percent last week, up 2 points from the previous week and up 13 points from the previous year. Conditions were most intense across the western half of the state, though the most recent Drought Monitor showed conditions worsening in the North Central and Northeast districts. Precipitation levels averaged less than an inch across the state with the exception of the West Central district, which recorded up to 1.18 inches. The Southeast and East Central districts continued to record precipitation levels above normal, while the remaining districts averaged departures below their respective normal averages.

Overall, temperatures averaged in the mid 60's across the state, with Boise City recording the lowest at 25 degrees on Saturday, April 10th and Hollis recording the highest at 96 degrees on Tuesday, April 7th. Topsoil moisture conditions were rated mostly adequate to short, with subsoil moisture rated short to adequate. There were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork.

Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent

Week Ending Sunday, April 12, 2015

Moisture Rating	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago
Topsoil			
Very Short	25	20	42
Short	33	36	34
Adequate	38	40	23
Surplus	4	4	1
Subsoil			
Very Short	37	35	44
Short	32	35	36
Adequate	29	29	19
Surplus	2	1	1

Small Grains: Ninety-eight percent of **oats** had been seeded by Sunday, up 16 points from the previous year and 4 points above normal. **Winter wheat** jointing reached 89 percent by Sunday, up 13 points from the previous year and up 8 points from normal. **Canola** conditions were rated 56 percent fair to good. **Rye** jointing jumped to 84 percent, in line with normal. Lack of adequate moisture continued to slow small grain progress in the Panhandle.

Row Crops: **Corn** seedbed preparation reached 79 percent by week's end, up 3 points from the previous year. **Sorghum** seedbed preparation was 47 percent complete, down 6 points from last year and in line with normal. **Soybean** seedbed preparation reached 33 percent complete, 2 points behind normal. Seedbed preparation of **cotton** was 62 percent complete by the end of the week, up 2 points from the previous year, and up 4 points from normal.

Pasture and Livestock: Conditions of pasture and range remained rated at 71 percent fair to good. Livestock conditions were rated 86 percent good to fair. Livestock markets continued to hold strong.

Conditions by Percent

For Week Ending Sunday, April 12, 2015

Commodity	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat	8	18	38	33	3
Rye	9	19	45	24	3
Oats	5	28	44	21	2
Canola	15	24	36	20	5
Livestock	2	6	35	51	6
Pasture and Range	7	19	39	32	3

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Crop Progress by Percent
For Week Ending Sunday, April 12, 2015

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	Five Year Average
Wheat	Jointing	89	68	76	81
	Headed	6	N/A	3	16
Canola	Blooming	45	17	41	51
Rye	Jointing	84	72	44	81
Oats	Planted	98	78	82	94
	Emerged	74	67	68	33
Corn	Seedbed Prepared	79	66	76	80
Sorghum	Seedbed Prepared	47	38	53	47
Soybeans	Seedbed Prepared	33	26	41	35
Peanuts	Seedbed Prepared	32	12	46	47
Cotton	Seedbed Prepared	62	55	60	58

Weather for Month Ending April 12, 2015: Temperatures ranged from 25 degrees at Boise City on Friday, April 10th to 96 degrees at Hollis on Tuesday, April 7th. Precipitation ranged from 0.04 of an inch in the South Central district to 1.18 inches in the West Central district. Soil temperature averages ranged from 55 degrees at Vinita on Monday, April 6th to 74 degrees at Fairview on Tuesday, April 7th.

Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data
For Week Ending Sunday, April 12, 2015

District	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	Current Week	Mar 1, 2015 to April 12, 2015		
					Total	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
	Degrees	Degrees	Degrees	Inches	Inches	Inches	Percent
Panhandle	78	43	61	0.17	0.99	-1.09	48
North Central	79	50	65	0.49	1.39	-2.24	38
Northeast	77	53	65	0.22	3.30	-1.67	66
West Central	80	51	66	1.18	1.89	-1.24	61
Central	78	54	66	0.19	3.28	-1.05	76
East Central	77	54	66	0.05	5.28	-0.08	101
Southwest	80	54	67	0.21	1.82	-1.39	57
South Central	78	56	67	0.04	4.02	-0.65	86
Southeast	77	55	66	0.16	6.47	0.42	107

