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# **Oklahoma Crop Weather**

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Weekly Summary for March 4-10

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Last week was cold and dry throughout the state and some parts haven't seen rain in over 60 days. Overall, the precipitation for the week has been 30 percent above normal. According to OCS Mesonet, drought conditions were rated 12 percent abnormally dry to exceptional, up 1 point from the previous week. Statewide, temperatures averaged in the high 30's, with the lowest recording of -2 degrees at Kenton on March 5th. The highest temperature was 77 degrees recorded at Mangum on March 9th. Topsoil and subsoil moisture conditions were rated mostly adequate to surplus. There were 4.1 days suitable for fieldwork.

**Small Grains:** Winter wheat jointing reached 5 percent, down 7 points from the previous year and down 5 points from normal. Rye jointing reached 1 percent, down 1 point from the previous year and down 7 points from normal.

**Pasture and Livestock**: Pasture and range condition was rated at 76 percent good to fair. Livestock condition was rated at 89 percent good to fair.

#### Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent

For Week Ending March 10, 2019

| Moisture Rating | Current Week | Previous Week | One Year Ago |  |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--|
| Topsoil         |              |               |              |  |
| Very Short      | 4            | 5             | 42           |  |
| Short           | 20           | 19            | 19           |  |
| Adequate        | 45           | 45            | 37           |  |
| Surplus         | 31           | 31            | 2            |  |
| Subsoil         |              |               |              |  |
| Very Short      | 5            | 5             | 44           |  |
| Short           | 18           | 11            | 24           |  |
| Adequate        | 48           | 55            | 29           |  |
| Surplus         | 29           | 29            | 3            |  |

#### **Crop Conditions by Percent** For Week Ending March 10, 2019

| Commodity         | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|-------------------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| Wheat             | 1         | 8    | 35   | 48   | 8         |
| Rye               | 8         | 6    | 53   | 30   | 3         |
| Oats              | 5         | 2    | 36   | 52   | 5         |
| Canola            | 3         | 11   | 36   | 46   | 4         |
| Livestock         | 1         | 6    | 34   | 55   | 4         |
| Pasture and Range | 5         | 18   | 41   | 35   | 1         |

# Crop Progress by Percent For Week Ending March 10, 2019

| Crop  | Stage    | Current Week | Previous Week | One Year Ago | Five Year Average |
|-------|----------|--------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Wheat | Jointing | 5            | (N/A)         | 12           | 10                |
| Rye   | Jointing | 1            | (N/A)         | 2            | 8                 |

(N/A) Not available.

**Weather for Week Ending:** Temperatures ranged from -2 degrees at Kenton on Tuesday, March 5th to 77 degrees at Mangum on Saturday, March 9th. Precipitation ranged from 0.03 of an inch in the North Central to 1.02 inches in the Southeast district. Soil temperature averages ranged from 30 degrees at Breckinridge on Tuesday, March 5th to 61 degrees at Idabel on Saturday, March 9th.

### Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data For Week Ending March 10, 2019

|               | Temperature |         |         | Precipitation   |                                     |                       |                   |
|---------------|-------------|---------|---------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Districts     | High        | Low     | Average | Current<br>Week | September 1, 2018 to March 10, 2019 |                       |                   |
|               |             |         |         |                 | Total                               | Departure from Normal | Percent of Normal |
|               |             | degrees |         | inches          | inches                              | inches                | percent           |
| Panhandle     | 51          | 20      | 36      | 0.10            | 8.58                                | 1.89                  | 128               |
| North Central | 47          | 24      | 36      | 0.03            | 14.94                               | 3.16                  | 127               |
| Northeast     | 47          | 25      | 37      | 0.49            | 18.75                               | 0.16                  | 101               |
| West Central  | 51          | 26      | 38      | 0.06            | 17.39                               | 6.30                  | 157               |
| Central       | 50          | 28      | 39      | 0.44            | 19.38                               | 3.27                  | 120               |
| East Central  | 51          | 29      | 40      | 0.63            | 24.38                               | 2.05                  | 109               |
| Southwest     | 53          | 29      | 40      | 0.58            | 18.53                               | 5.95                  | 147               |
| South Central | 55          | 32      | 43      | 0.55            | 31.75                               | 12.66                 | 166               |
| Southeast     | 56          | 34      | 45      | 1.02            | 34.03                               | 8.31                  | 132               |

