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Oklahoma Crop Progress and Condition

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For the month of December, rainfall totals averaged 1.86 inches throughout the state, with the East Central district recording the highest precipitation at 3.15 inches and the Panhandle district recording the lowest precipitation at 0.16 of an inch. According to the December 27th, US Drought Monitor Report, 98 percent of the state was in the abnormally dry to exceptional drought category, up 3 points from the previous year. Additionally, 90 percent of the state was in the moderate drought to exceptional drought category, unchanged from the previous year. Statewide temperatures averaged in the high 30's and low 40's, with the lowest recording of -7 degrees at Vinita on Thursday, December 22nd and the highest recording of 83 degrees at Tipton on Monday, December 5th. Topsoil and subsoil moisture conditions were rated mostly adequate to short.

Small Grains: Winter wheat grazed reached 32 percent, down 4 points from the previous year. Rye grazed reached 2 percent, down 8 points from the previous year. Oats grazed reached 2 percent, down 1 point from the previous year.

Pasture and Livestock: Pasture and range condition was rated at 66 percent poor to fair. Livestock condition was rated at 71 percent fair to good.

Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent

For Month Ending December 31, 2022

Moisture Rating	Current Month	One Year Ago		
Topsoil				
Very Short	24	43		
Short	34	35		
Adequate	41	21		
Surplus	1	1		
Subsoil				
Very Short	31	37		
Short	35	40		
Adequate	34	23		
Surplus	0	0		

Crop Conditions by Percent

For Month Ending December 31, 2022

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Commodity	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat	4	23	35	37	1
Rye	6	19	48	27	0
Oats	9	17	31	43	0
Livestock	5	20	39	32	4
Pasture and Range	18	33	33	15	1

Crop Progress by Percent

For Month Ending December 31, 2022

Crop	Stage	Current Month	One Year Ago
Wheat	Grazed	32	36
Rye	Grazed	4	10
Oats	Grazed	2	3

Weather for Week Ending: Temperatures ranged from -7 degrees at Vinita on Thursday, December 22nd to 83 degrees at Tipton on Monday, December 5th. Precipitation ranged from 0.16 of an inch in the Panhandle district to 3.15 inches in the East Central district. Soil temperature averages ranged from 20 degrees at May Ranch on Friday, December 23rd to 63 degrees at Idabel on Friday, December 9th.

Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data

For Month Ending December 31, 2022

	Temperature		Precipitation				
Districts	High Low			Current	September 1, 2022 to January 2, 2023		
		Average	Week	Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal	
		degrees		inches	inches	inches	percent
Panhandle	51	20	36	0.16	1.49	-3.60	29
North Central	49	26	37	1.20	4.62	-4.27	52
Northeast	49	29	39	2.61	9.07	-4.75	66
West Central	51	27	39	1.16	5.82	-2.58	69
Central	51	29	40	2.13	7.83	-4.21	65
East Central	51	32	41	3.15	12.92	-3.38	79
Southwest	53	31	41	1.27	8.17	-1.24	87
South Central	54	33	43	1.99	10.39	-3.41	75
Southeast	54	34	44	3.04	15.20	-2.91	84