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Oklahoma Crop Progress and Condition

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Weekly Summary for April 24 – April 30

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The state welcomed much needed rainfall for a majority of last week. Rainfall totals in Oklahoma averaged 1.89 of an inch. According to the April 25th US Drought Monitor Report, drought conditions were rated 65 percent abnormally dry to exceptional drought, down 12 points from last year. Additionally, 54 percent of the state was in the moderate drought to exceptional drought categories, down 11 points from the previous year. Statewide, temperatures averaged in the low to mid 50's. Topsoil moisture conditions were rated adequate to short. Subsoil moisture conditions were rated very short to adequate. There were 3.7 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grains: Wheat continued to be cut for hay due to little grain development. Winter wheat jointing reached 92 percent, up 8 points from the previous year. Winter wheat headed reached 43 percent, up 6 points from the previous year but down 5 points from normal. Canola blooming reached 55 percent, down 5 points from the previous year and down 19 points from normal. Rye jointing reached 88 percent, up 2 points from the previous year but down 2 points from normal. Rye headed reached 53 percent. Oats jointing reached 63 percent, up 9 points from the previous year and up 11 points from normal. Oats headed reached 25 percent.

Row Crops: While the rainfall received might be too late for small grains, it will help provide needed moisture for row crops being planted. Corn planted reached 37 percent, up 6 points from the previous year and up 3 points from normal. Corn emerged reached 21 percent, up 15 points from the previous year and up 10 points from normal. Sorghum planted reached 16 percent, up 13 points from the previous year and up 10 points from normal. Soybeans planted reached 5 percent, down 10 points from the previous year and down 4 points from normal.

Pasture and Livestock: Pasture and range condition was rated at 62 percent very poor to fair. Livestock condition was rated at 77 percent fair to good.

Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent

For Week Ending April 30, 2023 Current Week Previous Week Moisture Rating One Year Ago Topsoil Very Short 19 47 Short 24 32 29 53 20 36 Adequate Surplus 4 1 1 Subsoil 44 Very Short 42 35 Short 22 35 30 31 22 34 Adequate 3 Surplus 1 1

Crop and Livestock Conditions by Percent

For Week Ending April 30, 2023

Commodity	Very Poor Poor		Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat	28	33	30	8	1
Rye	13	36	43	8	0
Oats	15	34	29	22	0
Canola	3	44	21	31	1
Livestock	3	15	45	32	5
Pasture and Range	36	22	26	15	1

Crop Progress by Percent

For Week Ending April 30, 2023

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	Five Year Average
Wheat	Jointing	92	84	84	(NA)
	Headed	43	33	37	48
Rye	Jointing	88	71	86	90
	Headed	53	45	(NA)	(NA)
Oats	Jointing	63	56	54	52
	Headed	25	16	(NA)	(NA)
Canola	Blooming	55	47	60	74
Corn	Planted	37	28	31	34
	Emerged	21	5	6	11
Sorghum	Planted	16	15	3	6
Soybeans	Planted	5	(NA)	15	9

(NA) Not Available

Weather for Week Ending: Temperatures ranged from 29 degrees at Lake Carl Blac on Monday, April 24th to 79 degrees at Buffalo on Saturday, April 29th. Precipitation ranged from 1.51 inches in the Panhandle District to 2.14 inches in the Southeast district. Soil temperature averages ranged from 50 degrees at Kenton on Wednesday, April 26th, to 65 degrees at Tipton on Sunday, April 30th.

Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data

For Week Ending April 30, 2023

	Temperature			Precipitation			
Districts	High	Low	Average	Current Week	September 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
		degrees		inches	inches	inches	percent
Panhandle	62	41	51	1.51	1.65	-1.46	53
North Central	61	43	52	2.77	3.02	-2.46	55
Northeast	63	45	54	1.55	5.60	-1.98	74
West Central	61	44	53	1.69	2.02	-2.65	43
Central	62	45	54	2.35	5.15	-1.34	79
East Central	63	47	55	2.23	8.54	0.52	107
Southwest	66	45	55	1.13	2.06	-2.93	41
South Central	65	46	56	1.63	7.46	0.31	104
Southeast	66	46	56	2.14	12.53	3.64	141