



Oklahoma Crop Progress and Condition

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Weekly Summary for September 18 – September 24

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Rainfall totals in Oklahoma averaged 1.61 inches. According to the September 19th US Drought Monitor Report, drought conditions were rated 72 percent abnormally dry to exceptional drought, down 28 points from last year. Additionally, 49 percent of the state was in the moderate drought to exceptional drought categories, down 50 points from the previous year. Statewide, temperatures averaged in the mid to upper 70's. Topsoil moisture conditions were rated adequate to short and subsoil moisture conditions were rated very short and short to adequate. There were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grains: Winter wheat planted reached 18 percent, down 2 points from the previous year and down 7 points from normal. Winter wheat emerged reached 5 percent, up 1 point from the previous year and up 2 points from normal.

Row Crops: Corn dented reached 96 percent, up 1 point from the previous year but unchanged from normal. Corn mature reached 70 percent, up 1 point from the previous year and from normal. Corn harvested for grain reached 30 points, down 1 point from the previous year but up 2 points from normal. Sorghum coloring reached 72 percent, down 16 points from the previous year and from normal. Sorghum mature reached 33 percent, down 17 points from the previous year and down 15 points from normal. Sorghum harvested for grain reached 11 percent, down 1 point from the previous year and down 3 points from normal. Soybeans setting pods reached 87 percent, unchanged from the previous year and from normal. Soybeans dropping leaves reached 32 percent, unchanged from the previous year but up 6 points from normal. Peanuts mature reached 56 percent, up 3 points from the previous year and up 11 points from normal. Cotton bolls opening reached 55 percent, down 5 points from the previous year and down 3 points from normal.

Hay: The fourth cutting of alfalfa hay reached 68 percent, down 2 points from the previous year and down 11 points from normal. The fifth cutting of alfalfa hay reached 8 percent, down 3 points from the previous year but up 2 points from normal. The second cutting of other hay reached 95 percent. The third cutting of other hay reached 39 percent down 26 points from the previous year and down 6 points from normal.

Pasture and Livestock: Pasture and range condition was rated at 65 percent fair to poor. Livestock condition was rated at 87 percent good to fair.

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Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent

For Week Ending September 24, 2023

Moisture Rating	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago
Topsoil			
Very Short	29	25	33
Short	34	47	58
Adequate	35	28	9
Surplus	2	0	0
Subsoil			
Very Short	33	36	42
Short	33	37	50
Adequate	32	27	8
Surplus	2	0	0

Crop and Livestock Conditions by Percent

For Week Ending September 24, 2023

Commodity	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	2	10	26	58	4
Sorghum	2	16	41	38	3
Peanuts	0	0	3	97	0
Cotton	25	36	25	12	2
Soybeans	4	7	35	47	7
Livestock	2	7	28	59	4
Pasture and Range	8	30	35	25	2

Crop Progress by Percent

For Week Ending September 24, 2023

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	Five Year Average
Wheat	Planted	18	12	20	25
	Emerged	5	N/A	4	3
Corn	Dented	96	88	95	96
	Mature	70	53	69	69
	Harvested	30	30	31	28
Sorghum	Coloring	72	65	88	88
	Mature	33	24	50	48
	Harvested	11	7	12	14
Soybeans	Setting Pods	87	84	87	87
	Dropping Leaves	32	26	32	26
Peanuts	Mature	56	43	53	45
Cotton	Bolls Opening	55	45	60	58
Alfalfa Hay	Fourth Cutting	68	60	70	79
	Fifth Cutting	8	N/A	11	6
Other Hay	Second Cutting	95	92	N/A	N/A
	Third Cutting	39	32	65	45

(NA) Not available.

Weather for Week Ending: Temperatures ranged from 48 degrees at Kenton on Wednesday, September 20th, to 106 degrees at Altus on Saturday, September 23rd. Precipitation ranged from 0.10 inches in the Panhandle district to 5.75 inches in the Southeast District. Soil temperature averages ranged from 69 degrees at Beaver on Monday, September 18th, to 87 degrees at Burneyville on Sunday, September 24th.

Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data
For Week Ending September 24, 2023

Districts	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	Current Week	September 1, 2023 to September 24, 2023		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
	<i>degrees</i>			<i>inches</i>	<i>inches</i>	<i>inches</i>	<i>percent</i>
Panhandle	89	59	74	0.10	2.39	1.01	173
North Central	88	64	75	0.30	2.83	0.56	125
Northeast	85	64	73	2.84	3.80	0.23	107
West Central	92	65	77	0.11	1.65	-0.58	74
Central	88	66	76	0.72	2.13	-0.94	69
East Central	85	65	74	3.96	4.82	1.00	126
Southwest	93	67	78	0.19	1.59	-0.85	65
South Central	90	67	77	0.49	1.84	-1.40	57
Southeast	86	63	74	5.75	5.84	2.43	171