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# **Texas Crop Progress and Condition**

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WEEKLY SUMMARY FOR JUNE 27 – JULY 3

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Crop Condition								
Crop		Pe	Index					
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2011	2010	
Corn	1	16	30	27	26	42	78	
Cotton	0	14	29	23	34	37	78	
Peanuts	0	24	45	29	2	56	85	
Rice	10	40	50	0	0	77	86	
Sorghum	1	26	33	24	16	51	84	
Soybeans	0	26	34	28	12	51	71	
Wheat	0	9	14	23	54	25	77	
Oats	0	7	21	20	52	27	83	
Range and Pasture	0	3	13	26	58	-	-	

<sup>\*</sup> The formula for the condition index is I = (5V + 25P + 60F + 90G + 110E)/100 where I = crop condition index and V, P, F, G, E = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

Texas Precipitation								
National Weather		Percent						
Service Climatic Divisions *	Previous Week Jun 27 – Jul 3, 2011	Month-to-Date Jun 1 - 30, 2011	Year-to-Date Jan 1 – Jul 3, 2011	Annual Normal 1971-2000	Normal Previous Three Months (Mar - May)			
High Plains	0.26	0.17	0.86	19.64	7			
Low Rolling Plains	0.04	0.13	0.66	24.51	7			
North Central Texas	0.00	0.56	4.40	35.23	26			
East Texas	0.13	0.76	5.24	48.08	20			
Trans-Pecos	0.00	0.08	0.16	13.19	2			
Edwards Plateau	0.01	0.23	1.60	24.73	13			
South Central Texas	0.04	0.53	2.42	36.21	8			
Upper Coast	0.04	0.94	4.46	50.31	12			
South Texas	0.33	0.33	1.22	24.08	4			
Lower Valley	1.41	1.84	2.25	25.43	0			

<sup>\*</sup>High Plains: 1-N, 1-S; Low Rolling Plains: 2-N, 2-S; North Central Texas: 3, 4; East Texas: 5-N, 5-S. Trans-Pecos: 6; Edwards Plateau: 7; South Central Texas: 8-N, 8-S; Upper Coast: 9; South Texas: 10-N; Lower Valley: 10-S.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Average of all stations reporting precipitation data. For more information, please visit the following web sites: water.weather.gov and www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html.

Top Soil Moisture by District															
Compliation	Percent of Acreage														
Condition	1-N	1-S	2-N	<b>2-S</b>	3	4	5-N	5-S	6	7	8-N	8-S	9	10-N	10-S
Very Short	91	92	95	83	68	57	52	83	92	85	64	53	79	59	18
Short	8	5	5	3	30	40	46	16	8	14	34	37	14	36	10
Adequate	1	3	0	14	2	3	2	1	0	1	2	10	5	5	31
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	41

### **Weekly Summary**

Areas of the Lower Valley received up to 3 inches of rainfall, the Northern Plains and North East Texas received up to 2 inches of rainfall, while the rest of the state observed scattered showers.

Small Grains: Irrigated wheat harvest neared completion in areas of the Northern High Plains, while dry-land wheat harvest continued to suffer due to drought conditions.

Row Crops: In areas of the Northern High Plains, corn was stressed due to hot and windy conditions. Germination and emergence of recently planted dry-land cotton suffered in areas of the

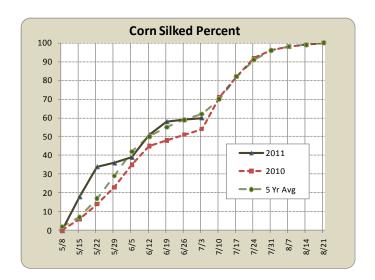
Crop Progress										
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Crop	Stage	Current	Prev Week	2010	5 Yr Avg					
Corn	Silked	60	59	54	62					
	Dough	47	41	46	49					
	Dent	39	32	29	33					
	Mature	13	0	5	9					
Cotton	Planted	100	99	100	100					
	Squaring	41	24	54	45					
	Setting bolls	14	13	11	15					
Oats	Harvested	93	92	93	94					
Peanuts	Planted	100	99	100	100					
	Pegging	10	6	34	23					
Rice	Headed	38	21	18	41					
Sorghum	Planted	95	92	98	97					
	Headed	69	68	55	58					
	Coloring	62	61	44	45					
	Mature	51	46	17	25					
	Harvested	22	0	1	8					
Soybeans	Emerged	100	99	100	99					
	Blooming	52	42	60	57					
Sunflowers	Planted	89	78	92	77					
Winter Wheat	Harvested	98	89	75	83					

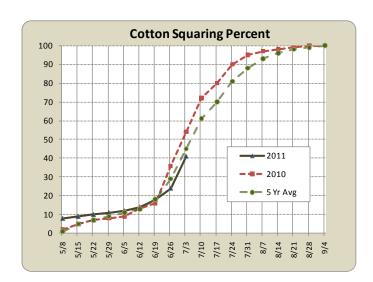
Visit our web site to view the crop progress regional maps, available at www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\_by\_State/Texas/Publications/Crop\_Progress\_&\_Condition/maps/.

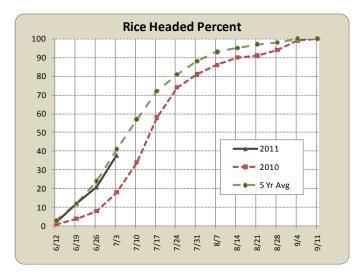
Plains due to drought conditions. Irrigated corn suffered in areas of the Southern High Plains due to declining water supplies. The peanut crop progressed well in the Cross Timbers and South Texas but was in need of rain. In areas of North East Texas, corn was harvested for silage. Rice suffered due to very low moisture as producers prepared to harvest rice in the Upper Coast. Cotton squared in the Trans-Pecos and made good progress in South Texas due to recent rainfall. Corn and sorghum harvests were delayed due to rain showers in the Lower Valley.

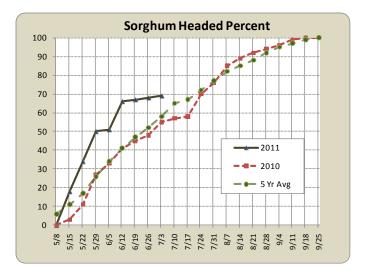
**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crop:** Pecans were stressed due to drought conditions in the Cross Timbers and the Edwards Plateau. Blackberry and Blueberry harvests progressed well; however, the peach crop suffered in areas of North East Texas.

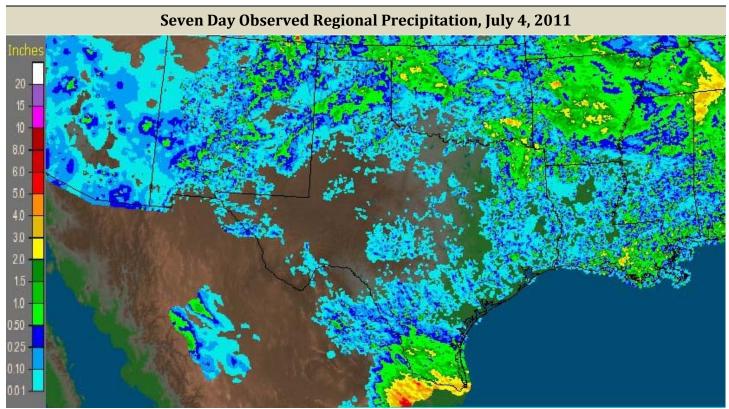
Livestock, Range and Pasture: Producers continued to supplement and feed hay to livestock and prepared to wean calves due to low hay supplies and rising input costs in areas of the Plains, the Cross Timbers, East Texas, and the Upper Coast. Livestock tanks and ponds continued to recede in areas of the Plains, the Trans-Pecos, the Blacklands, and the Edwards Plateau. Hay production suffered due to drought conditions in areas of the Plains and East Texas. Grasshoppers continued to damage crops and rangeland in areas of the Cross Timbers, the Blacklands, and North East Texas. Summer grasses were short and contained little nutritional value due to high temperatures and low soil moisture across the state. The risk of wildfires remained high due to drought conditions in many areas of the state.











Source: National Weather Service, www.nws.noaa.gov

# Drought Monitor As of 6/28/2011, 7:00 am EST Intensity: D0 Abnormally Dry D1 Drought - Moderate D2 Drought - Severe D2 Drought - Severe

Source: National Drought Mitigation Center, <a href="http://drought.unl.edu/dm">http://drought.unl.edu/dm</a>, a partnership with USDA, U.S. Department of Commerce/NOAA.

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