



Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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WEEKLY SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER 4 - 10

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Summary

Significant rainfall was received in many areas of the state with parts of East and South Texas recording up to two inches for the week. Incidents of flooding continued in some areas of East and Central Texas. Large portions of West Texas and the Panhandle remained mostly dry. Parts of North Texas experienced freezing temperatures.

Small Grains: Winter wheat and oats seeding continued around the state but was suspended in parts of East Texas due to wet field conditions. In the Plains, small grain irrigation was active and additional rainfall was needed. Some producers reported light fall armyworm pressure.

Row Crops: Corn harvest was wrapping up in many areas, while cotton, sorghum, and peanut harvests were in full swing. Some High Plains producers were reporting a good sorghum crop as a result of timely rains. Dry weather in the Panhandle aided harvest activities. However some cotton producers were awaiting a killing freeze to dry down plants before harvest. In South Texas, preparations were being made for spring planting. Wet weather continued to delay field operations in some areas of the state.

Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops: Pecan harvest continued in the Edwards plateau with some reports of a light to moderate-sized crop. In South Texas, cabbage harvest was underway and spinach harvest was expected to begin soon. Spinach and onions both made good progress due to favorable growing conditions. In the Lower Valley, fall vegetables continued to mature.

Livestock, Range and Pasture: Rainfall and mild temperatures aided pasture growth in many parts of the state, though pasture and topsoil conditions deteriorated in drier areas. Cool-season grasses were beginning to emerge and some small grains were ready to be grazed out. Livestock were reported to be in mostly good condition with some supplemental feeding taking place. Fall cattle work was underway in many areas.

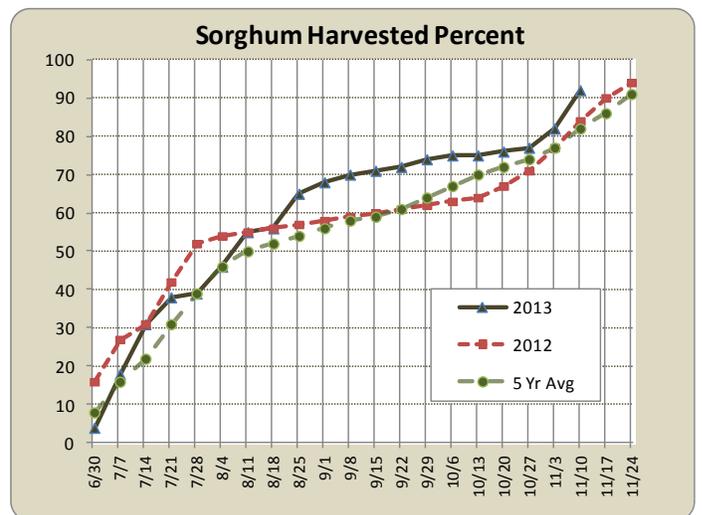
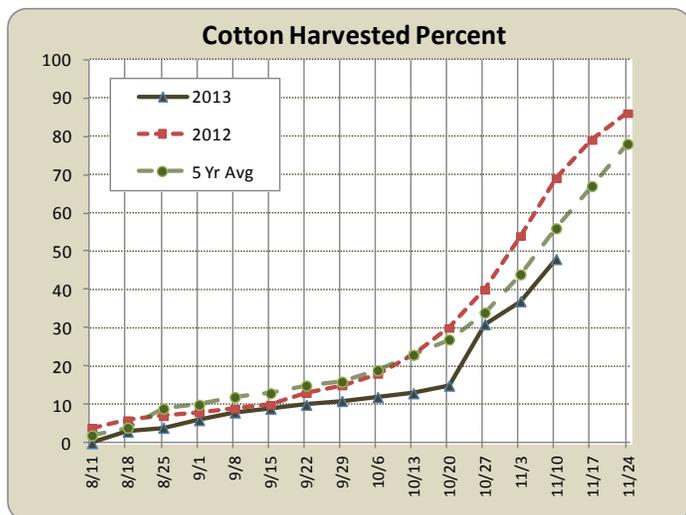
Crop Progress					
Crop	Stage	Percent of Acreage			
		Current	Prev Week *	2012	5 Yr Avg
Corn	Harvested	98	97	100	96
Cotton	Bolls Opening	97	95	98	97
	Harvested	48	37	69	56
Peanuts	Harvested	92	76	95	85
Sorghum	Mature	99	97	98	96
	Harvested	92	82	84	82
Soybeans	Dropping Leaves	98	97	100	99
	Harvested	91	90	94	93
Sunflowers	Harvested	62	55	90	82
Winter Wheat	Planted	89	84	90	88
	Emerged	74	69	73	69
Oats	Planted	86	83	91	89
	Emerged	73	67	79	63

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.

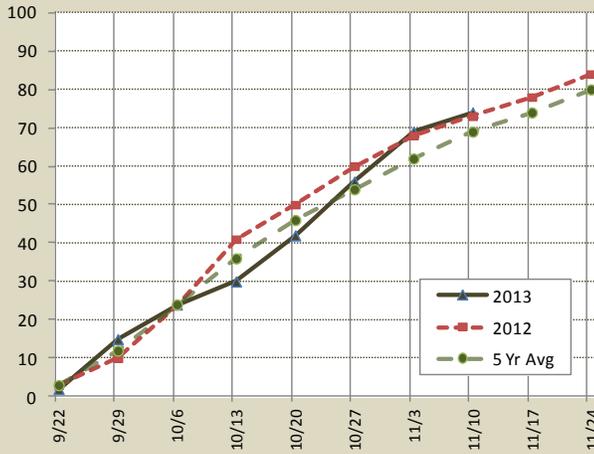
Crop Condition							
Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2013	2012
Corn	13	41	35	10	1	75	70
Cotton	4	26	41	19	10	58	46
Peanuts	2	52	36	7	3	73	71
Sorghum	12	46	33	8	1	76	68
Soybeans	7	30	50	11	2	68	68
Wheat	8	35	37	14	6	66	59
Oats	14	54	31	1	0	83	67
Range and Pasture	6	28	38	20	8	---	---

* 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.

Top Soil Moisture Condition by District									
District	Percent of Acreage				District	Percent of Acreage			
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
1-N	33	50	16	1	6	21	69	10	0
1-S	26	52	22	0	7	10	24	62	4
2-N	23	50	25	2	8-N	4	20	58	18
2-S	12	59	29	0	8-S	2	30	60	8
3	11	37	50	2	9	2	10	59	29
4	1	4	62	33	10-N	3	39	58	0
5-N	0	3	75	22	10-S	16	57	27	0
5-S	0	6	59	35	State	11	29	48	12



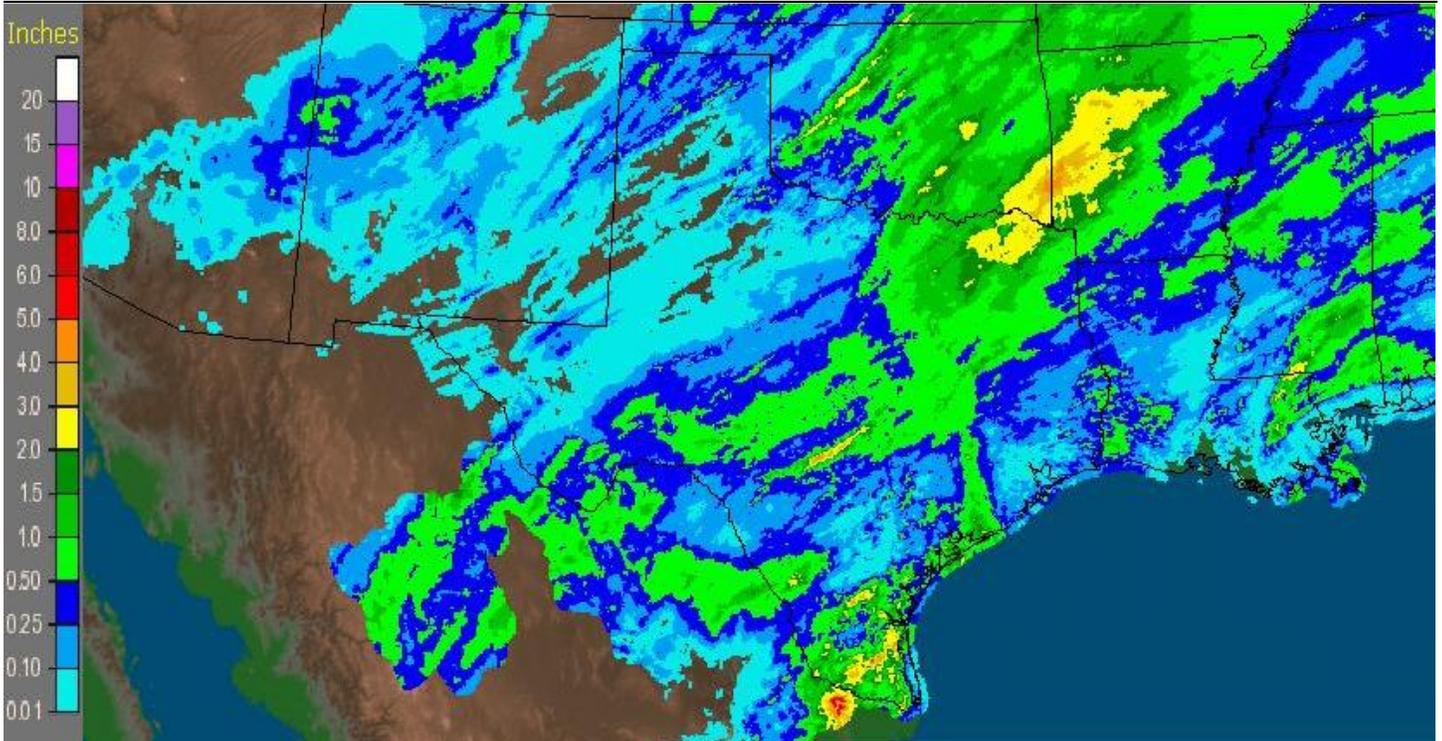
Wheat Emerged Percent



Oats Emerged Percent



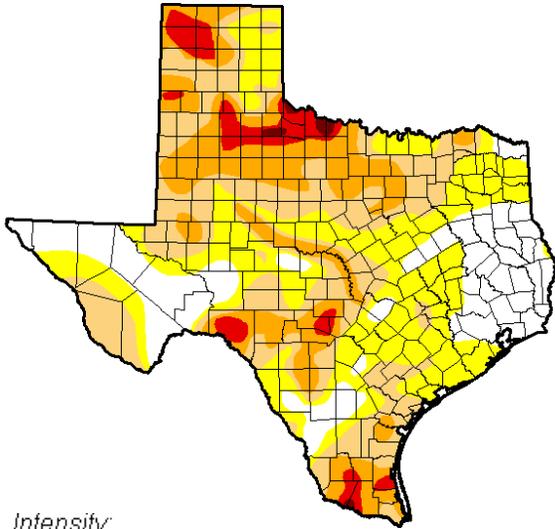
Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, November 11, 2013



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

Drought Monitor

Valid 11/5/2013, 7:00 am ET



Intensity



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

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