



# Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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**Weekly Summary for June 2 - June 8**

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## Summary

Many areas of the state received rainfall last week. Parts of the Plains and the Cross Timbers received two inches or more for the week, while areas of Central and East Texas received little to no rainfall. The rest of the state received scattered showers.

**Small Grains:** Wheat and oat harvest continued across most of the state. Precipitation slowed wheat harvest in South East Texas. Small grain harvest was in full swing in areas of the Cross Timbers. In the Northern High Plains, haying and silage harvest of small grains neared completion.

**Row Crops:** Emerging cotton was damaged in areas of the Southern High Plains due to a recent hail storm. Some producers were using ground rigs to spray cotton for flea hoppers and broadleaf weeds in the Blacklands, while others opted for aerial application of pesticides. Cotton and grain sorghum planting continued in the Southern Low Plains, while sorghum in the Lower Valley began coloring. Corn continued to tassel in areas of the Blacklands. Peanut planting continued in areas of South Texas. Rainfall slowed plantings of rice in the Upper Coast. Soybeans made good progress in areas of the Blacklands. Sunflower planting continued in the Southern Low Plains, while Blacklands producers continued spraying sunflowers for weeds.

**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops:** Pecans continued to progress in areas of the Cross Timbers. In North East Texas, blueberries, blackberries, and other fruits and vegetables were being harvested. Harvest of fall-planted onion and cabbage continued in areas of the Trans-Pecos and South Texas. Cantaloupe and honey dew harvest progressed in the Lower Valley.

**Livestock, Range and Pasture:** Range and pastureland improved in areas that received significant rainfall, although growth of weeds increased as well. In many areas of Texas, forage remained in good to excellent condition, though in some areas, rangeland began deteriorating from hot and windy conditions. Continued rainfall increased the number of horn flies seen throughout the state's pasturelands.

## Texas Crop Progress

Stage	Percent of Acreage			
	Current	Prev. Week	Prev. Year	5 Year Avg
<b>Corn</b>				
Silked	39	31	53	49
<b>Cotton</b>				
Planted	85	62	84	88
Squaring	8	7	7	11
Setting Bolls	1	1	2	4
<b>Peanuts</b>				
Planted	90	83	92	93
<b>Rice</b>				
Planted	100	99	100	100
Emerged	100	99	97	95
Headed	N/ A	N/ A	1	1
<b>Sorghum</b>				
Planted	90	85	86	86
Headed	37	34	36	44
Coloring	6	3	17	16
<b>Soybeans</b>				
Planted	92	91	96	96
Emerged	90	73	93	94
Blooming	8	5	5	18
<b>Sunflowers</b>				
Planted	93	89	76	66
<b>Winter Wheat</b>				
Headed	99	98	94	99
Harvested	30	16	29	32
<b>Oats</b>				
Harvested	51	44	47	66

### Crop Condition

Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index <sup>1</sup>	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2014	2013
Corn	13	37	45	5		76	74
Cotton	13	22	43	16	6	64	55
Peanuts	8	44	34	13	1	72	68
Rice	6	47	42	4	1	75	73
Sorghum	11	41	40	6	2	75	67
Soybeans	6	41	45	6	2	72	78
Wheat	2	12	23	31	32	36	27
Oats	6	26	37	20	11	58	53
Range and Pasture	8	31	34	17	10		

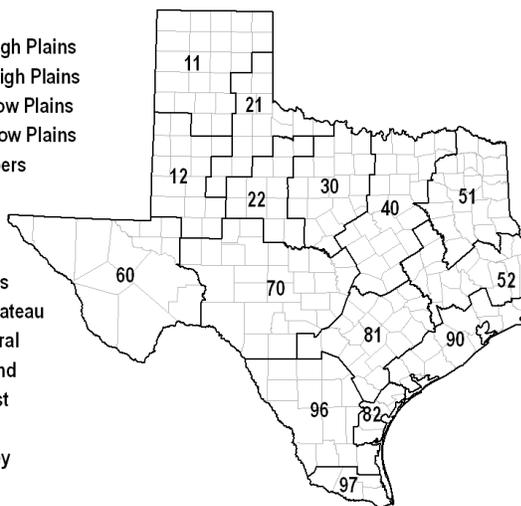
<sup>1</sup> The formula for the condition index is  $I = (5V + 25P + 60F + 90G + 110E)/100$  where I = crop condition index and V, P, F, G, E = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

### Top Soil Moisture Condition by District

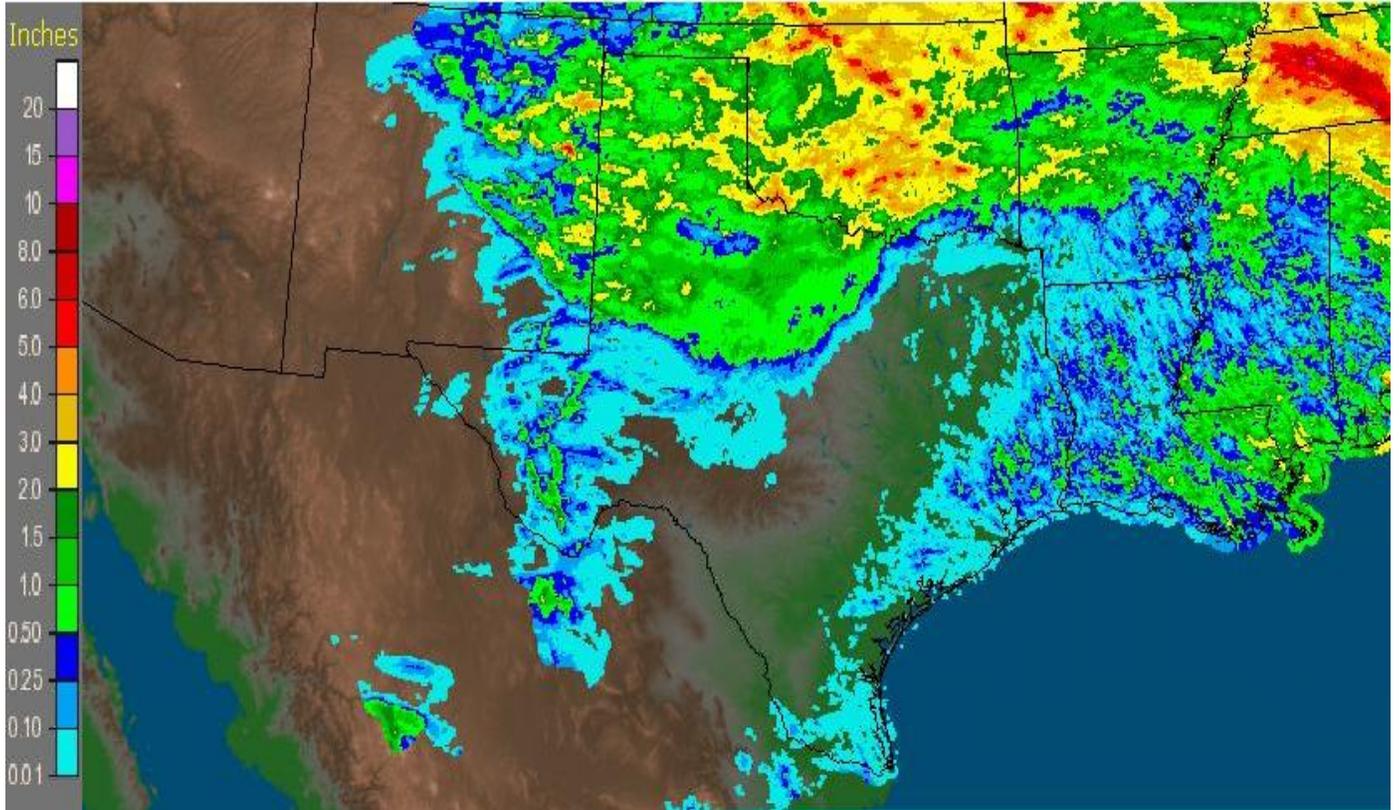
District	Topsoil Moisture Condition by District				Subsoil Moisture Condition by District				Days Suitable for Fieldwork
	Percentage of Acreage				Percentage of Acreage				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
11	32	32	29	7	46	28	25	1	5.5
12	18	41	36	5	18	45	34	3	5.7
21	18	28	38	16	34	31	24	11	5.8
22	26	20	42	12	20	44	26	10	5.7
30	29	40	29	2	31	41	28	0	6.2
40	5	31	60	4	10	36	50	4	6.2
51	3	12	74	11	4	13	72	11	6.5
52	6	16	62	16	6	19	61	14	4.9
60	59	25	15	1	61	30	8	1	7.0
70	16	36	42	6	12	42	43	3	6.4
81	4	37	54	5	7	39	49	5	6.2
82	9	38	40	13	18	25	42	15	6.0
90	2	12	59	27	2	11	71	16	2.7
96	18	53	28	1	12	54	34	0	6.1
97	3	79	18	0	7	34	59	0	7.0
State	21	32	41	6	24	35	37	4	5.7

### Texas Agricultural Districts

- 11 Northern High Plains
- 12 Southern High Plains
- 21 Northern Low Plains
- 22 Southern Low Plains
- 30 Cross Timbers
- 40 Blacklands
- 51 North East
- 52 South East
- 60 Trans-Pecos
- 70 Edwards Plateau
- 81 South Central
- 82 Coastal Bend
- 90 Upper Coast
- 96 South
- 97 Lower Valley



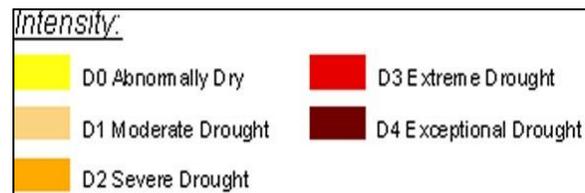
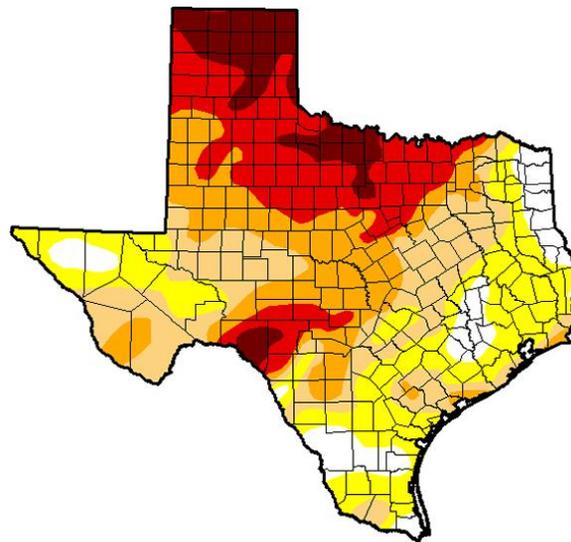
## Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, June 8, 2014



Source: National Weather Service, [www.nws.noaa.gov](http://www.nws.noaa.gov)

## Drought Monitor

Valid June 5, 2014



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