



# Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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**Weekly Summary for June 16 - June 22**

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## Summary

Precipitation fell across much of the state last week. Areas of the Trans-Pecos, Edwards Plateau and South Texas received the most rainfall, with totals of two inches or more. Portions of the Northern High Plains and North East Texas received a half of an inch or more, while the rest of the state received trace amounts to a quarter of an inch of precipitation.

**Small Grains:** In the Northern High Plains, wheat producers were making preparations for harvest. Harvest of winter wheat continued in the Blacklands. Wheat harvest continued in many areas of the Southern Low Plains.

**Row Crops:** Corn continued to progress favorably in many areas of the Blacklands, while high winds damaged some corn fields in the Edwards Plateau. In areas of the Southern High Plains, cotton was beginning the squaring phase of development. Cotton in the Upper Coast began setting bolls, as farmers continued to spray for insects and weeds. Irrigated cotton in the Northern Low Plains made good progress. Sunflowers in areas of the Blacklands were in the middle to late stages of blooming. Peanuts made good progress in the Southern High Plains. In the Coastal Bend, sorghum continued to mature at a rapid pace. Producers continued to see damage on sorghum from the sugarcane aphid.

**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops:** Fruits and vegetables in North East Texas continued to be harvested and marketed. In South Texas, pecan nut development made good progress from recent weather, while potato harvest was in full swing.

**Livestock, Range and Pasture:** Livestock in the Blacklands were mostly in good condition, attributed to cooler weather. In areas of the Trans-Pecos, pasture conditions deteriorated from lack of sufficient moisture. Cattle continued to improve in areas of the Northern Low Plains.

## Crop Progress

Stage	Percent of Acreage			
	Current	Prev. Week	Prev. Year	5 Year Avg
<b>Corn</b>				
Silked	50	45	64	58
Dough	29	15	27	20
Dented	8	3	14	11
<b>Cotton</b>				
Planted	97	93	98	98
Squaring	15	10	18	19
Setting Bolls	5	2	6	9
<b>Peanuts</b>				
Planted	93	92	100	99
Pegging	N/ A	N/ A	4	3
<b>Rice</b>				
Headed	5	1	18	17
<b>Sorghum</b>				
Planted	95	94	97	93
Headed	50	47	56	55
Coloring	28	21	42	37
Mature	8	6	19	16
<b>Soybeans</b>				
Planted	96	95	99	99
Emerged	95	94	98	98
Blooming	37	23	17	40
<b>Sunflowers</b>				
Planted	96	95	90	80
<b>Winter Wheat</b>				
Harvested	69	40	54	64
<b>Oats</b>				
Harvested	78	58	88	91

## Crop Condition

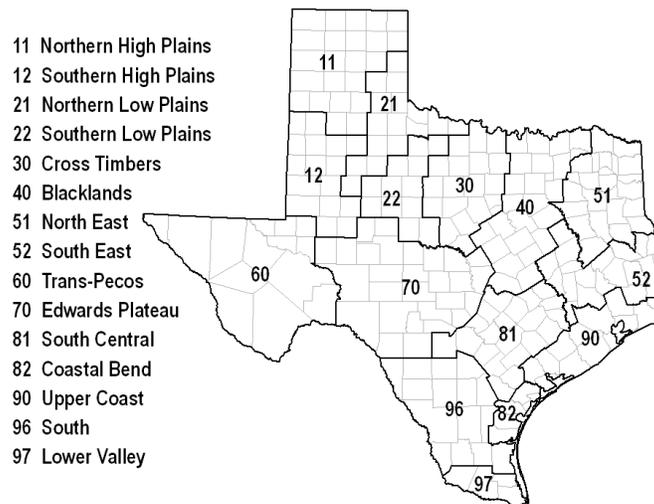
Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index <sup>1</sup>	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2014	2013
Corn	17	45	34	4	0	81	79
Cotton	11	29	41	12	7	66	54
Peanuts	7	53	30	9	1	76	74
Rice	7	49	40	4	0	77	83
Sorghum	13	46	34	5	2	77	68
Soybeans	7	44	41	6	2	74	83
Wheat	2	13	22	32	31	37	26
Oats	7	26	39	19	9	60	53
Range and Pasture	10	34	34	15	7		

<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.

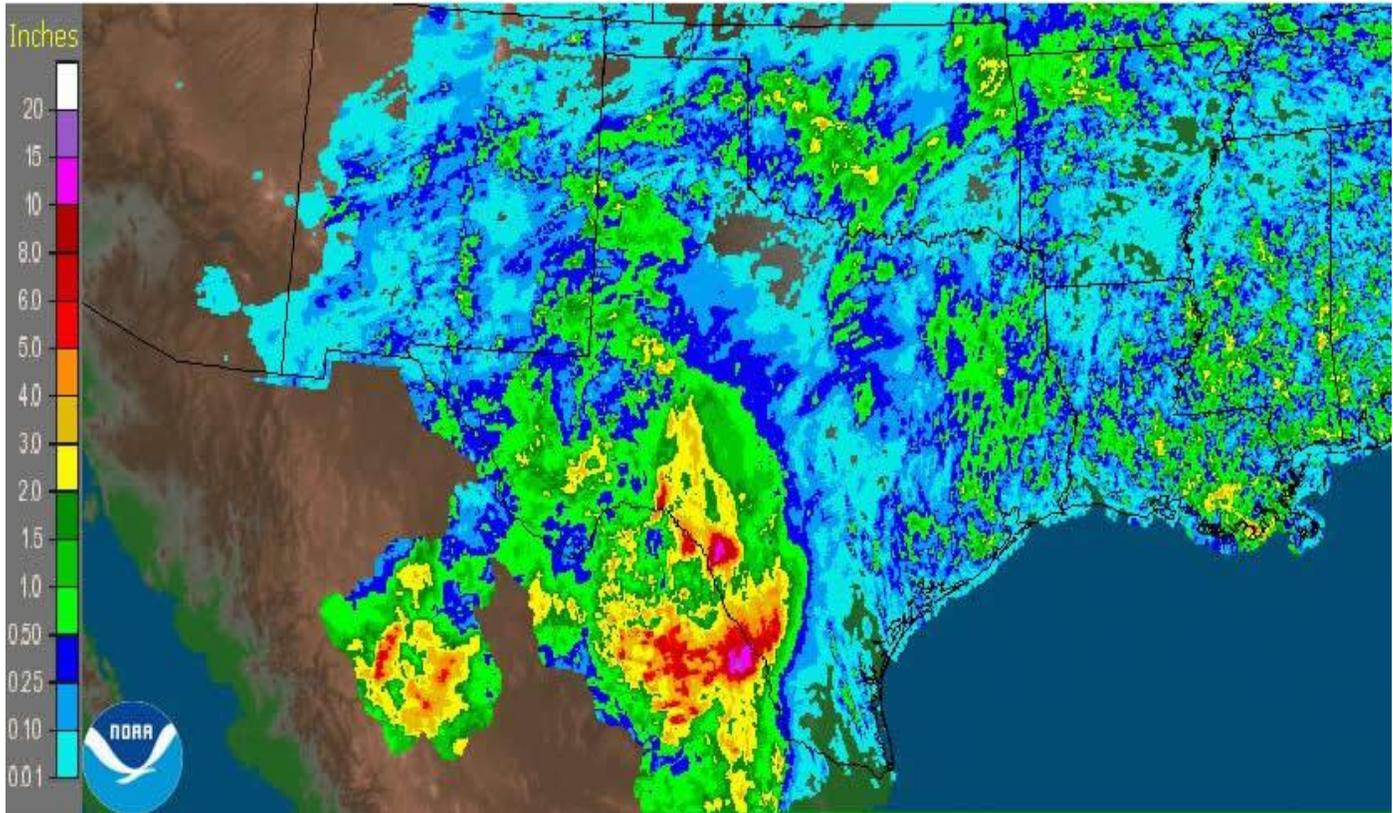
## Top Soil Moisture Condition by District

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	20	35	39	6	29	39	31	1	5.8
12	15	26	55	4	23	36	39	2	6.1
21	9	15	65	11	13	26	52	9	6.6
22	14	14	66	6	19	29	48	4	5.3
30	23	24	51	2	22	46	32	0	6.3
40	2	16	70	12	8	23	64	5	6.1
51	0	9	78	13	1	11	75	13	6.2
52	5	29	57	9	6	28	57	9	5.9
60	60	26	13	1	61	31	7	1	7.0
70	16	29	50	5	14	33	48	5	6.3
81	5	37	51	7	9	36	51	4	5.9
82	25	60	12	3	22	52	23	3	7.0
90	5	32	54	9	4	16	70	10	5.8
96	20	42	37	1	10	50	40	0	6.7
97	4	81	15	0	8	43	49	0	7.0
State	18	28	49	5	20	33	44	3	6.1

## Texas Agricultural Districts



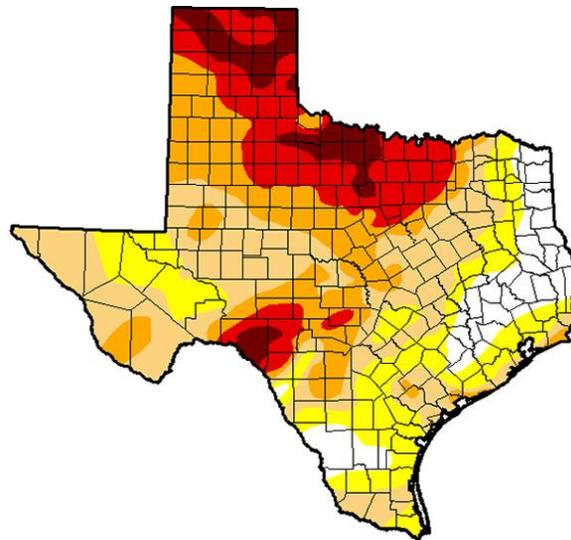
## Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, June 22, 2014



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

## Drought Monitor

Valid June 17, 2014



### Intensity:



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