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# **Texas Crop Progress and Condition**

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#### **Crop Progress**

| Stone                         | Percent of Acreage |               |               |                |  |  |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|--|--|
| Stage                         | Current Week       | Previous Week | Previous Year | 5 Year Average |  |  |
| Pecans Harvested Winter Wheat | 97                 | 94            | 94            | 97             |  |  |
| Emerged                       | 98                 | 94            | 99            | 98             |  |  |

Warm and dry weather was experienced across many areas of Texas during the past week. The majority of the state received little to no rainfall, with East Texas recording precipitation at 0.10 of an inch.

**Small Grains:** Winter wheat was in need of moisture in areas of the Low and High Plains. Some producers in the Northern Plains began irrigating wheat. Oats progressed in areas of South Texas.

**Row Crops:** Field work in preparation for cotton planting continued in areas of the Blacklands. Corn crop preparations continued in areas of North East Texas, South Central Texas, and the Upper Coast.

**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops:** Cool season vegetable planting was active in areas of North East Texas and the Lower Valley. Onions in North East Texas and South Texas progressed. In the Lower Valley, harvest of sugarcane, citrus, and vegetables continued.

**Livestock, Range and Pasture:** Supplemental feeding was active across the state. Livestock were in good condition. Pastures in the Northern part of the state improved, while conditions continued to decline in Southern areas.

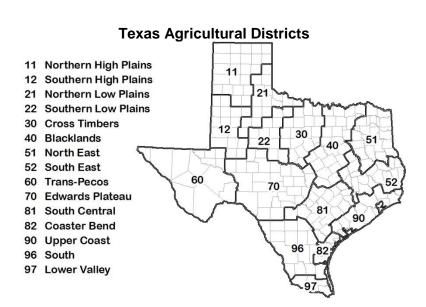
#### Crop Condition

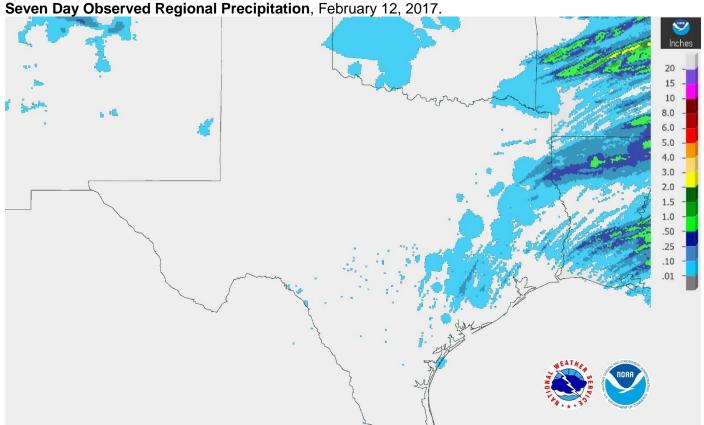
| Crop              | Percent of Acreage |      |      |      |           | Index <sup>1</sup> |      |
|-------------------|--------------------|------|------|------|-----------|--------------------|------|
|                   | Excellent          | Good | Fair | Poor | Very Poor | 2017               | 2016 |
| Wheat             | 4                  | 25   | 42   | 24   | 5         | 58                 | 69   |
| Oats              | 3                  | 28   | 50   | 13   | 6         | 62                 | 59   |
| Range and Pasture | 4                  | 34   | 39   | 17   | 6         | -                  |      |

<sup>&</sup>lt;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.

### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District

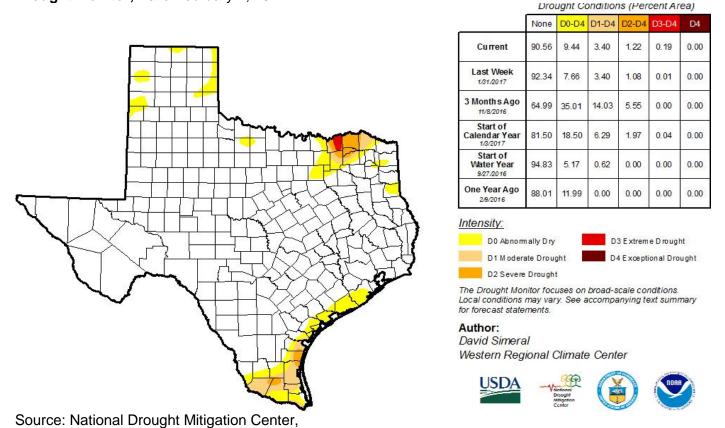
|          | Topsoil Moisture Condition by District |       |          | Subsoil Moisture Condition by District |                       |       |          | Days Suitable for |           |
|----------|--|-------|----------|--|-----------------------|-------|----------|-------------------|-----------|
| District | Percentage of Acreage                  |       |          |  | Percentage of Acreage |       |          |                   |           |
|          | Very Short                             | Short | Adequate | Surplus                                | Very Short            | Short | Adequate | Surplus           | Fieldwork |
| 11       | 4                                      | 21    | 74       | 1                                      | 5                     | 19    | 75       | 1                 | 7.0       |
| 12       | 9                                      | 56    | 34       | 1                                      | 2                     | 49    | 48       | 1                 | 7.0       |
| 21       | 3                                      | 38    | 58       | 1                                      | 2                     | 27    | 70       | 1                 | 7.0       |
| 22       | 4                                      | 27    | 67       | 2                                      | 1                     | 21    | 74       | 4                 | 7.0       |
| 30       | 5                                      | 35    | 57       | 3                                      | 2                     | 27    | 69       | 2                 | 6.0       |
| 40       | 8                                      | 46    | 44       | 2                                      | 5                     | 36    | 57       | 2                 | 7.0       |
| 51       | 5                                      | 24    | 59       | 12                                     | 2                     | 20    | 64       | 14                | 7.0       |
| 52       | 3                                      | 21    | 74       | 2                                      | 2                     | 13    | 81       | 4                 | 6.0       |
| 60       | 35                                     | 28    | 37       | 0                                      | 36                    | 27    | 37       | 0                 | 7.0       |
| 70       | 5                                      | 37    | 56       | 2                                      | 4                     | 29    | 66       | 1                 | 7.0       |
| 81       | 2                                      | 36    | 59       | 3                                      | 1                     | 33    | 61       | 5                 | 7.0       |
| 82       | 14                                     | 31    | 55       | 0                                      | 6                     | 38    | 53       | 3                 | 7.0       |
| 90       | 2                                      | 30    | 60       | 8                                      | 4                     | 34    | 53       | 9                 | 6.0       |
| 96       | 19                                     | 34    | 46       | 1                                      | 20                    | 34    | 45       | 1                 | 7.0       |
| 97       | 4                                      | 73    | 4        | 19                                     | 4                     | 73    | 4        | 19                | 6.0       |
| State    | 6                                      | 37    | 54       | 3                                      | 4                     | 32    | 61       | 3                 | 7.0       |





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

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