



Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Weather conditions continued to be hot and dry across most of Texas. Scattered precipitation across the state ranged from trace amounts up to 2 inches. However, areas in the Cross Timbers and the Blacklands received between 2 and 5 inches of rain. There were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grains: Some irrigated wheat fields were being planted in the Northern High Plains. Preparations for small grains seedings were active in the Southern Low Plains, the Cross Timbers, the Blacklands, East Texas, the Edwards Plateau and South Texas.

Row Crops: Cotton bolls were opening in the Southern High Plains and the Trans-Pecos. Cotton harvest continued in the Cross Timbers, South Central Texas, the Upper Coast, the Coastal Bend and South Texas. Corn silage harvest was active in the High Plains. Corn and sorghum harvest continued in the Edwards Plateau, while scattered rains delayed rice harvest in the Upper Coast. Peanuts continued to mature in South Texas and many fields were under irrigation last week.

Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops: Vegetable production in East Texas has slowed due to the hot and dry conditions. Fall vegetable field preparations were underway in South Texas. Pecan development continued to progress across most of the state. Pecan producers in the Trans-Pecos were spraying for black aphids in some orchards.

Livestock, Range and Pasture: Livestock condition was rated mostly fair to good across the state. Most producers continued providing supplemental feed to their livestock. Dust pneumonia was reported as an issue with some livestock in the Northern Low Plains. Range and pasture condition remained mostly fair to poor across the state.

Crop Condition

Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index ¹	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2019	2018
Corn	11	45	36	7	1	76	54
Cotton	6	31	42	20	1	65	44
Peanuts	11	75	14	0	0	88	75
Rice	11	54	30	4	1	80	75
Sorghum	25	40	29	5	1	82	52
Soybeans	11	31	39	14	5	67	58
Range and Pasture	1	20	34	28	17	--	--

¹ 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.

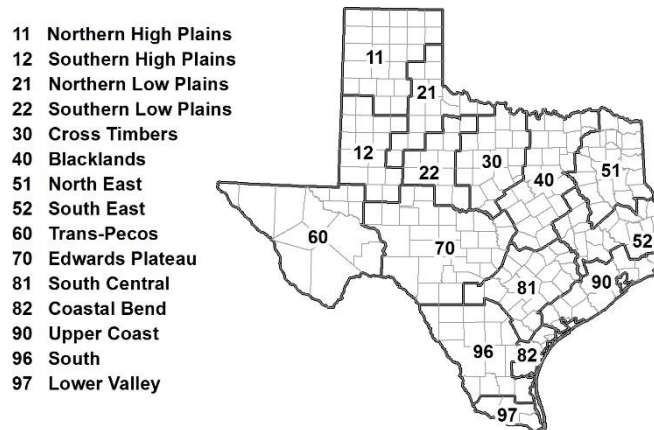
Crop Progress

Stage	Percent of Acreage			
	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
Corn				
Dough	96	94	97	96
Dented	89	86	90	82
Mature	52	51	67	65
Harvested	49	45	53	54
Cotton				
Setting Bolls	96	85	95	94
Bolls Opening	38	34	23	24
Harvested	12	9	11	9
Peanuts				
Pegging	92	87	97	99
Mature	6	4	8	7
Rice				
Harvested	63	52	84	81
Sorghum				
Headed	96	92	97	96
Coloring	90	86	84	82
Mature	76	73	74	74
Harvested	72	69	65	57
Soybeans				
Setting Pods	78	76	89	92
Dropping Leaves	46	36	46	46
Harvested	31	24	25	24
Sunflowers				
Harvested	48	46	60	45

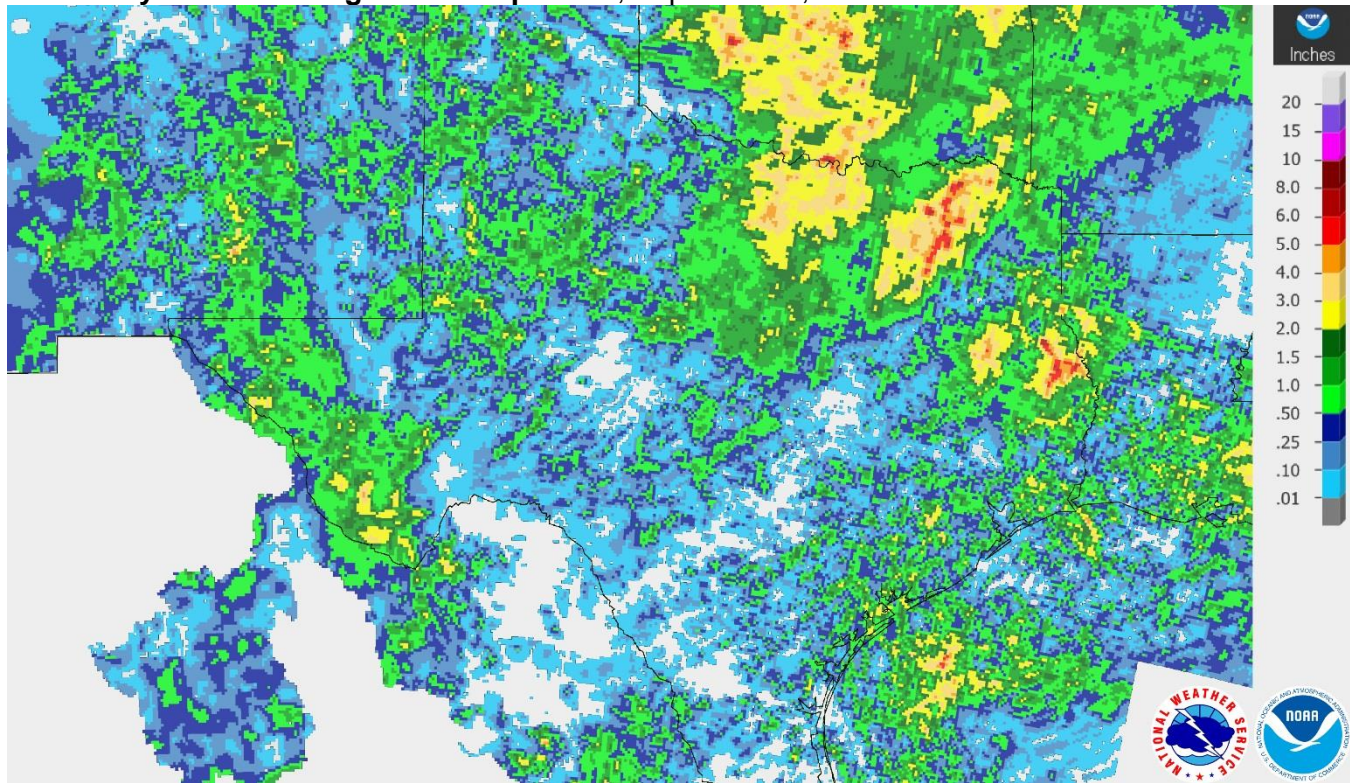
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District

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	49	43	8	0	16	54	30	0	6.3
12	16	78	6	0	10	77	13	0	6.7
21	57	28	15	0	39	43	18	0	6.5
22	47	48	5	0	27	61	12	0	6.4
30	31	45	24	0	14	61	25	0	5.6
40	35	35	30	0	36	37	27	0	6.0
51	18	51	31	0	24	38	33	5	6.9
52	6	47	37	10	6	46	38	10	6.8
60	23	16	61	0	27	12	61	0	5.9
70	47	35	18	0	20	54	26	0	6.8
81	46	46	8	0	30	63	7	0	6.8
82	55	35	9	1	50	40	9	1	7.0
90	32	20	36	12	13	41	35	11	5.4
96	76	22	2	0	75	23	2	0	6.7
97	20	70	10	0	20	70	10	0	7.0
State	37	47	15	1	23	54	22	1	6.4

Texas Agricultural Districts

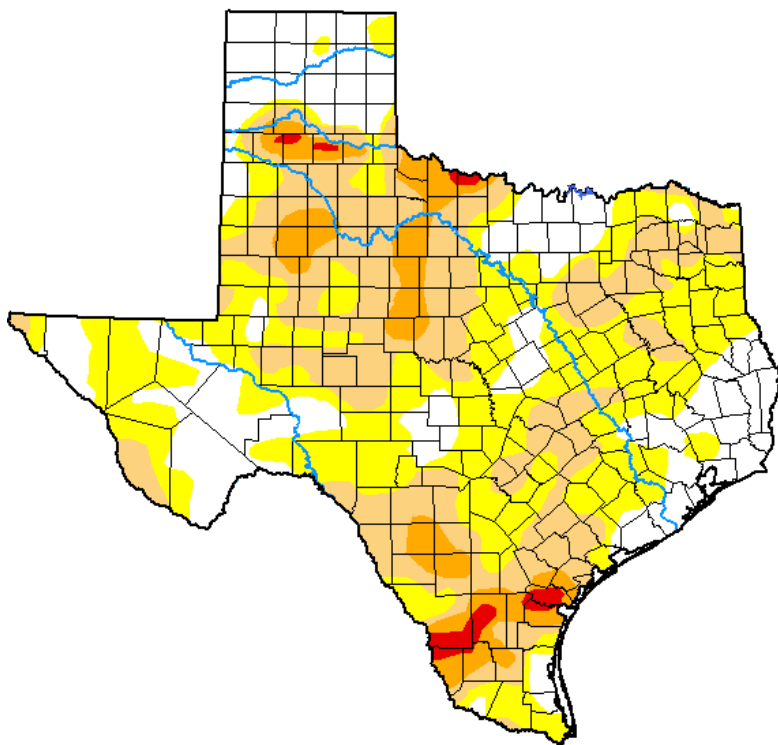


Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, September 2, 2019.



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

Drought Monitor, Valid August 27, 2019.



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	25.90	74.10	37.58	8.75	1.21	0.00
Last Week 08-20-2019	27.48	72.52	32.00	6.75	0.56	0.00
3 Months Ago 05-28-2019	94.24	5.76	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-01-2019	92.99	7.01	1.32	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-25-2018	57.46	42.54	20.19	7.03	0.96	0.00
One Year Ago 08-28-2018	18.56	81.44	62.34	30.69	6.78	0.30

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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

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