



## Texas Crop Progress and Condition

Southern Plains Regional Field Office  
Post Office Box 70 Austin, Texas 78767  
(800) 626-3142 · FAX (855) 270-2725 · www.nass.usda.gov/tx

**Issue: TX-CW2621**

**Weekly Summary for July 12-July 18**

**Released: July 19, 2021**

Most of the state received from trace amounts to upwards of 6.0 inches of precipitation. Some areas of the Upper Coast and East Texas received up to 8.0 inches. There were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork.

**Small Grains:** Winter wheat harvested for grain reached 99 percent, down 1 point from the previous year but unchanged from normal. Winter wheat harvest in the Northern High Plains was nearing completion.

**Row Crops:** Corn silking reached 83 percent, down 5 points from the previous year but up 4 points from normal. Corn silage cutting in the Blacklands was nearing completion. Cotton setting bolls reached 17 percent, down 3 points from the previous year and down 4 points from normal. Peanuts pegging reached 32 percent, down 1 point from the previous year and down 4 points from normal. Peanuts were progressing well in the Southern High Plains. Rice headed reached 76 percent, down 12 points from the previous year and down 6 points from normal. Sorghum coloring reached 58 percent, down 3 points from the previous year but up 2 points from normal. Grain sorghum in South Central Texas was progressing well. Soybeans blooming reached 74 percent, up 4 points from the previous year and up 10 points from normal.

**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops:** Cantaloupe and watermelons in some areas of South Texas were rated in good condition.

**Livestock, Range and Pasture:** Feral hogs in areas of East Texas were reported. Producers worked on spraying pastures fields for armyworms in some areas of East Texas, South Central Texas, and the Edwards Plateau. Pasture and range condition was rated mostly good to fair, although conditions varied across the state.

**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	3	13	77	7	0	14	79	7	5.9
12	0	39	61	0	0	45	55	0	6.5
21	0	23	69	8	0	11	87	2	5.6
22	1	9	82	8	0	15	74	11	5.6
30	5	13	69	13	4	9	87	0	6.3
40	0	10	73	17	0	11	54	35	5.5
51	5	15	72	8	5	16	65	14	6.2
52	0	3	59	38	0	3	62	35	5.1
60	12	29	30	29	13	29	30	28	6.2
70	3	9	80	8	3	6	84	7	5.8
81	0	0	99	1	0	4	96	0	3.6
82	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	100	7.0
90	1	1	17	81	1	1	12	86	1.8
96	0	6	75	19	0	4	90	6	4.3
97	3	17	62	18	3	17	58	22	4.1
State	2	16	67	15	1	17	66	16	5.5

### Crop Progress

Stage	Percent of Acreage			
	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
<b>Corn</b>				
Silked	83	81	88	79
Dough	63	61	63	57
Dented	42	35	(NA)	36
<b>Cotton</b>				
Squaring	62	46	67	68
Setting Bolls	17	15	20	21
<b>Peanuts</b>				
Pegging	32	16	33	36
<b>Rice</b>				
Headed	76	66	88	82
<b>Sorghum</b>				
Headed	82	79	76	74
Coloring	58	51	61	56
Mature	34	32	(NA)	32
<b>Soybeans</b>				
Blooming	74	72	70	64
Setting Pods	33	27	36	29
<b>Sunflowers</b>				
Harvested	20	16	15	(NA)
<b>Winter Wheat</b>				
Harvested	99	94	100	99

(NA) Not available.

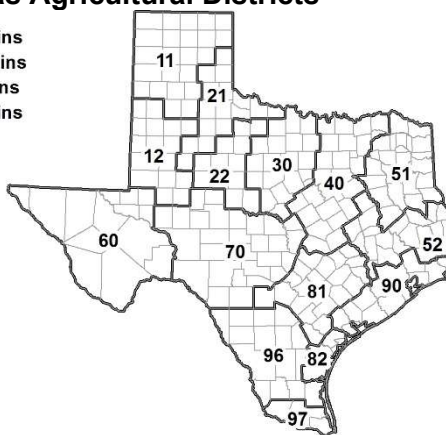
### Crop Condition

Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index <sup>1</sup>	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2021	2020
Corn	17	41	31	9	2	77	73
Cotton	12	40	37	9	2	74	56
Peanuts	2	53	40	5	0	75	73
Rice	18	38	42	1	1	80	81
Sorghum	19	45	27	7	2	79	69
Soybeans	3	35	49	10	3	67	77
Range and Pasture	21	37	26	10	6	75	48

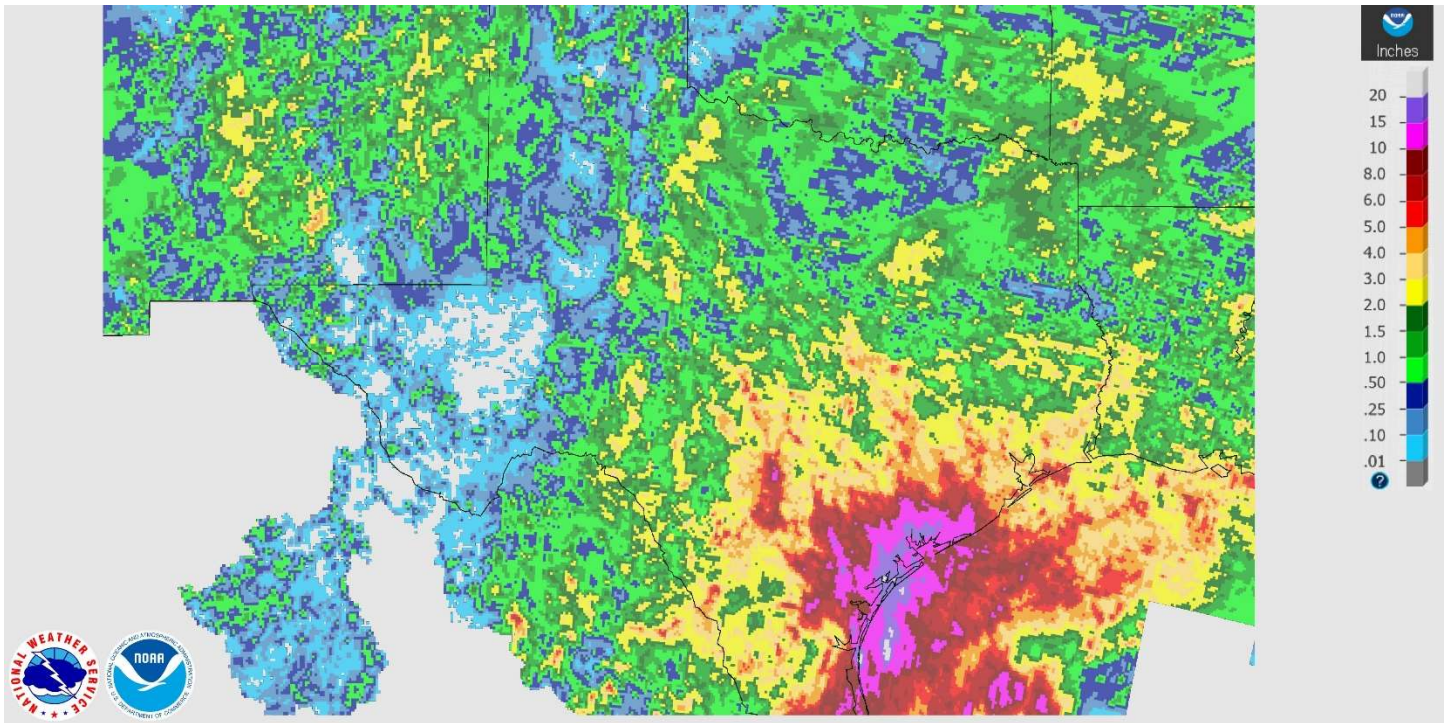
<sup>1</sup> The formula for the condition index is  $I = (5V + 25P + 60F + 90G + 110E)/100$  where I = crop condition index and V, P, F, G, E = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

### 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

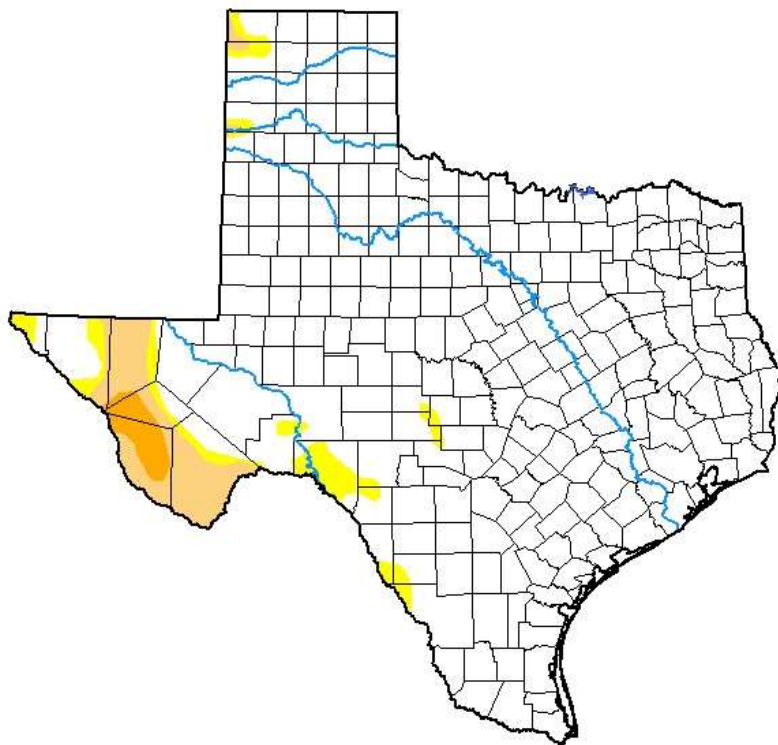


# Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, July 18, 2021.



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

## Drought Monitor, Valid July 13, 2021.



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	91.38	8.62	5.34	1.16	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>07-06-2021</i>	87.07	12.93	5.98	1.17	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>04-13-2021</i>	8.22	91.78	75.19	39.61	24.29	8.53
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-29-2020</i>	8.80	91.20	81.11	50.33	30.09	13.03
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2020</i>	57.35	42.65	31.96	20.91	12.02	3.29
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>07-14-2020</i>	42.96	57.04	32.17	11.67	3.03	0.00

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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

Author:

Adam Hartman  
NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC



[droughtmonitor.unl.edu](http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu)

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