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Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Warm temperatures returned to much of the state. Rainfall was limited across the state with trace amounts recieved along the Upper Coast. Drought conditions ranged from none to extreme drought with areas in the Trans-Pecos and the Edwards Plateau districts being the driest. There was an average of 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grains: Small grains responded to warmer temperatures with increased growth. Winter wheat headed reached 8 percent, down 2 points from the previous year. Oats headed reached 6 percent, down 1 point from the previous year.

Row Crops: Corn producers in the southern part of the state took advantage of the warm temperatures and dry conditions to continue planting.

Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops: In the Lower Valley, sugarcane, citrus and cool vegetable harvest were still moving forward.

Livestock, Range and Pasture: Pasture and range cool season grasses were greening up in response to above normal temperatures and dry weather. Pasture and range conditions were rated fair to poor. Supplemental feeding of livestock continued.

Crop Progress by Percent

For Week Ending February 25, 2024

Store	Percentage of Acreage					
Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average		
Winter Wheat Headed Oats	8	5	10	9		
Headed	6	3	7	7		

Crop Condition by Percent

For Week Ending February 25, 2024

Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index ¹	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2024	2023
Wheat	10	36	35	10	9	67	44
Oats	2	14	49	18	17	50	39
Range and Pasture	2	10	37	28	23	42	33

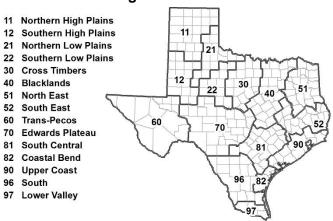
¹ The formula for the condition index is I = (5V + 25P + 60F + 90G + 110E)/100 where I = crop condition index and V, P, F, G, E = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

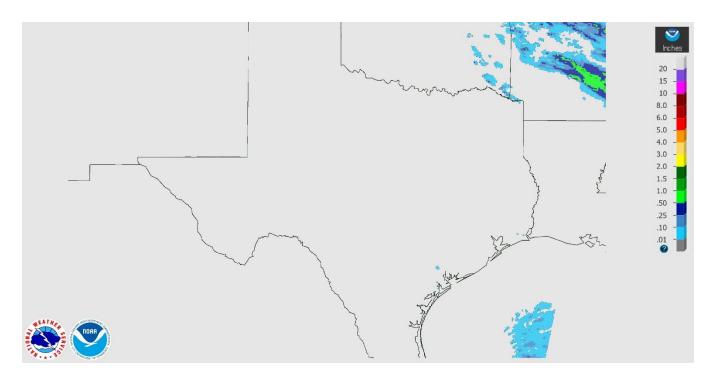
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District

For Week Ending February 25, 2024

	Subsoil Moisture Condition by District			Topsoil 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	1	9	86	4	1	28	67	4	5.8
12	40	44	15	1	44	45	11	0	5.5
21	2	42	56	0	2	46	52	0	5.5
22	2	13	84	1	0	17	79	4	6.0
30	7	39	54	0	2	32	66	0	6.0
40	1	12	72	15	2	18	68	12	5.4
51	0	3	75	22	0	4	81	15	5.0
52	1	12	70	17	0	6	81	13	6.2
60	20	22	56	2	22	42	34	2	6.0
70	21	19	59	1	22	24	54	0	5.7
81	4	32	44	20	5	38	48	9	5.9
82	0	8	87	5	2	8	85	5	6.0
90	0	4	71	25	0	7	67	26	5.1
96	10	28	61	1	14	26	59	1	6.0
97	7	12	69	12	6	12	72	10	4.9
State	10	22	61	7	11	27	56	6	5.6

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

Drought Monitor, Map Released: February 22, 2024

