



## Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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**Weekly Summary for Jun 29 - July 5**

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Weather conditions last week were mostly hot and dry in the southern and central parts of the state. Precipitation ranged from trace amounts to 2 inches of rain in the Plains, the Cross Timbers, the Blacklands, East Texas, with areas in South Central Texas getting upwards of 5 inches of rain. Many areas of the state reported high temperatures in the triple digits. There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork.

**Small Grains:** Some small grains producers in the Blacklands took advantage of the moisture to start preparing their fields for fall seeding.

**Row Crops:** Dryland cotton was struggling in the Plains. Irrigated cotton in the Northern High Plains had a good stand and was squaring. Some fields in the Northern Low Plains were sprayed for flea hoppers, while cutworms and grasshoppers were plaguing some fields in the Southern Low Plains. The crop was setting bolls in the Upper Coast, South Texas and the Lower Valley. Cotton continued showing progress in the Blacklands, the Trans-Pecos and South Central Texas. Corn was being harvested for silage in the Cross Timbers and the Blacklands. Corn conditions were mixed in the Blacklands as early planted fields looked good but some areas with later planting dates suffered. Harvest was ongoing in areas of the Upper Coast, South Texas and the Lower Valley. Peanuts in the Southern High Plains were blooming. Sorghum harvest was active in areas of the Coastal Bend and the Upper Coast.

**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops:** Pecan orchards were in good condition in the Southern High Plains, the Trans-Pecos and the Edwards Plateau. However, aphids were causing problems in areas of North East Texas. Fruits and vegetables harvest continued in North East Texas. Watermelon harvest continued in South Texas.

**Livestock, Range and Pasture:** Livestock were mostly rated good to fair across the state. Use of supplemental feed was reported in the Edwards Plateau and South Texas. Pasture and range condition remained mostly fair to good.

### Crop Progress

Stage	Percent of Acreage			
	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
Corn				
Silked	64	62	72	63
Dough	57	40	46	47
Cotton				
Squaring	40	30	35	38
Setting Bolls	14	13	9	12
Peanuts				
Pegging	10	1	1	17
Rice				
Headed	75	54	43	53
Sorghum				
Headed	68	64	61	62
Coloring	47	44	43	46
Soybeans				
Blooming	52	40	56	51
Setting Pods	5	(NA)	(NA)	9
Sunflowers				
Planted	83	80	82	91
Harvested	9	8	1	(NA)
Oats				
Harvested	93	92	93	95

(NA) Not available.

### Crop Condition

Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index <sup>1</sup>	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2020	2019
Corn	11	42	37	8	2	74	82
Cotton	4	18	42	30	6	54	66
Peanuts	0	59	24	17	0	72	91
Rice	23	43	34	0	0	84	73
Sorghum	5	33	44	16	2	66	88
Soybeans	10	56	32	2	0	81	71
Wheat	3	31	38	21	7	60	80
Oats	3	35	40	17	5	63	69
Range and Pasture	3	27	36	23	11	56	81

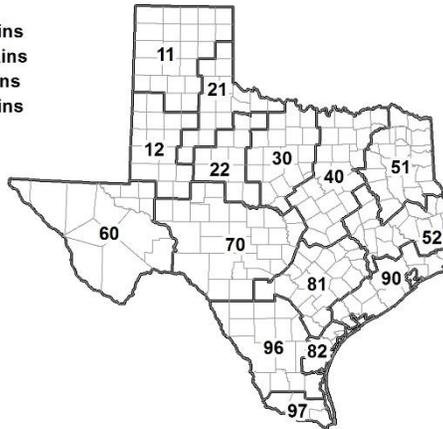
<sup>1</sup> The formula for the condition index is  $I = (5V + 25P + 60F + 90G + 110E)/100$  where I = crop condition index and V, P, F, G, E = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District

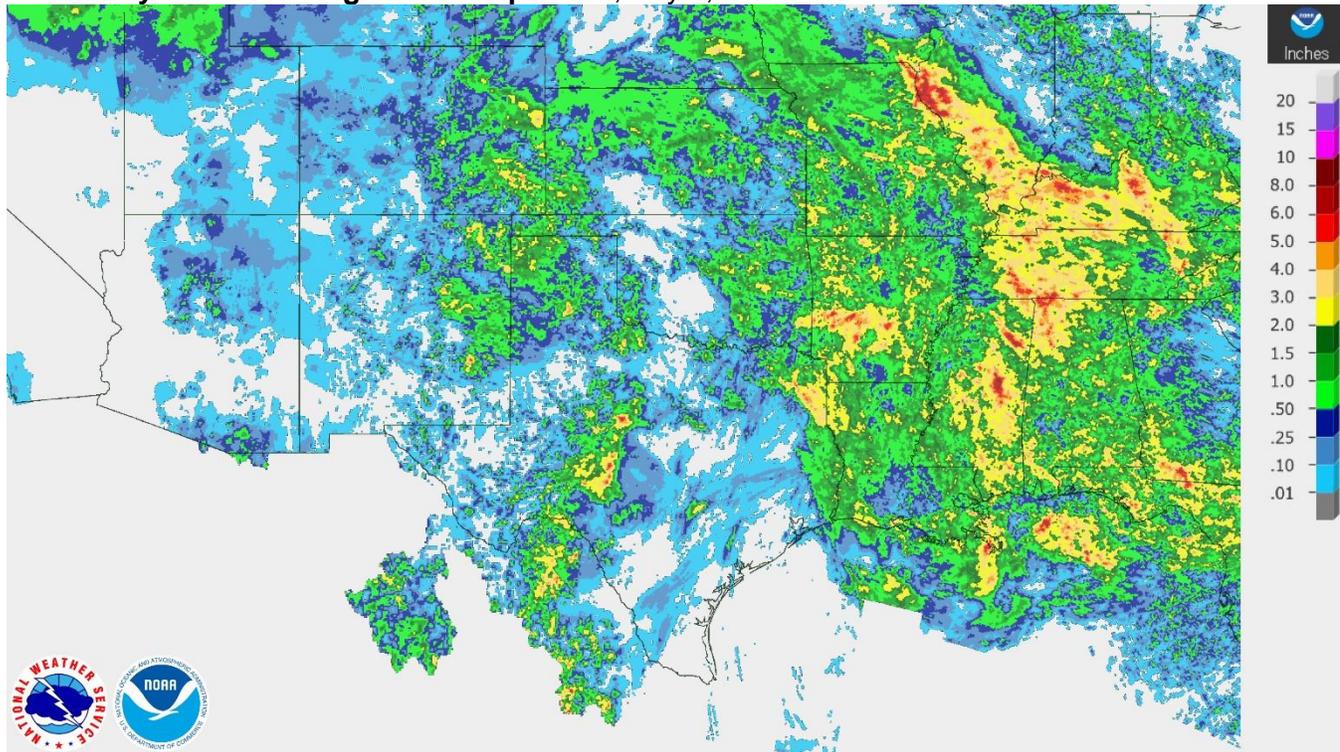
District	Topsoil Moisture Condition by District				Subsoil Moisture Condition by District				Days Suitable for Fieldwork
	Percentage of Acreage				Percentage of Acreage				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
11	63	25	2	10	28	58	13	1	7.0
12	22	51	26	1	15	58	24	3	5.1
21	12	48	40	0	8	52	40	0	6.6
22	17	47	30	6	11	39	42	8	5.6
30	3	24	69	4	6	26	68	0	6.1
40	10	43	44	3	3	41	51	5	6.2
51	7	39	53	1	17	29	53	1	6.1
52	4	53	35	8	4	46	48	2	6.8
60	15	50	35	0	16	50	34	0	6.7
70	27	43	30	0	30	43	27	0	6.3
81	24	53	22	1	12	65	23	0	6.6
82	17	25	54	4	0	37	63	0	6.2
90	2	31	46	21	2	33	47	18	2.0
96	28	24	48	0	24	28	46	2	6.4
97	13	29	54	4	5	16	70	9	5.4
State	25	39	31	5	14	47	36	3	5.9

### 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

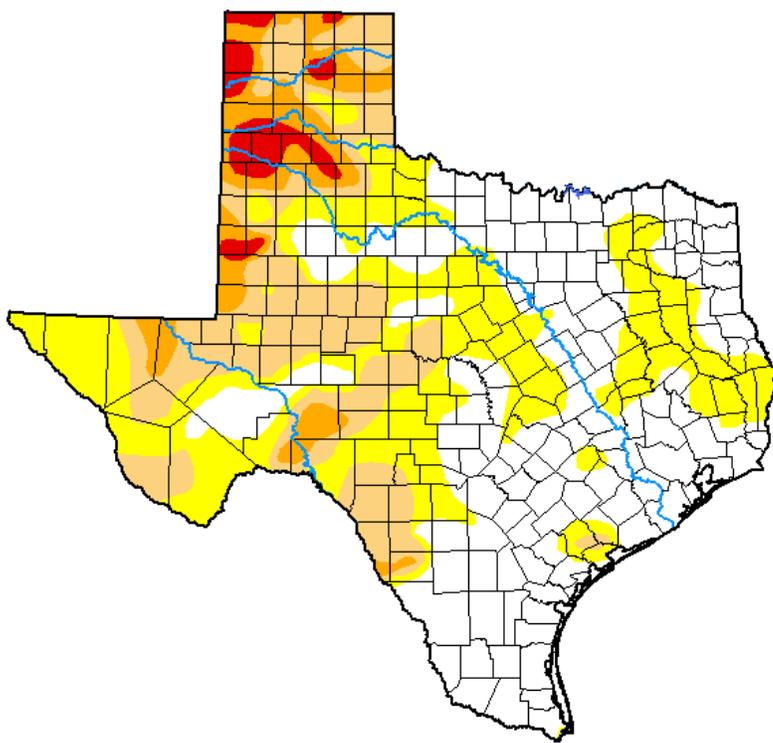


## Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, July 5, 2020.



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

## Drought Monitor, Valid June 30, 2020.



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	42.41	57.59	27.97	9.60	2.87	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 06-23-2020	47.22	52.78	24.82	9.17	1.38	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 03-31-2020	73.40	26.60	20.26	14.60	5.47	0.35
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12-31-2019	44.69	55.31	36.12	9.19	0.74	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 10-01-2019	31.74	68.26	46.05	22.33	6.32	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 07-02-2019	94.84	5.16	1.34	0.05	0.00	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>

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