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# **Oklahoma Crop Progress and Condition**

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Weekly Summary for March 6 - March 12

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The Eastern part of the state received more rain this week, while the Western part of the state was still experiencing dry conditions. Rainfall totals in Oklahoma averaged 0.80 of an inch. According to the March 7<sup>th</sup> US Drought Monitor Report, drought conditions were rated 67 percent abnormally dry to exceptional drought, down 25 points from last year. Additionally, 60 percent of the state was in the moderate drought to exceptional drought categories, down 27 points from the previous year. Statewide, temperatures averaged in the 50's. Topsoil moisture conditions were rated adequate to short. Subsoil moisture conditions were rated very short to adequate. There were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork.

**Small Grains:** Small grain conditions continued to be tested in the Western part of the state at the critical stage of jointing. Winter wheat jointing reached 12 percent, up 5 points from the previous year and up 2 points from normal. Rye jointing reached 5 percent, up 2 points from the previous year and up 2 points from normal. Oats jointing reached 11 percent, up 11 points from the previous year and up 10 points from normal.

**Pasture and Livestock:** Pasture and range condition was rated at 70 percent very poor to fair. Livestock condition was rated at 81 percent fair to good.

#### Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent For Week Ending March 12, 2023

Moisture Rating	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	
Topsoil				
Very Short	23	18	27	
Short	26	31	35	
Adequate	43	44	38	
Surplus	8	7	0	
Subsoil				
Very Short	39	35	29	
Short	25	26	39	
Adequate	32	35	32	
Surplus	4	4	0	

## **Crop and Livestock Conditions by Percent**

For Week Ending March 12, 2023

Commodity	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat	22	22	26	26	4
Rye	12	23	52	13	0
Oats	2	24	39	34	1
Livestock	4	12	42	39	3
Pasture and Range	39	21	31	9	0

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**Crop Progress by Percent** For Week Ending March 12, 2023

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	Five Year Average
Wheat	Jointing	12	3	7	10
Rye	Jointing	5	0	3	3
Oats	Jointing	11	2	0	1

**Weather for Week Ending:** Temperatures ranged from 19 degrees at Hooker on Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> to 90 degrees at Magnum on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. Precipitation ranged from trace amounts in the Panhandle district to 0.71 inches in the Southeast district. Soil temperature averages ranged from 44 degrees at Hooker on Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, to 62 degrees at Waurika on Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup>.

# Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data For Week Ending March 12, 2023

	Temperature			Precipitation			
Districts	High Low			Commo mat	September 1, 2022 to March 12, 2023		
		Average	Current Week	Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal	
		degrees		inches	inches	inches	percent
Panhandle	54	32	43	0.02	2.02	-4.76	30
North Central	56	36	46	0.03	6.47	-5.46	54
Northeast	57	41	49	0.63	14.78	-4.03	79
West Central	60	37	48	0.01	7.15	-4.08	64
Central	60	41	50	0.65	11.90	-4.40	73
East Central	61	45	53	1.19	22.13	-0.44	98
Southwest	63	39	51	0.22	10.75	-1.98	84
South Central	66	46	55	1.83	17.92	-1.38	93
Southeast	66	47	56	2.66	29.45	3.44	113