



Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Weekly Summary for March 3 - March 9

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Most of the state experienced dry and strong windy days, while confirmed tornadoes were sited in North East and South East Texas. Rainfall ranged from trace amounts up to 5 inches, with the Cross Timbers and North East Texas receiving the most rain. Drought conditions ranged from none to exceptional drought with areas in the Trans-Pecos and South Central Texas being the driest. There was an average of 5 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grains: In the Northern Low Plains, the Cross Timbers, and the Edwards Plateau, small grains were improving due to recent rain. In the Blacklands and South East Texas, some small grains were showing signs of freeze damage. In the Southern High Plains, winter wheat was damaged from blowing sand. Winter wheat headed reached 10 percent, unchanged from the previous year, but down 6 points from normal. Oats headed reached 9 percent, unchanged from the previous year, but down 6 points from normal.

Row Crops: In the Blacklands, the Cross Timbers, the Upper Coast, and the Lower Valley, producers were planting corn and sorghum. Corn planted reached 24 percent, up 5 points from the previous year, and up 1 point from normal. Sorghum planted reached 20 percent, up 3 points from the previous year, and up 1 point from normal. In the Trans-Pecos and the Edwards-Plateau, producers were plowing and irrigating cotton fields.

Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops: In the Blacklands, winter vegetables and plum trees were progressing. In the Trans-Pecos, producers were irrigating pecan orchards. In South Texas, producers were harvesting citrus and vegetables.

Range and Pasture: In the Northern High Plains, cattle were grazing on winter wheat. In the Blacklands, the Northern Low Plains, and the Upper Coast, pastures were improving and growing. In the Southern Low Plains and the Cross Timbers, the grass remained dormant. In North East Texas, producers were implementing control measures for feral hogs. There were wildfires in the Northern High Plains and the Edwards Plateau. Producers continued supplemental feeding of livestock. Pasture and range conditions were rated at 65 percent, poor to very poor.

**Crop Progress by Percent
For Week Ending March 9, 2025**

Stage	Percentage of Acreage			
	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
Corn				
Planted	24	(NA)	19	23
Sorghum				
Planted	20	(NA)	17	19
Winter Wheat				
Headed	10	8	10	16
Oats				
Headed	9	5	9	15

(NA) Not available.

**Crop Condition by Percent
For Week Ending March 9, 2025**

Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index ¹	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2025	2024
Winter Wheat	5	23	32	29	11	53	63
Oats	1	8	23	25	43	31	53
Range and Pasture	1	8	26	36	29	34	41

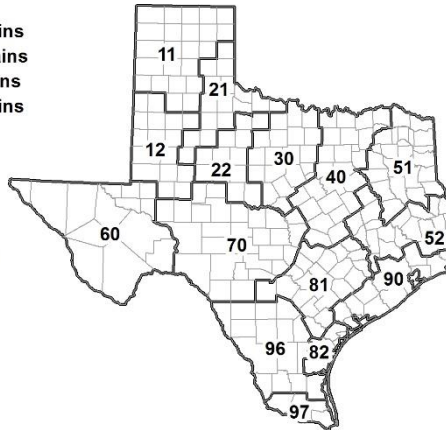
¹ The formula for the condition index is $I = (110E + 90G + 60F + 25P + 5V)/100$ where I = crop condition index and E, G, F, P, V = percentage of crop rated excellent, good, fair, poor, very poor.

**Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District
For Week Ending March 9, 2025**

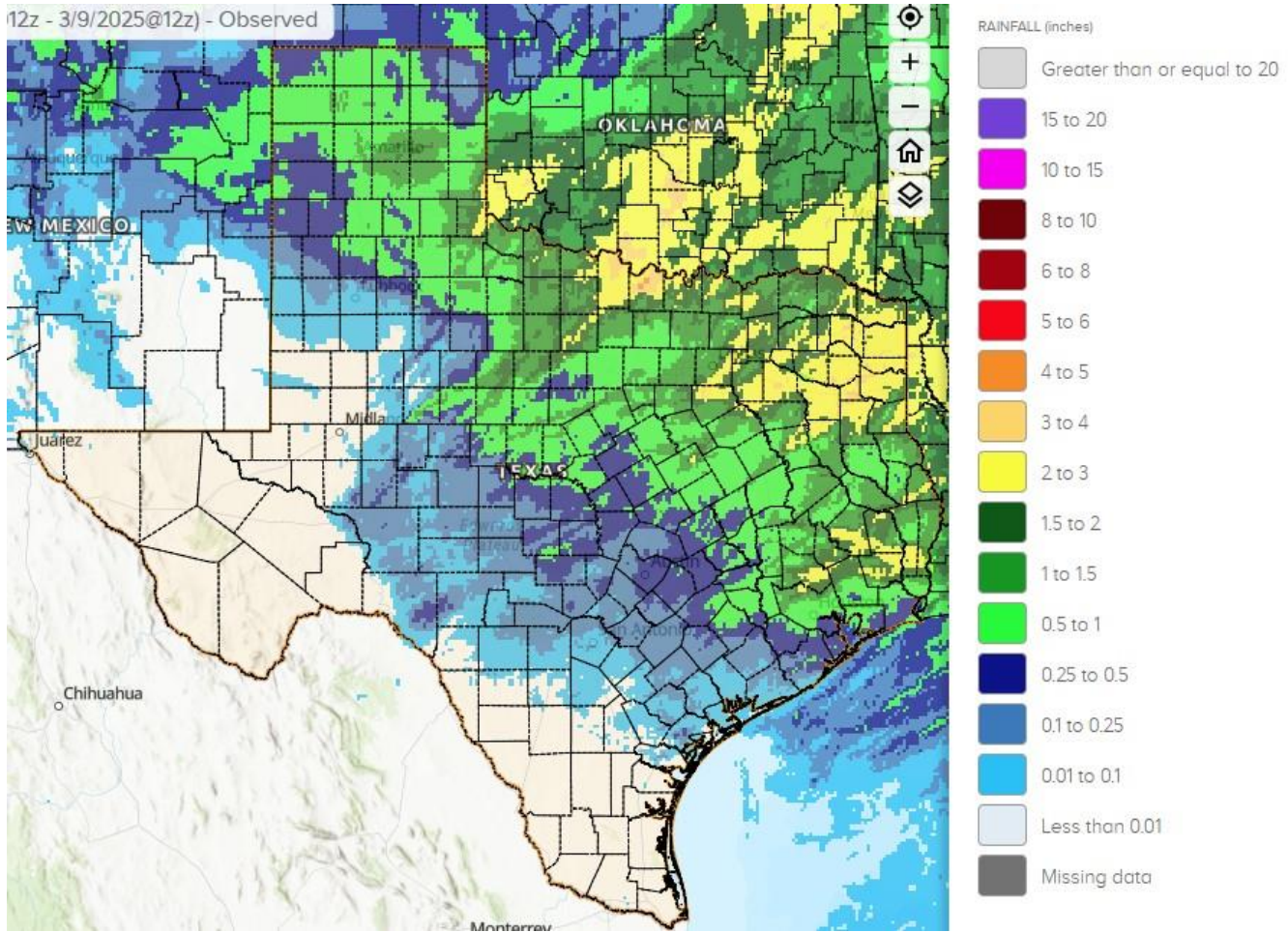
District	Subsoil Moisture Condition by District				Topsoil Moisture Condition by District				Days Suitable for Fieldwork
	Percentage of Acreage				Percentage of Acreage				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
11	23	26	51	0	2	40	58	0	3.6
12	71	24	5	0	67	19	14	0	5.2
21	23	66	11	0	17	71	12	0	4.6
22	40	50	10	0	41	52	7	0	5.5
30	8	47	45	0	13	43	39	5	5.8
40	16	21	44	19	7	11	65	17	5.0
51	0	9	59	32	0	5	61	34	4.5
52	1	11	56	32	1	12	58	29	5.2
60	36	28	36	0	37	27	36	0	4.0
70	41	48	11	0	48	43	9	0	5.2
81	32	53	15	0	34	47	19	0	6.6
82	39	52	9	0	35	56	9	0	5.5
90	0	7	75	18	7	14	63	16	5.5
96	51	44	5	0	51	45	4	0	6.1
97	20	37	43	0	22	50	28	0	5.4
State	31	33	31	5	26	34	35	5	5.0

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

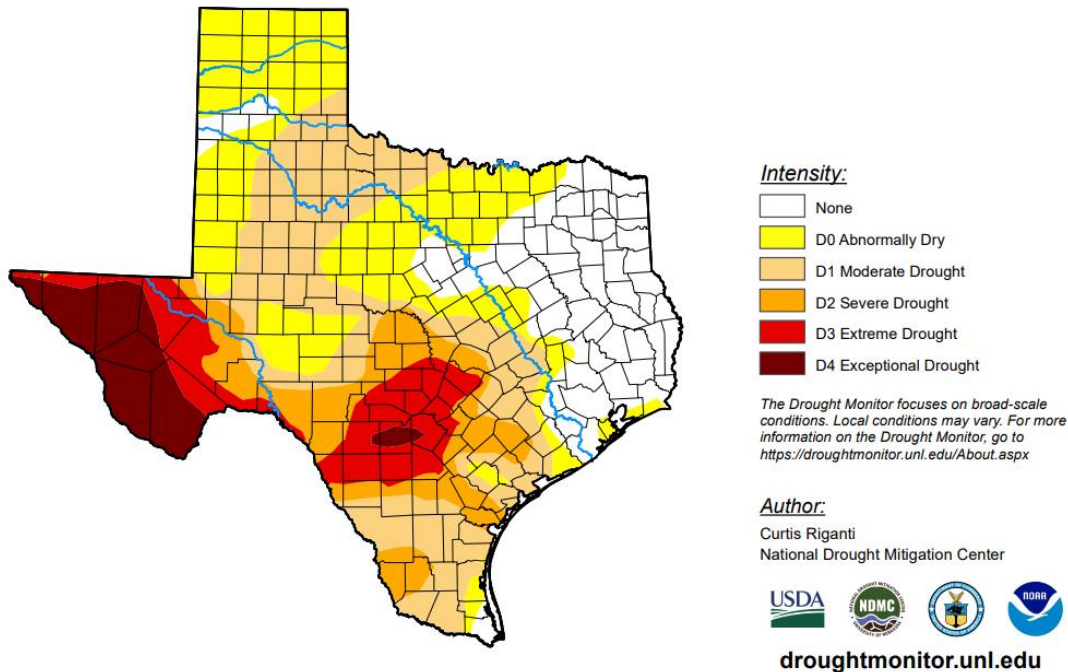


Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, March 9, 2025



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

Drought Monitor, Map Released: March 6, 2025



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