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Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Weather conditions remained dry with little to no rain throughout the state. Rainfall ranged from trace amounts up to 2 inches, with the Northern High Plains and the Lower Valley receiving the most rain. Drought conditions ranged from none to exceptional drought with areas in the Trans-Pecos being the driest. There was an average of 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grains: Despite dry conditions, some small grain producers continued to plant, while others were waiting for more moisture. In the Southern Low Plains and the Cross Timbers, producers were noticing army worms in emerged winter wheat. In the Edwards Plateau, irrigated winter wheat and oat were progressing. Winter wheat planted reached 70 percent, up 5 points from the previous week and from normal. Winter wheat emerged reached 46 percent, up 6 points from the previous week, but down 6 points from normal. In the Blacklands, emerged oats were drying out due to lack of moisture. Oats planted reached 78 percent, up 8 points from the previous week and up 12 points from normal. Oats emerged reached 47 percent, up 12 points from the previous week, and up 8 points from normal.

Row Crops: In some parts of the state, cotton producers continued harvesting cotton. In the Northern Low Plains and the Edwards Plateau, cotton producers were destroying failed crop. Cotton bolls opening reached 95 percent, up 3 points from the previous week and from normal. Cotton harvested reached 48 percent, up 5 points from the previous week and from normal. In the Cross Timbers and South Texas, producers were harvesting peanuts. Peanuts mature reached 90 percent, up 4 points from the previous week, and up 24 points from normal. Peanuts harvested reached 50 percent, up 15 points from the previous week, and up 9 points from normal. Soybeans harvested reach 83 percent, up 5 points from the previous week, and up 3 points from normal.

Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops: In the Lower Valley and South Texas, producers were planting onion, carrots, leafy greens, and other cool season vegetables. In the Trans-Pecos, pecans were progressing. In the Edwards Plateau and South Central Texas, some pecans were being harvested. In South Texas, producers were harvesting fall vegetables. In the Lower Valley, producers continued to harvest citrus.

Range and Pasture: Pasture conditions remained dry. Most parts of the state will need additional rain to improve dry pasture conditions. In the Cross Timbers, the Lower Valley, and South Texas, producers were finishing up the cutting and baling of hay. Producers continued supplemental feeding of livestock. Pasture and range conditions were rated at 63 percent, poor to very poor.

Crop Progress by Percent For Week Ending October 27, 2024

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Cto	Percentage of Acreage						
Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average			
Upland Cotton							
Bolls Opening	95	92	88	92			
Harvested	48	43	42	43			
Peanuts							
Mature	90	86	75	66			
Harvested	50	35	46	41			
Soybeans							
Harvested	83	78	78	80			
Winter Wheat							
Planted	70	65	72	75			
Emerged	46	40	52	52			
Oats							
Planted	78	70	23	66			
Emerged	47	35	-	39			

⁻Represents zero.

Crop Condition by Percent For Week Ending October 27, 2024

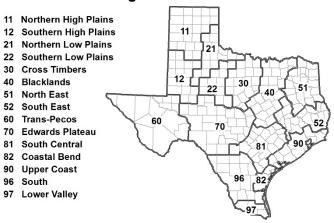
Cron	Percent of Acreage					Index ¹	
Crop	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2024	2023
Upland Cotton	2	20	28	28	22	45	33
Peanuts	3	47	46	3	1	74	69
Soybeans	1	33	38	24	4	60	61
Winter Wheat	4	26	35	21	14	55	67
Range and Pasture	1	10	26	36	27	36	35

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 very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

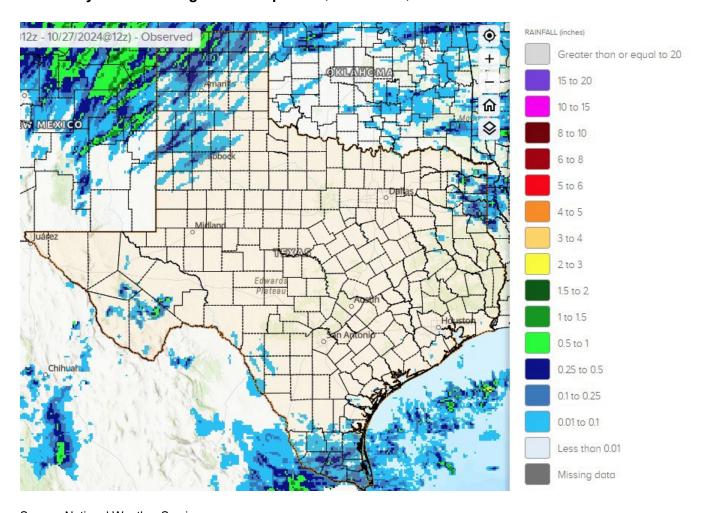
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District For Week Ending October 27, 2024

	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	36	56	8	0	36	53	11	0	5.7
12	57	38	5	0	31	66	2	1	4.8
21	79	17	4	0	80	17	3	0	5.6
22	29	49	22	0	44	45	11	0	6.8
30	31	48	21	0	47	38	15	0	5.7
40	58	34	8	0	62	34	4	0	6.6
51	35	57	8	0	39	54	7	0	7.0
52	18	68	10	4	40	48	11	1	7.0
60	20	80	0	0	20	80	0	0	3.3
70	34	54	11	1	55	39	6	0	6.8
81	50	48	2	0	59	41	0	0	7.0
82	90	10	0	0	100	0	0	0	3.8
90	34	50	15	1	58	25	16	1	6.2
96	28	51	20	1	32	47	20	1	6.8
97	3	27	68	2	25	44	31	0	5.4
State	45	44	11	0	47	45	8	0	5.9

Texas Agricultural Districts



Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, October 27, 2024



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

Drought Monitor, Map Released: October 24, 2024

