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Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Most of the state experienced mild weather conditions, with little to no rain. Rainfall ranged from trace amounts up to 2 inches, with the Upper Coast and South East Texas 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 4.6 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grains: Wet field conditions delayed small grain activity in some parts of the state. In the Cross Timbers, South Texas, and South Central Texas, producers were planting winter wheat. In the Blacklands and South Central Texas winter wheat was emerging. Winter wheat planted reached 86 percent, up 5 points from the previous week, but down 3 points from normal. Winter wheat emerged reached 71 percent, up 8 points from the previous week, but down 2 points from normal. In the Cross Timbers and South Texas, producers were waiting for more rain to plant oats. In the Blacklands, oats were emerging. Oats planted reached 90 percent, up 4 points from the previous week and up 11 points from normal. Oats emerged reached 77 percent, up 2 points from the previous week, and up 13 points from normal.

Row Crops: In the Edwards Plateau, producers were harvesting cotton. In the Northern High Plains and the Southern Low Plains, producers were harvesting cotton as wet fields began to dry out. Cotton harvested reached 72 percent, up 7 points from the previous week, and up 8 points from normal. In South Texas, producers continued harvesting peanuts. Peanuts harvested reached 82 percent, up 5 points from the previous week, and up 10 points from normal.

Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops: In South Texas, producers were planting leafy greens, cabbage, and onions. In South Texas and in the Lower Valley, producers were harvesting fall vegetables. In the Trans-Pecos and South Central Texas, producers were harvesting pecans.

Range and Pasture: In the Blacklands and North East Texas, pastures were greening up as a result of the recent rain. In the Cross Timbers, the Southern Low Plains, and the Edwards Plateau, rain water filled some tanks reserved for livestock, while operators in South Texas and North East Texas, were noticing lower water levels in ponds. In most parts of the state, 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 November 17, 2024

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Stage	Percentage of Acreage							
Otage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average				
Upland Cotton								
Harvested	72	65	65	64				
Peanuts								
Harvested	82	77	72	72				
Winter Wheat								
Planted	86	81	86	89				
Emerged	71	63	71	73				
Oats								
Planted	90	86	23	79				
Emerged	77	75	-	64				

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Condition by Percent For Week Ending November 17, 2024

Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index ¹	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2024	2023
Upland Cotton	2	16	27	33	22	42	42
Peanuts	3	47	46	3	1	74	62
Winter Wheat	10	37	31	14	8	67	45
Oats	1	23	21	24	31	42	(NA)
Range and Pasture	1	11	25	35	28	36	39

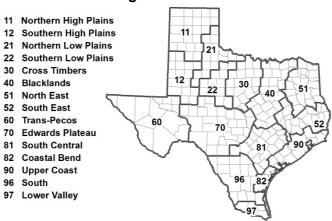
¹ The formula for the condition index is I = (110E + 90G + 60F + 25P + 5V)/100 where I = crop condition index and E, G, F, P, V = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

(NA) Not available.

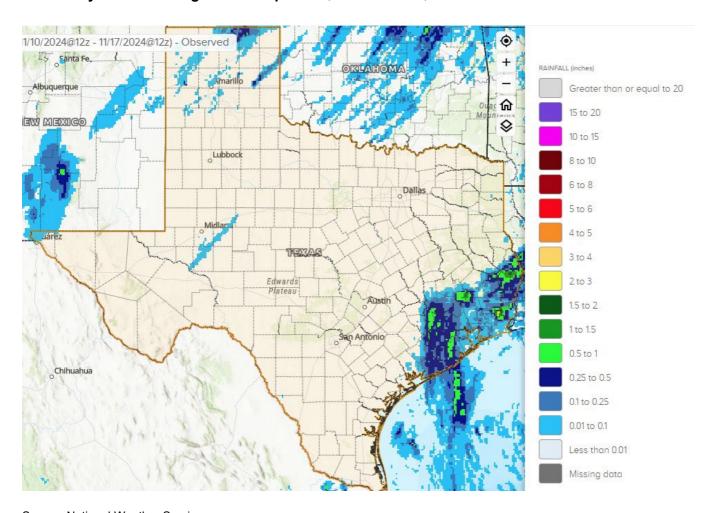
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District For Week Ending November 17, 2024

	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	2	5	88	5	3	2	51	44	2.5
12	45	38	15	2	42	54	3	1	4.2
21	4	42	51	3	1	19	66	14	4.8
22	0	20	79	1	0	8	79	13	4.7
30	8	42	46	4	5	31	56	8	5.1
40	26	36	37	1	23	30	43	4	5.0
51	11	32	54	3	12	27	58	3	5.5
52	17	50	26	7	16	32	48	4	5.7
60	15	85	0	0	20	80	0	0	6.5
70	42	21	19	18	42	20	20	18	4.6
81	30	45	25	0	32	46	22	0	6.6
82	61	31	8	0	63	37	0	0	6.1
90	36	51	13	0	32	53	14	1	6.1
96	32	53	15	0	27	61	12	0	6.3
97	5	37	58	0	45	29	26	0	7.0
State	21	31	45	3	21	29	37	13	4.6

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Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, November 17, 2024



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

Drought Monitor, Map Released: November 14, 2024

