



# **Texas Crop Progress and Condition**

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Temperatures were mostly cool across Texas last week. Freezing temperatures were experienced mid-week in the northern parts of the state. The Plains, the Cross Timbers, the Blacklands, the Trans-Pecos and North East Texas received little to no precipitation, while rainfall in the rest of the state ranged from 0.2 to 1.5 inches. There were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork.

**Small Grains:** Wheat seeding continued in the High Plains. Poor emergence was reported in areas of the Southern Low Plains and the Cross Timbers due to cold temperatures. Producers continued seeding small grains in the Blacklands, while seeding in South Texas slowed due to weather conditions.

**Row Crops:** Cotton harvest continued in the Plains, the Blacklands, East Texas, the Edwards Plateau and the Trans-Pecos. Harvest of corn and sorghum continued in the Northern High Plains. Rainfall interrupted peanut harvest in South Texas as well as the ratoon rice harvest in the Upper Coast.

Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops: Spinach and cabbage progressed in South Texas, while baby leaf spinach was nearing harvest. Pecan harvest was underway in the Cross Timbers, the Blacklands, the Trans-Pecos, the Edwards Plateau, South Central Texas, the Upper Coast and South Texas. Producers in the Southern High Plains experienced harvest delays, but expect to continue as soon as pecans dry to expectable moisture.

Livestock, Range and Pasture: Livestock condition continued mostly fair to good across the state. The use of supplemental feed remained high in many areas. Range and pasture condition was rated mostly fair to poor.

			Crop Condition	on				
Cron		Pe	Index <sup>1</sup>					
Crop	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2019	2018	
Corn	11	41	38	9	1	74	54	
Cotton	3	20	45	24	8	55	52	
Peanuts	0	47	52	1	0	74	70	
Soybeans	1	30	48	16	5	61	64	
Wheat	9	21	39	22	9	58	76	
Oats	5	41	34	12	8	66	66	
Range and Pasture	2	13	35	34	16			

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<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.

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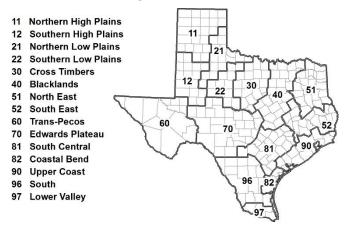
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		Crop Progress							
Stage	Percent of Acreage								
Slaye	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average					
Corn									
Harvested	95	92	95	96					
Cotton									
Harvested	56	50	46	52					
Peanuts									
Mature	76	71	77	77					
Harvested	70	60	68	81					
Soybeans									
Harvested	88	83	88	88					
Sunflowers									
Harvested	87	85	85	87					
Vinter Wheat									
Planted	85	82	84	87					
Emerged	72	69	71	75					
Dats									
Planted	94	90	92	92					
Emerged	87	85	69	69					

#### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District

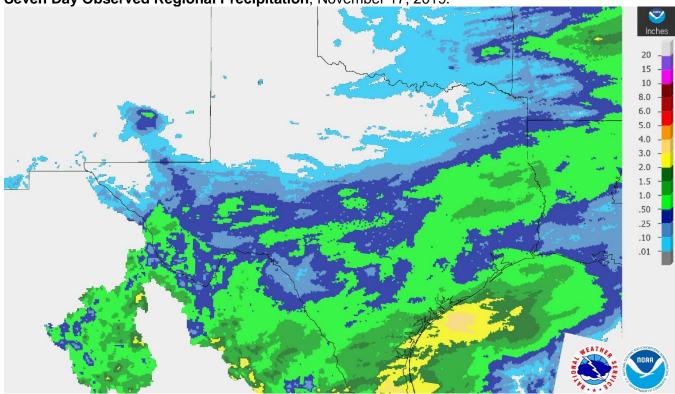
	Topsoil Moisture Condition by District			Subsoil Moisture Condition by District				Days	
District		Percentage of	of Acreage		Percentage of Acreage				Suitable for
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Fieldwork
11	7	39	54	0	3	32	65	0	6.9
12	5	37	53	5	7	56	33	4	6.1
21	14	50	34	2	23	48	29	0	6.1
22	15	41	40	4	32	35	30	3	5.6
30	6	34	58	2	12	41	47	0	5.8
40	2	24	70	4	9	31	55	5	5.2
51	2	27	68	3	5	25	64	6	6.2
52	2	14	40	44	2	14	49	35	4.2
60	16	31	53	0	17	31	52	0	5.4
70	19	62	19	0	31	49	19	1	6.4
81	3	42	51	4	15	38	47	0	5.1
82	2	29	56	13	5	43	45	7	1.7
90	0	4	66	30	0	21	52	27	3.3
96	9	32	59	0	11	39	49	1	5.3
97	15	37	37	11	12	29	52	7	7.0
State	7	35	53	5	11	38	47	4	5.8

### **Texas Agricultural Districts**



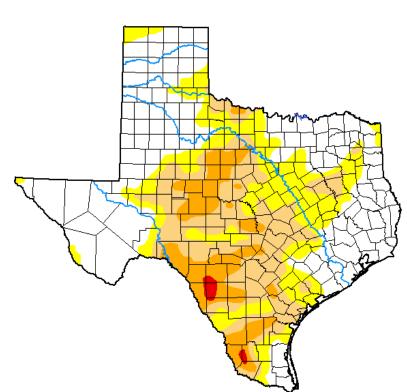
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Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, November 17, 2019.



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

## Drought Monitor, Valid November 12, 2019.



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

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	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	46.76	53.24	31.97	11.04	0.56	0.00
Last Week 11-05-2019	42.29	57.71	40.96	19.22	6.00	0.00
3 Month s Ago 08-13-2019	35.20	64.80	22.18	4.08	0.21	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-01-2019	92.99	7.01	1.32	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2019	31.74	68.26	46.05	22.33	6.32	0.00
One Year Ago 11-13-2018	97.73	2.27	0.99	0.00	0.00	0.00

#### Intensity:



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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