



Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Areas of the Lower Valley, South Texas, the Coastal Bend, the Upper coast, the Northern High Plains, and the Trans Pecos received from trace amounts to one inch of precipitation. Drought conditions ranged from none to exceptionally dry, with isolated parts of South Central Texas, the Southern Low Plains, and the Blacklands being the driest. There was an average of 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork, up from 6.7 days the previous week.

Small Grains: In the Plains, wheat planting continued, with some earlier planted wheat starting to emerge. Some producers in South Texas prepared fields for oats planting.

Row Crops: Producers in the Northern High Plains continued harvesting corn for silage. Cotton harvest continued in southern areas of the state; drier conditions allowed harvest to continue. Producers in the north waited for bolls to open while others have filed insurance claims for failed crops. Cotton condition was mostly poor-to-fair statewide.

Livestock, Range and Pasture: Supplemental feeding continued across the state. Pastures started to green from the rain received in previous weeks in some areas of the state but areas in the Blacklands and much of the Plains needed more moisture. Range and pasture conditions were rated 56 percent fair to poor.

Crop Progress									
Store	Percent of Acreage								
Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average					
Corn									
Mature	93	85	93	85					
Harvested	72	68	81	71					
Cotton									
Bolls Opening	62	55	52	53					
Harvested	25	20	21	21					
Peanuts									
Mature	34	29	33	27					
Rice									
Harvested	93	92	94	97					
Sorghum									
Mature	96	93	89	86					
Harvested	82	78	79	79					
Soybeans									
Dropping Leaves	87	83	88	79					
Harvested	31	25	58	55					
Sunflowers									
Harvested	75	70	68	63					
Winter Wheat									
Planted	44	33	35	31					
Emerged	9	3	9	5					
Oats									
Planted	23	5	24	19					

(NA) Not available.

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Crop Condition

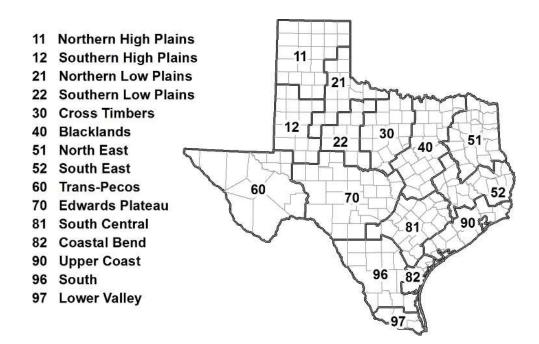
Сгор		P	Index ¹				
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2022	2021
Corn	3	14	31	23	29	42	78
Cotton	0	12	27	40	21	38	78
Peanuts	0	33	46	16	5	62	80
Rice	22	29	48	1	0	79	-3
Sorghum	1	16	41	29	13	48	79
Soybeans	1	13	30	33	23	40	-3
Range and Pasture	5	15	32	24	24	45	52

¹ 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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	Subsoil	Moisture Co	ondition by Di	strict	Topsoil	Moisture Co	ndition by Di	strict	Days Suitable
District		Percentage of	of Acreage			Percentage of Acreage			
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	for Fieldwork
11	42	35	23	0	27	23	50	0	7.0
12	50	50	0	0	60	10	30	0	7.0
21	48	35	17	0	24	30	44	2	6.6
22	80	20	0	0	62	18	20	0	6.4
30	32	55	13	0	29	62	6	3	6.4
40	38	44	18	0	40	43	16	1	7.0
51	20	54	25	1	21	47	31	1	6.9
52	10	43	47	0	15	44	41	0	7.0
60	5	23	47	25	5	24	47	24	6.3
70	37	58	5	0	73	19	8	0	7.0
81	56	35	9	0	48	46	6	0	6.6
82	0	15	77	8	2	17	73	8	5.4
90	13	33	49	5	3	45	49	3	6.1
96	17	44	39	0	17	46	37	0	6.7
97	5	9	86	0	5	83	12	0	7.0
State	40	39	20	1	37	31	31	1	6.8

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District

Texas Agricultural Districts

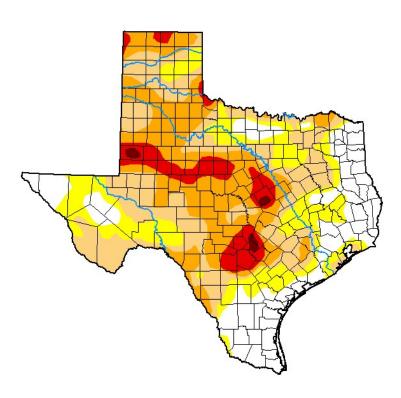


Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, September 25, 2022.



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

Drought Monitor, Valid September 20, 2022.



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Drought	Conditions	(Percent Area)

	Diought Conditions (Fercent Area)						
	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4	
Current	21.16	<mark>78.8</mark> 4	60.11	31.76	8.34	0.62	
Last Week 09-13-2022	21.62	78.38	59.40	31.92	8.34	0.62	
3 Month s Ago 06-21-2022	7.01	92.99	81.18	64.62	43.83	17.11	
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2022	7.58	92.42	79.83	54.25	16.69	0.00	
Start of Water Year 09-28-2021	45.57	54.43	7.26	0.27	0.00	0.00	
One Year Ago 09-21-2021	69.37	30.63	5.51	0.15	0.00	0.00	

Intensity:

None
D0 Abnormally Dry
D1 Moderate Drought

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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