



Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Weekly Summary for April 28 - May 4

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Most of the state received varied amounts of rainfall. Rainfall ranged from trace amounts up to 6 inches, with the Cross Timber, the Blacklands and North East Texas districts receiving the most rain. Drought conditions ranged from none to exceptional drought with areas in the Trans-Pecos, the Edwards Plateau, and South Central Texas districts being the driest. There was an average of 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grains: In most areas, winter wheat continued to head out. Winter wheat headed reached 78 percent, up 5 points from the previous year and from normal. Oats headed reached 87 percent, down one point from the previous year, and down 2 points from normal.

Row Crops: Corn planted reached 78 percent, up 3 points from the previous year and up 4 points from normal. Corn emerged reached 70 percent, up 4 points from the previous year and up 8 points from normal. Sorghum planted reached 70 percent, unchanged from previous year, but up 1 point from normal. Sorghum emerged reached 55 percent well ahead of the previous year and normal. Cotton planted reached 25 percent, up 2 points from the previous year and up 3 points from normal. Rice planted reached 93 percent, up 4 points from the previous year and from normal. Rice emerged reached 85 percent, up 8 points from the previous year, and up 6 points from normal. Soybeans planted reached 30 percent, up 21 points from the previous year but down 3 points from normal.

Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops: In the Southern High Plain, water melons were growing slowly. In South Texas and the Lower Valley, onions and cabbages were being harvested or harvest wrapped up. In South Central Texas, pecan producers were applying insecticide for casebearer eggs.

Range and Pasture: Pastures and ranges improved from recent rains received in most parts of the state. Pasture and range conditions were rated at 68 percent, fair to good.

**Crop Progress by Percent
For Week Ending May 4, 2025**

Stage	Percentage of Acreage			
	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
Corn				
Planted	78	74	75	74
Emerged	70	67	66	62
Silked	5	(NA)	4	2
Cotton				
Planted	25	21	23	22
Rice				
Planted	93	89	89	89
Emerged	85	77	77	77
Sorghum				
Planted	70	67	70	69
Emerged	55	50	8	6
Soybeans				
Planted	30	19	9	33
Emerged	15	19	9	33
Winter Wheat				
Headed	78	72	73	73
Oats				
Headed	87	79	88	89

(NA) Not available.

**Crop Condition by Percent
For Week Ending May 4, 2025**

Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index ¹	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2025	2024
Corn	10	48	38	3	1	69	84
Rice	4	54	42	0	0	76	87
Wheat	5	27	38	18	12	57	70
Oats	3	10	33	25	29	41	62
Range and Pasture	7	29	39	18	7	50	52

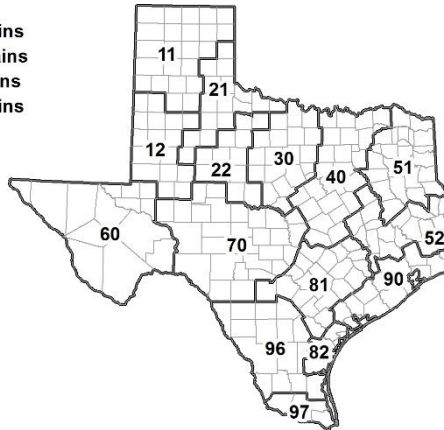
¹ The formula for the condition index is $I = (110E + 90G + 60F + 25P + 5V)/100$ where I = crop condition index and E, G, F, P, V = percentage of crop rated excellent, good, fair, poor, very poor.

**Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District
For Week Ending May 4, 2025**

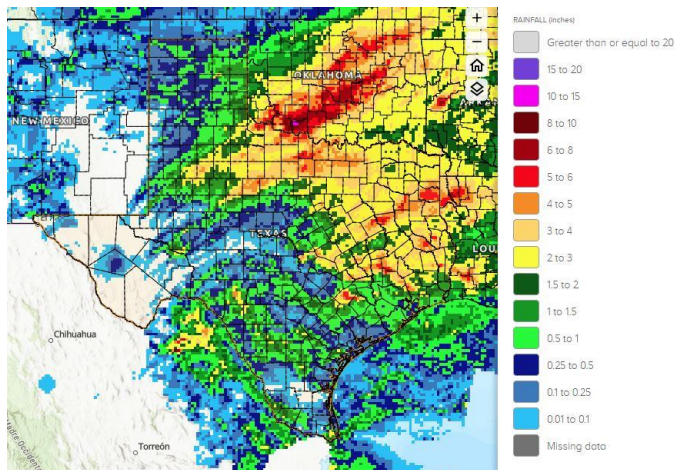
District	Subsoil Moisture Condition by District				Topsoil Moisture Condition by District				Days Suitable for Fieldwork
	Percentage of Acreage				Percentage of Acreage				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
11	0	39	53	8	4	23	51	22	5.4
12	53	36	11	0	49	35	14	2	6.4
21	18	23	55	4	2	19	50	29	3.0
22	4	31	52	13	1	10	70	19	4.6
30	5	21	41	33	2	8	47	43	3.9
40	11	16	39	34	2	11	36	51	2.6
51	0	8	70	22	0	9	67	24	5.3
52	1	20	66	13	1	19	58	22	4.7
60	10	20	50	20	5	20	50	25	4.2
70	46	37	17	0	18	59	23	0	6.7
81	24	38	35	3	7	50	39	4	5.9
82	0	17	79	4	15	14	67	4	5.4
90	1	13	67	19	4	30	48	18	4.4
96	18	44	37	1	23	37	39	1	6.2
97	0	10	87	3	13	31	51	5	5.4
State	16	28	44	12	13	24	43	20	4.9

Texas Agricultural Districts

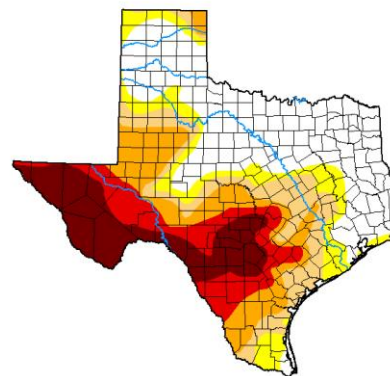
- 11 Northern High Plains
- 12 Southern High Plains
- 21 Northern Low Plains
- 22 Southern Low Plains
- 30 Cross Timbers
- 40 Blacklands
- 51 North East
- 52 South East
- 60 Trans-Pecos
- 70 Edwards Plateau
- 81 South Central
- 82 Coastal Bend
- 90 Upper Coast
- 96 South
- 97 Lower Valley



Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, May 4, 2025



Drought Monitor, Map Released: May 1, 2025



	Drought Conditions (Percent Area)					
	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	36.16	63.84	52.72	40.11	28.05	15.95
Last Week (04-25-2025)	18.88	81.12	58.05	47.24	29.99	16.83
3 Months Ago (01-28-2025)	46.95	53.05	42.35	24.11	15.74	6.30
Start of Calendar Year (01-01-2025)	36.81	63.19	43.63	21.45	13.26	6.30
Start of Water Year (10-01-2024)	26.09	73.91	34.39	16.62	8.91	3.36
One Year Ago (04-05-2024)	52.78	47.22	27.41	13.40	2.05	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>

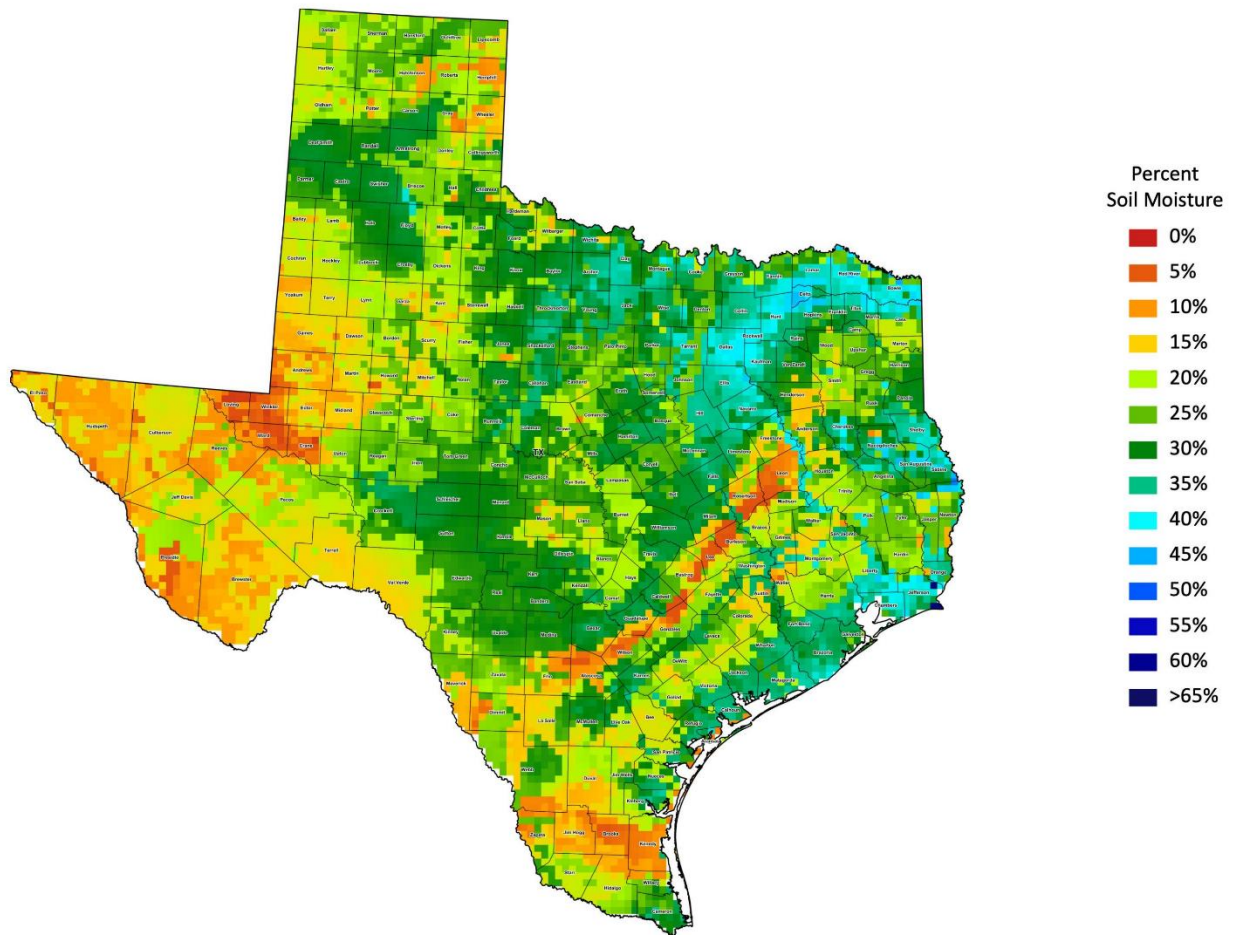
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Texas Root Zone Soil Moisture: Week Ending April 27, 2025



The Soil Moisture Active Passive (SMAP) provides measurements of soil moisture in the root zone as a weekly average, represented by pixels. Each pixel represents 9 by 9 kilometer plot or about 20,000 acres. The SMAP data measures soil moisture in cubic centimeters of water/cubic centimeters of soil. The scale represents the percent of water in a given volume of soil. More information and additional mapping is available on CropCASA at <https://cloud.csiss.gmu.edu/Crop-CASMA/>.