



Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Weekly Summary for May 5 - May 11

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Most of the state continued to receive varied amounts of rainfall. Rainfall ranged from trace amounts up to 12 inches, with North East Texas and South Central Texas districts receiving the most rain. Drought conditions ranged from none to exceptional drought with areas in the Trans-Pecos and the Edwards Plateau districts being the driest. There was an average of 4.0 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grains: In most areas, winter wheat continued to head out. Winter wheat headed reached 89 percent, up 3 points from the previous year and up 6 points from normal. Oats headed reached 92 percent, down 2 points from the previous year, and down 3 points from normal.

Row Crops: Corn planted reached 84 percent, up 5 points from the previous year and up 3 points from normal. Corn emerged reached 79 percent, up 10 points from the previous year and up 11 points from normal. Corn silked reached 15 percent, down one point from the previous year but up 5 points from normal. Sorghum planted reached 74 percent, no change from the previous year but up one point from normal. Sorghum headed reached 14 percent, up 14 points from the previous year and up one point from normal. Cotton planted reached 27 percent, no change from the previous year, but down 2 points from normal. Rice planted reached 95 percent, up one point from the previous year and up 3 points from normal. Rice emerged reached 90 percent, up 7 points from the previous year, and up 8 points from normal. Soybeans planted reached 40 percent, up 6 points from the previous year but down 9 points from normal. Soybeans emerged reached 25 percent, up 9 points from the previous year and up 5 points from normal.

Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops: In South Texas, onions and cabbage continued to be harvested. In South Central Texas, pecan producers were applying insecticide for casebearer eggs.

Range and Pasture: Pastures and ranges improved due to recent rains received in most parts of the state. Pasture and range conditions were rated at 62 percent, fair to good.

**Crop Progress by Percent
For Week Ending May 11, 2025**

Stage	Percentage of Acreage			
	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
Corn				
Planted	84	78	79	81
Emerged	79	70	69	68
Silked	15	5	16	10
Cotton				
Planted	27	25	27	29
Rice				
Planted	95	93	94	92
Emerged	90	85	83	82
Sorghum				
Planted	74	70	74	73
Headed	14	(NA)	-	13
Soybeans				
Planted	40	30	34	49
Emerged	25	15	16	20
Winter Wheat				
Headed	89	78	86	83
Oats				
Headed	92	87	94	95

(NA) Not available.

- Represents Zero

**Crop Condition by Percent
For Week Ending May 11, 2025**

Crop	Percent of Acreage					Index ¹	
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2025	2024
Corn	15	45	35	4	1	79	84
Rice	8	49	43	0	0	79	82
Wheat	9	33	30	17	11	62	68
Oats	2	11	42	24	21	44	62
Range and Pasture	8	31	31	23	7	61	54

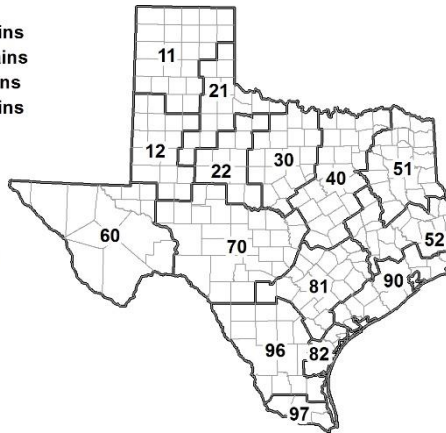
¹ The formula for the condition index is $I = (110E + 90G + 60F + 25P + 5V)/100$ where I = crop condition index and E, G, F, P, V = percentage of crop rated excellent, good, fair, poor, very poor.

**Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District
For Week Ending May 11, 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	1	9	80	10	1	3	69	27	2.3
12	32	44	24	0	29	30	40	1	6.5
21	18	14	64	4	2	23	59	16	3.5
22	6	19	66	9	3	22	66	9	4.8
30	5	17	57	21	4	5	63	28	4.9
40	9	18	54	19	0	10	46	44	2.0
51	0	9	70	21	0	9	67	24	4.8
52	1	13	68	18	1	10	65	24	3.9
60	10	20	50	20	5	20	50	25	4.8
70	23	43	34	0	18	30	50	2	3.7
81	23	36	40	1	7	38	52	3	5.3
82	0	11	82	7	15	7	71	7	3.9
90	0	8	65	27	5	25	37	33	1.9
96	16	42	39	3	11	40	46	3	6.0
97	0	11	85	4	13	20	64	3	3.6
State	12	22	56	10	8	18	56	18	4.0

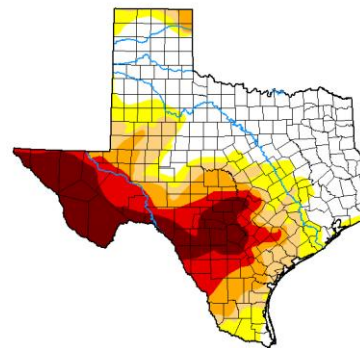
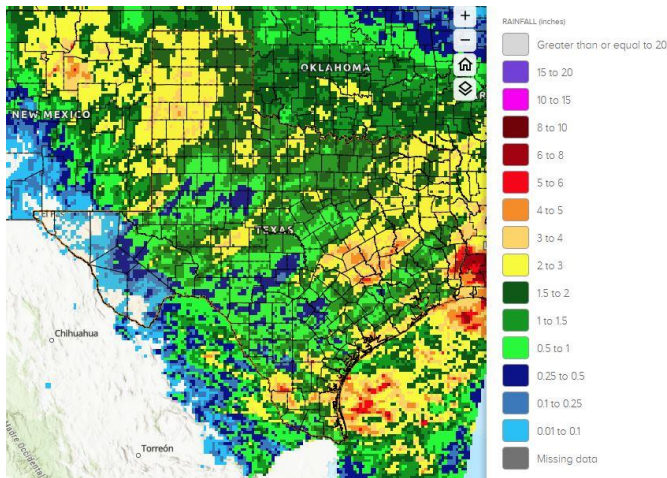
Texas Agricultural Districts

- 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 11, 2025

Drought Monitor, Map Released: May 8, 2025



	Drought Conditions (Percent Area)					
	None	D0-D1	D1-D2	D2-D3	D3-D4	D4
Current	48.47	59.53	48.31	35.42	25.70	15.06
Last Week (4/29-2025)	35.15	63.84	52.72	40.11	28.05	15.06
3 Months Ago (3/04-2025)	28.22	71.78	41.26	23.51	15.74	6.30
Start of Calendar Year (1/01-2025)	35.81	63.19	43.63	21.45	13.26	6.30
Start of Water Year (10/01-2024)	25.09	73.91	34.39	15.62	8.91	3.35
One Year Ago (05/01-2024)	53.52	46.48	26.41	13.21	2.05	0.00

Intensity
None (white) D0 Abnormally Dry (yellow) D1 Moderate Drought (orange) D2 Severe Drought (red) D3 Extreme Drought (dark red) D4 Exceptional Drought (black)

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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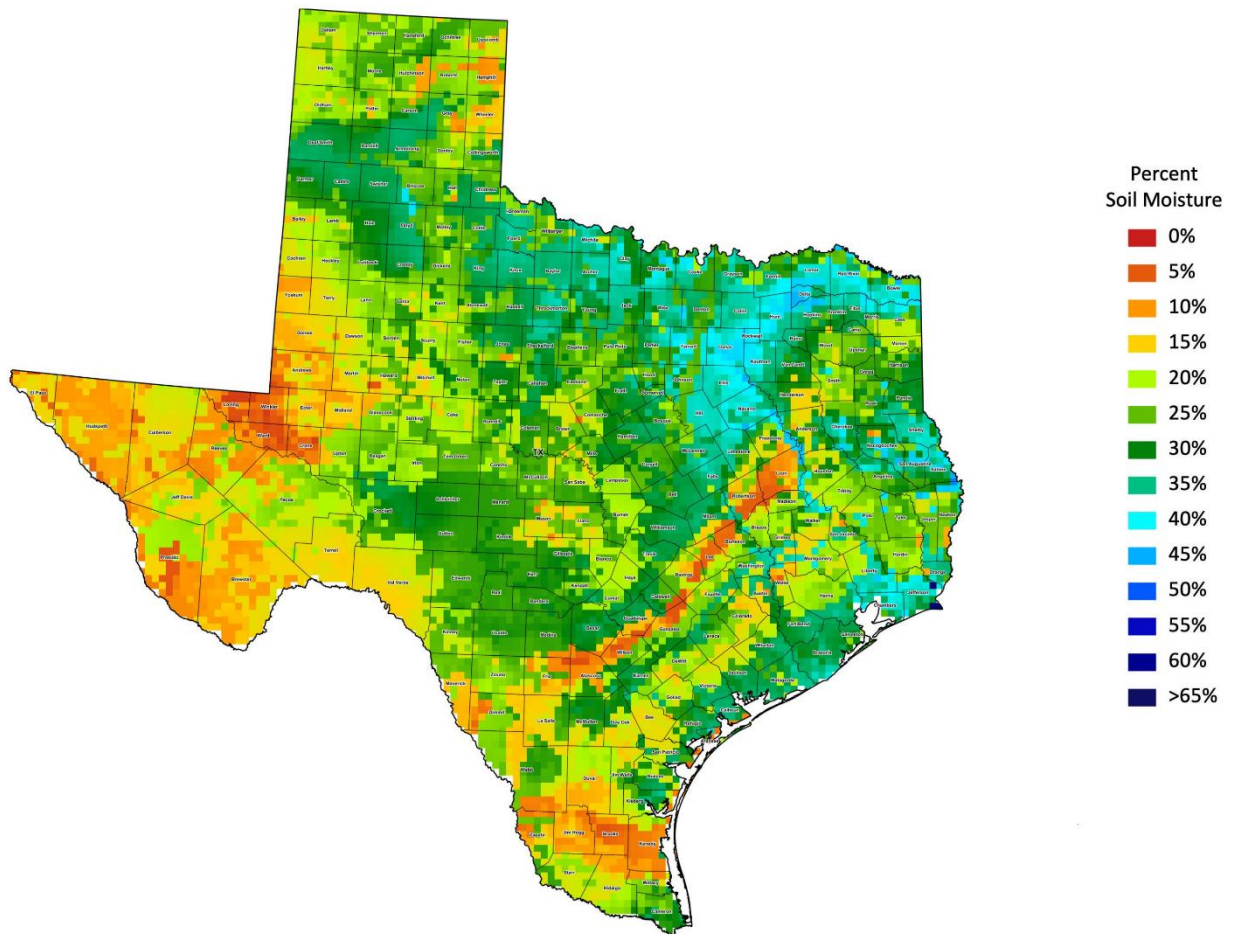
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Texas Root Zone Soil Moisture: Week Ending May 4, 2025



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 CropCASMA at <https://cloud.csiss.gmu.edu/Crop-CASMA/>.