



Texas Crop Progress and Condition

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Weekly Summary for July 22 - July 28

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Recent rainfall caused a delay of crop progress in some parts of the state, while other parts of the state received little to no rain. Rainfall ranged from trace amounts up to 10 inches, with the Upper Coast and South East Texas receiving the most rain. Drought conditions ranged from none to extreme drought with areas in the Trans-Pecos and Edwards Plateau being the driest. There was an average of 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork.

Row Crops: In the Edwards Plateau, South Central Texas, and South Texas corn and sorghum was being harvested. In the Blacklands, the Upper Coast, and South East Texas, both corn and sorghum harvest was delayed due to rain and wet field conditions. Corn dough reached 78 percent, up 12 points from the previous week, and up 9 points from normal. Corn dented reached 60 percent, up 10 points from the previous week, and up 5 points from normal. Corn mature reached 42 percent, up 4 points from the previous week. Corn harvested reached 27 percent, up 7 points from the previous week. Sorghum coloring reached 66 percent, up 3 points from the previous week, and unchanged from normal. Sorghum mature reached 52 percent, up 2 points from the previous week, and up 6 points from normal. Sorghum harvested reached 42 percent, up 2 points from the previous week. Cotton was progressing in most parts of the state. Cotton squaring reached 82 percent, up 4 points from normal, and up 2 points from normal. Cotton setting bolls reached 49 percent, up 10 points from the previous week, and up 11 points from normal. In the Upper Coast and South Central Texas, producers started harvesting rice and stopped later due to rain and wet field conditions. Rice headed reached 96 percent, up 2 points from the previous week, and up 10 points from normal. Rice harvested reached 6 percent, up 3 points from the previous week, but down 1 point from normal. Peanuts pegging reached 52 percent, up 15 points from the previous week, and up 4 points from normal. Soybeans blooming reached 78 percent, up 12 points from the previous week, and unchanged from normal. Soybeans setting pods reached 50 percent, up 10 points from the previous week, and unchanged from normal. Sunflowers harvested reached 32 percent, up 10 points from the previous week, and up 3 points from normal.

Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops: In the Northern High Plains, cucumbers were fully cultivated and irrigated. In the Blacklands, okra and figs were progressing. Melon growers were still harvesting in the Southern High Plains. In South Texas, watermelons were being harvested.

Range and Pasture: In the Cross Timbers, the Blacklands, and South Texas, producers were cutting and baling hay. In North East Texas and South East Texas, army worms were on the rise causing issues in hay fields. In the Northern Low Plains, the Southern Low Plains, and the Cross Timbers, the insect population increased due to pastures drying out. Pasture and range conditions were rated at 53%, fair to good.

**Crop Progress by Percent
For Week Ending July 28, 2024**

| Stage | Percent of Acreage | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| | Current Week | Previous Week | Previous Year | 5 Year Average |
| Corn | | | | |
| Silking | 88 | 84 | 88 | 90 |
| Dough | 78 | 66 | 72 | 69 |
| Dented | 60 | 50 | 60 | 55 |
| Mature | 42 | 38 | 24 | 19 |
| Harvested | 27 | 20 | 7 | 3 |
| Upland Cotton | | | | |
| Squaring | 82 | 78 | 77 | 80 |
| Setting Bolls | 49 | 39 | 34 | 38 |
| Peanuts | | | | |
| Pegging | 52 | 37 | 56 | 48 |
| Rice | | | | |
| Headed | 96 | 94 | 86 | 86 |
| Harvested | 6 | 3 | 6 | 7 |
| Sorghum | | | | |
| Headed | 83 | 79 | 84 | 83 |
| Coloring | 66 | 63 | 66 | 66 |
| Mature | 52 | 50 | 43 | 46 |
| Harvested | 42 | 40 | - | 15 |
| Soybeans | | | | |
| Blooming | 78 | 66 | 78 | 78 |
| Setting Pods | 50 | 40 | 50 | 50 |
| Sunflowers | | | | |
| Harvested | 32 | 22 | 34 | 29 |

- Represents zero.

**Crop Condition by Percent
For Week Ending July 28, 2024**

| Crop | Percent of Acreage | | | | | Index ¹ | |
|-------------------|--------------------|------|------|------|-----------|--------------------|------|
| | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Very Poor | 2024 | 2023 |
| Corn | 12 | 31 | 31 | 16 | 10 | 64 | 76 |
| Upland Cotton | 8 | 32 | 29 | 17 | 14 | 60 | 44 |
| Peanuts | 7 | 48 | 44 | 1 | 0 | 78 | 70 |
| Rice | 9 | 48 | 36 | 5 | 2 | 76 | 84 |
| Sorghum | 17 | 40 | 28 | 10 | 5 | 74 | 66 |
| Soybeans | 8 | 18 | 61 | 11 | 2 | 64 | 75 |
| Range and Pasture | 8 | 22 | 31 | 21 | 18 | 53 | 39 |

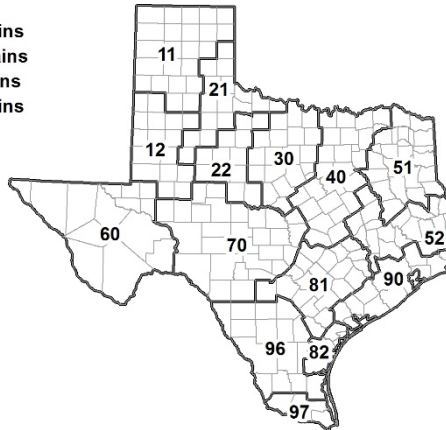
¹ The formula for the condition index is $I = (110E + 90G + 60F + 25P + 5V)/100$ where I = crop condition index and E, G, F, P, V = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

**Soil Moisture and Days Suitable by District
For Week Ending July 28, 2024**

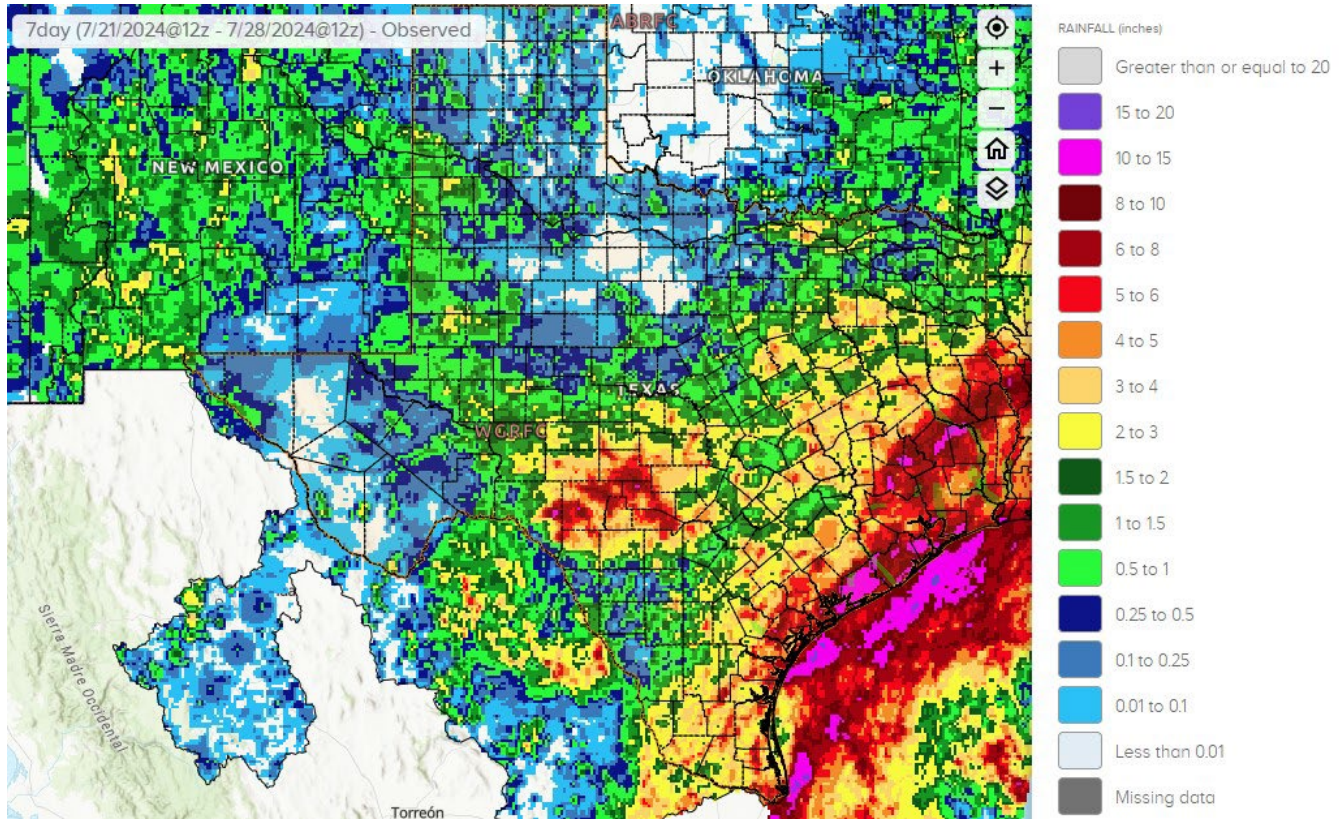
| District | Subsoil Moisture Condition by District | | | | Topsoil Moisture Condition by District | | | | Days Suitable for Fieldwork |
|----------|--|-------|----------|---------|--|-------|----------|---------|-----------------------------|
| | Percentage of Acreage | | | | Percentage of Acreage | | | | |
| | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus | |
| 11 | 25 | 48 | 27 | 0 | 23 | 53 | 24 | 0 | 6.0 |
| 12 | 35 | 25 | 34 | 6 | 18 | 32 | 43 | 7 | 5.7 |
| 21 | 45 | 42 | 13 | 0 | 47 | 40 | 13 | 0 | 6.8 |
| 22 | 18 | 60 | 22 | 0 | 20 | 64 | 16 | 0 | 6.6 |
| 30 | 29 | 35 | 36 | 0 | 34 | 32 | 34 | 0 | 5.8 |
| 40 | 11 | 34 | 50 | 5 | 12 | 35 | 47 | 6 | 4.7 |
| 51 | 0 | 9 | 75 | 16 | 0 | 11 | 66 | 23 | 5.0 |
| 52 | 1 | 6 | 41 | 52 | 2 | 3 | 33 | 62 | 1.8 |
| 60 | 17 | 39 | 44 | 0 | 22 | 34 | 44 | 0 | 3.8 |
| 70 | 24 | 34 | 37 | 5 | 45 | 9 | 38 | 8 | 5.4 |
| 81 | 0 | 18 | 74 | 8 | 0 | 7 | 80 | 13 | 5.5 |
| 82 | 0 | 3 | 23 | 74 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 68 | 2.1 |
| 90 | 0 | 2 | 15 | 83 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 85 | 0.8 |
| 96 | 5 | 22 | 67 | 6 | 6 | 19 | 67 | 8 | 4.3 |
| 97 | 1 | 6 | 93 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 88 | 0 | 1.0 |
| State | 20 | 32 | 38 | 10 | 18 | 33 | 38 | 11 | 5.1 |

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

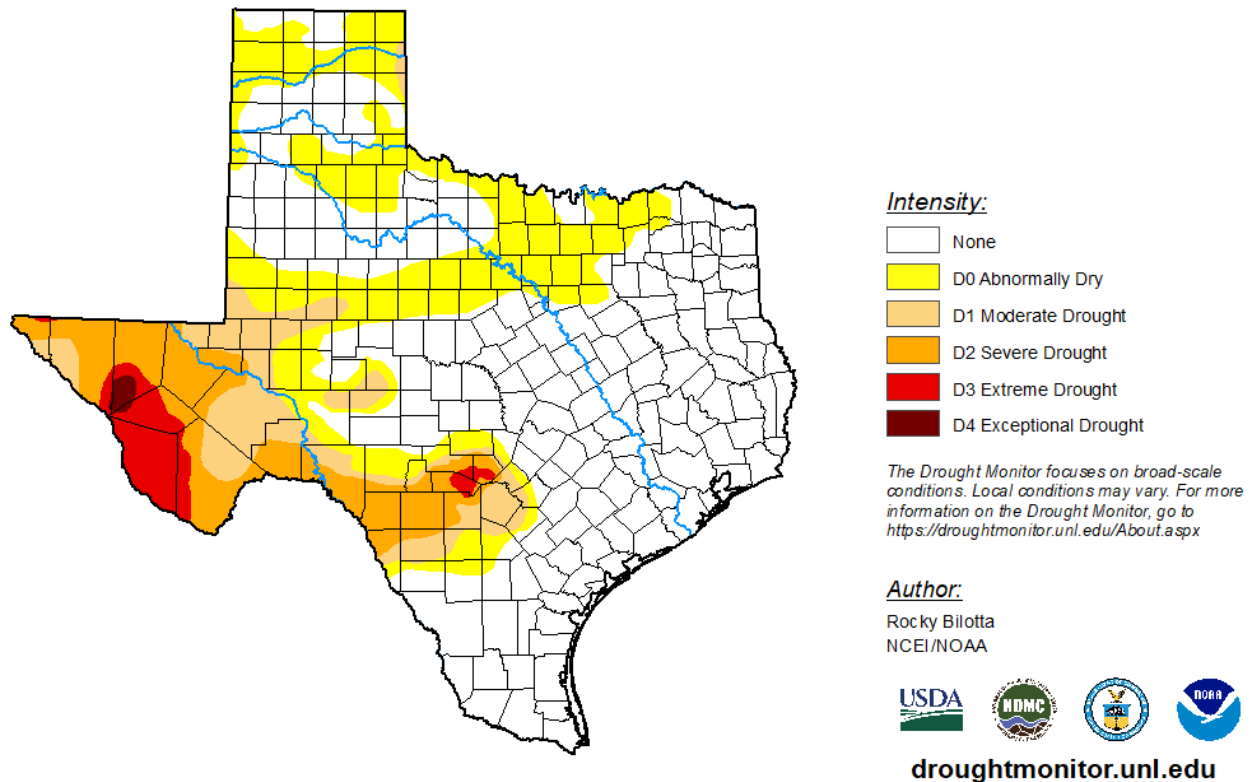


Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, July 28, 2024



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

Drought Monitor, Map Released: July 25, 2024



Source: National Drought Mitigation Center, a partnership with USDA, U.S. Department of Commerce/NOAA, <http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>