NORTH DAKOTA CROP, LIVESTOCK & WEATHER REPORT

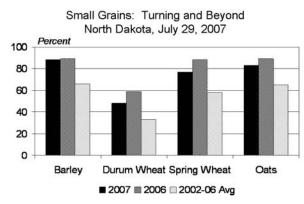
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General: Mostly dry conditions and above normal temperatures prevailed across the state except for areas in the northeast and southeastern counties which received heavy amounts of precipitation last week, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. The hot, dry conditions were beneficial for small grain harvest, but continued to stress crop development. Heavy rains received in the northeast were a problem for small grains in the swath. Some leaf diseases and head scab were found in wheat in areas that received excess moisture. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 57 percent adequate to surplus. This compares with last year and the five-year (2002-2006) average of 10 and 51 percent adequate to surplus, respectively. Subsoil moisture supplies were rated 68 percent adequate to surplus, down from 75 percent adequate to surplus the previous week. Statewide, on average, there were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork.

<u>Crops</u>: The small grain harvest was just beginning last week, with most crops behind last year's early pace, but ahead of the average. As of July 29, spring wheat was 6 percent harvested, compared with 19 percent last year and 5 percent on average while 77 percent of the crop was turning and beyond. Durum wheat was 5 percent harvested compared with 5 percent last year and 2 percent on average while 48 percent was turning and beyond. The barley and oat harvest was also underway by week's end with 16 percent harvested for barley and 10 percent for oats. Small grain crop conditions were rated mostly good, but continue to show a slight decrease from the previous week.

Development of all other crops also made good progress as the warm temperatures promoted crop growth. Corn was 86 percent in the silking and beyond stage compared with 87 percent last year and 68 percent on average. Soybeans had 8 percent of their acreage in the fully podded and beyond stage compared with 24 percent last year and the average of 10 percent. Dry edible beans were 3 percent fully podded, behind last year's 12 percent and the average of 4 percent. Dry edible peas were 27 percent harvested, behind last year's 35 percent harvested. The sunflower crop was 30 percent blooming and beyond, behind last year's 58 percent but ahead of the average of 25 percent. Overall, all other crop conditions deteriorated slightly, but remain mostly good to excellent.

Livestock: Haying progress was aided by hot, dry conditions during the week. The second cutting of alfalfa was 52 percent complete while other hay baling was 86 percent complete, both behind last year. Hay condition was rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 23 fair, 59 good and 14 excellent, down slightly from the previous week. Pasture and range conditions were rated 1 percent very poor, 8 poor, 29 fair, 55 good and 7 excellent, compared with the average of 17 percent very poor, 20 poor, 28 fair, 31 good and 5 excellent. Stockwater supplies were at 82 percent adequate to surplus, well above last year's 37 percent.





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Crop and Pasture Condition

North Dakota, Week Ending July 29, 2007								
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent			
Barley	0	1	16	65	18			
Durum Wheat	1	3	23	59	14			
Spring Wheat	1	3	14	66	16			
Oats	0	1	15	76	8			
Canola	0	3	17	64	16			
Corn	2	3	17	64	14			
Dry Edible Beans	3	4	22	54	17			
Dry Edible Peas	0	1	16	71	12			
Flaxseed	0	2	17	73	8			
Potatoes	6	2	14	48	30			
Soybeans	2	3	17	63	15			
Sugarbeets	2	5	18	54	21			
Sunflower	0	2	16	66	16			
Hay	1	3	23	59	14			
Pasture and Range	1	8	29	55	7			

Crop Development Progress

North Dakota, Week Ending July 29, 2007 ^{1/2/}							
	١	2002-					
Crop	July 29,	July 22,	July 29,	2006			
	2007	2007	2006	Avg			
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent			
BARLEY							
Milk	98	91	97	90			
Turning	88	68	89	66			
Harvested	16	2	24	8			
DURUM WHEAT							
Boot	99	91	100	97			
Headed	92	83	99	91			
Milk	71	50	88	67			
Turning	48	14	59	33			
Harvested	5	0	5	2			
SPRING WHEAT Milk	05	00	00	96			
	95 77	83 46	99 88	86 58			
Turning Harvested	6	40	00 19	5			
OATS	0	0	19	5			
Milk	97	90	97	89			
Turning	83	90 58	89 89	65			
Harvested	10	2	35	11			
CANOLA	10	2	55				
Turning	62	37	69	48			
Swathed	13	1	14	9			
Harvested	2	NÁ	2	Ő			
CORN	-		-	Ū			
Silking	86	55	87	68			
Dough	15	1	9	5			
DRY EDIBLE BEANS							
Blooming	87	78	99	82			
Setting Pods	64	33	84	43			
Fully Podded	3	1	12	4			
DRY EDIBLE PEAS							
Mature	88	52	86	NA			
Harvested	27	2	35	NA			
FLAXSEED							
Blooming	96	91	100	97			
Turning	35	15	58	30			
Harvested	0	NA	2	0			
POTATOES		07	400				
Blooming	98	97	100	93			
Rows Filled	79	51	94	77			
Vines Killed	0	NA	5	1			
SOYBEANS	93	82	99	90			
Blooming Setting Pods	93 65	82 38	99 90	90 56			
Fully Podded	8	30	90 24	10			
SUNFLOWERS	°	3	24	10			
Blooming	30	13	58	25			
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Crop development percents represent all acreage in or beyond each stage.
Progress is based on current intended acreage. NA = Not Available

Crops Harvested: Percent Completed, by District

Dako	ota, W	/eek	Endir	ng Ju	ly 29,	, 2007	7	
NW	NC	NE	WC	С	EC	SW	SC	SE
	Percent							
11	10	4	23	31	45	34	19	18
3	6	1	9	7	2	12	4	44
21	7	5	66	21	76	27	25	9
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North Dakota, Week Ending July 29, 2007								
		2002-						
Date	July 29,	July 22,	July 29,	2006				
	2007	2007	2006	Avg				
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent				
Topsoil								
Very Short	10	4	54	20				
Short	33	35	36	29				
Adequate	53	59	10	47				
Surplus	4	2	0	4				
Subsoil								
Very Short	4	2	39	17				
Short	28	23	44	26				
Adequate	64	70	17	52				
Surplus	4	5	0	5				

Weather: This week was another above average week in the temperature department. Monday highs soared into the lower 100s on the western part of the state and were in the 90s for the eastern part of the state as a strong thunderstorm moved through the east central area of the state. Tuesday highs continued to stay in the 90s to 100s as some scattered precipitation fell mainly in the southeast part of the state as a cold front moved through the eastern part of the state. Thursday temperatures cooled down into the upper 80s to mid-90s as a cold front moved through the state. Thursday temperatures cooled even more into the 80s to lower 90s as some scattered precipitation fell in the eastern part of the state. Friday was dry as highs cooled into the 80s throughout the state. Saturday and Sunday continued to stay dry as highs went back up into the 90s and the western part of the state saw highs in the 100s on Sunday.

Outlook, July 30-August 5: This week will start off with higher than normal temperatures and cool off as the week goes on. Monday will be dry as highs are in the 90s to 100s with the western side of the state seeing the higher temperatures. On Tuesday, there is a chance of precipitation in the form of scattered storms throughout the state as highs continue to stay in the 90s to 100s. Wednesday temperatures will cool down in the 80s as the threat of scattered precipitation continues throughout the state. Thursday will be dry and calm as highs continue to stay in the 80s. Friday brings a threat of precipitation especially in the eastern half of the state as temperatures climb into the 80s to lower 90s. On Saturday and Sunday, there is a greater chance in the eastern half of the state as temperatures will fall back down into the 80s.

Temperature	& Precipitation: Districts and Stations
North Dakota,	Week ending July 29, 2007

District		rage erature	Seasonal Precipitation Beginning April 1 ^{1/}			
Averages	Past Week	Depart Normal ^{2/}	Past Week	Total	Depart Normal ^{2/}	
	(Degrees F)	(Degrees F)	(Inches)	(Inches)	(Inches)	
Northwest(1)	78	9	0.11	9.63	0.74	
N. Central(2)	75	7	0.06	11.40	1.85	
Northeast (3)	73	4	1.89	16.14	6.80	
W. Central(4)	80	9	0.01	8.12	-1.06	
Central (5)	76	5	1.10	12.67	3.28	
E. Central(6)	74	3	0.47	12.96	2.58	
Southwest(7)	80	10	0.00	9.77	0.76	
S. Central(8)	79	8	0.01	11.45	2.07	
Southeast(9)	75	3	0.60	15.03	4.60	

1/ Precipitation amounts may vary due to an inaccurate snowfall melt. 2/ Normal is the 1971-2000 average. NA=Not available. Weather data collected from NDAWN stations and compiled by UND Aerospace Regional Weather Information Center.



Adequate Surplus

Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations North Dakota, Week ending July 29, 2007

Very Short

Short

North Dakota, Week ending July 29, 2007 Temperature Seasonal Precipitation								
Stations	Past		Seasonal Precipitation Beginning April 1 ^{1/}					
by District	High	Low	Past Week	Total	Depart Normal ^{2/}			
	(Degrees F)	(Degrees F)	(Inches)	(Inches)	(Inches)			
(1) Bowbells	102	52	0.00	9.82	0.56			
Williston	107	57	0.33	8.67	1.16			
Mohall	101	50	0.03	9.36	0.21			
Minot	103	54	0.09	10.68	1.03			
(2) Baker	97	56	0.09	12.86	3.47			
Bottineau	96	49	0.02	10.60	1.01			
Rugby	101	53	0.08	10.74	1.07			
(3) Cando	94	55	0.82	15.06	6.17			
Cavalier	94	53	2.90	18.40	8.77			
Forest River	95	55	1.88	15.16	5.75			
Grand Forks	91	54	0.23	11.27	2.26			
Langdon	91	56	2.03	14.49	4.78			
St. Thomas	91	57	3.48	22.49	13.08			
(4) Hazen	109	49	0.00	7.86	-1.67			
Turtle Lake	103	55	0.00	9.66	0.10			
Watford City	107	57	0.04	6.85	-1.60			
(5) Carrington	96	55	2.44	11.59	0.88			
Harvey	100	53	0.27	11.33	3.60			
Jamestown	96	57	1.41	15.36	5.62			
Robinson	100	55	0.45	10.93	1.39			
Streeter	97	55	0.93	14.13	4.90			
(6) Dazey	93	54	1.05	13.64	3.26			
Fargo	95	57	0.08	12.98	2.69			
Hillsboro	93	54	0.28	12.27	1.79			
(7) Beach	103	55	0.00	9.54	1.05			
Bowman	106	55	0.00	10.79	1.88			
Dickinson	107	58	0.00	6.91	-2.53			
Hettinger	104	57	0.00	11.84	2.65			
(8) Mandan	103	56	0.01	12.97	3.33			
Linton	101	59	0.00	9.93	0.81			
(9) Edgeley	94	53	0.68	11.31	1.40			
Oakes	94	58	1.02	17.28	7.15			
Wyndmere	94	60	0.10	16.50	5.26			

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