



News Release

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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND September 3, 2013 – For the week ending September 1, 2013, varying amounts of precipitation were received over much of the state last week, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The moisture was needed and welcomed, however, more is necessary for the row crops to enhance their development. Along with the rain came some isolated hail that was received in the south central part of the state. Temperatures were hot last week with averages 6 to 8 degrees above normal. Statewide, there were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies improved slightly with 16 percent rated very short, 35 short, 46 adequate, and 3 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 11 percent very short, 35 short, 51 adequate, and 3 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Spring wheat ripe was 89 percent. Harvested was 53 percent, well behind last year's 99 and 68 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 4 poor, 20 fair, 59 good, and 17 excellent.

Durum wheat turning color was 95 percent, behind 100 last year but near 94 average. Ripe was 55 percent. Harvested was 18 percent, well behind last year's 90 and 48 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 21 fair, 55 good, and 22 excellent.

Oats at the ripe stage were 95 percent. Harvested was 65 percent, well behind last year's 99 and 76 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 2 poor, 15 fair, 64 good, and 17 excellent.

Barley ripe was 95 percent. Harvested was 60 percent, well behind last year's 100 and 81 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 21 fair, 61 good, and 13 excellent.

Canola turning color was 92 percent, behind 100 last year and 98 average. Harvested was 39 percent, well behind last year's 88 and 47 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 17 fair, 63 good, and 17 excellent.

Flaxseed turning color was 88 percent, behind 100 last year and 92 average. Harvested were 13 percent, well behind last year's 57 and 26 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 26 fair, 59 good, and 9 excellent.

Lentils harvested were 40 percent, well behind 98 last year and 76 average.

Sugarbeet condition rated 1 percent very poor, 10 poor, 28 fair, 47 good, and 14 excellent.

Corn reaching the dough stage was 71 percent, well behind 97 last year but near 75 average. Dented was 16 percent, also well behind 77 last year and 37 average. Condition rated 5 percent very poor, 16 poor, 38 fair, 35 good, and 6 excellent.

Soybean setting pods was 98 percent, behind 100 last year and average. Dropping leaves were 16 percent, behind 38 last year, but ahead of 11 average. Condition rated 6 percent very poor, 17 poor, 38 fair, 36 good, and 3 excellent.

Potatoes at the rows filled stage were 95 percent, behind 100 last year and average. Vines killed were 4 percent, well behind 44 last year and 32 average. Condition rated 9 percent very poor, 17 poor, 37 fair, 29 good, and 8 excellent.

Dry edible peas harvested were 86 percent, behind last year's 100 but near 88 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 6 poor, 17 fair, 61 good, and 16 excellent.

Dry edible bean setting pods was 98 percent, behind 100 last year and average. Dropping leaves were 31 percent, well behind 80 last year and 41 average. Condition rated 3 percent very poor, 12 poor, 48 fair, 32 good, and 5 excellent.

Sunflower blooming was 98 percent, near 100 last year and 99 average. Ray flowers dry were 27 percent, well behind 84 last year and 54 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 22 fair, 61 good, and 12 excellent.

Second cutting of alfalfa hay was 97 percent complete. Alfalfa hay condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 19 fair, 57 good, and 19 excellent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 11 poor, 28 fair, 45 good, and 13 excellent. Stock water supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 10 short, 83 adequate, and 5 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and NDSU Extension Service.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:

<http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2013/CropProg-09-03-2013.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=ND®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DM_state.htm?ND,HP