



# News Release

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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND, September 8, 2015 – For the week ending September 6, 2015, temperatures ranged from three to six degrees above normal in the west, and six to twelve degrees above normal in the east, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Up to two inches of rain was received last week in the northern half of the State. There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 30 short, 63 adequate, and 3 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 29 short, 65 adequate, and 3 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat planted was 2 percent.

Durum wheat harvested was 79 percent, well ahead of 19 last year and the five-year average of 49.

Spring wheat harvested was 93 percent, well ahead of 39 last year and 71 average.

Barley harvested was 96 percent, well ahead of 59 last year, and ahead of 82 average.

Oats harvested was 96 percent, well ahead of 52 last year, and ahead of 79 average.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 8 poor, 22 fair, 57 good, and 12 excellent. Corn dough was 96 percent, ahead of 86 last year, but near 92 average. Dented was 69 percent, well ahead of 34 last year, and ahead of 57 average. Mature was 6 percent, ahead of 0 last year, but behind 12 average.

Soybean condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 26 fair, 54 good, and 10 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 44 percent, well ahead of 17 last year, and ahead of 26 average.

Canola harvested was 66 percent, well ahead of 37 last year, and ahead of 59 average.

Sunflower condition rated 0 percent very poor, 8 poor, 21 fair, 63 good, and 8 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dried was 82 percent, well ahead of 56 last year and 62 average. Bracts turning yellow was 32 percent, well ahead of 3 last year, and ahead of 24 average. Bracts turning brown was 5 percent.

Flaxseed condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 17 fair, 73 good, and 9 excellent. Flaxseed harvested was 62 percent, well ahead of 14 last year and 31 average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 3 percent very poor, 12 poor, 28 fair, 50 good, and 7 excellent. Dry edible beans dropping leaves was 84 percent, ahead of 71 last year and 66 average. Harvested was 29 percent, well ahead of 7 last year, and ahead of 13 average.

Lentils harvested was 88 percent.

Potato condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 28 fair, 53 good, and 9 excellent. Potatoes vines dry was 42 percent, well ahead of 22 last year, and ahead of 36 average. Harvested was 5 percent.

Sugarbeet condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 18 fair, 55 good, and 25 excellent. Sugarbeets harvested was 8 percent, ahead of 2 last year, but near 5 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 9 poor, 37 fair, 47 good, and 6 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 17 short, 78 adequate, and 4 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://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2015/CropProg-09-08-2015.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:  
<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:  
<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?ND>

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