

For the Period August 12 to 18, 2014

Just over one per cent of the 2014 provincial crop has been combined, while four per cent is swathed or ready to straight-cut, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's weekly Crop Report. The five-year average (2009-2013) for this time of year is two per cent combined and five per cent swathed or ready to straight-cut. Harvest operations are the furthest ahead in the southwestern region where four per cent of the crop has been combined. At this time, average crop yields are being reported in most areas.

Provincially, 19 per cent of the fall rye, nine per cent of the field peas, eight per cent of the winter wheat and three per cent of the lentils are combined. Seven per cent of the canola and four per cent of the mustard are swathed. Recent warm weather has encouraged crop development; however, frequent rain showers and heavy morning dew are delaying crop maturation and harvest operations for many producers.

Rainfall this past week ranged from trace amounts to several inches in some southeastern and west-central areas. Across the province, topsoil moisture on cropland is rated as seven per cent surplus, 82 per cent adequate, 10 per cent short and one per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as four per cent surplus, 79 per cent adequate, 16 per cent short and one per cent very short.

Heavy rain, strong winds and hail caused the majority of crop damage this week. Grasshoppers, wheat midge, fusarium head blight and sclerotinia are also causing some damage.

Farmers are busy desiccating, swathing, combining and finishing up haying operations.

One year ago
Less than one per cent of the 2013 crop had been combined while four per cent was swathed or ready to be straight combined.

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Harvest Progress in SK Per cent Combined	
All Crops	
Aug 21/14	1
5 year avg. (2009-2013)	2
Aug 19/13	< 1
Aug 13/12	4
Aug 15/11	3
Aug 16/10	1
Aug 17/09	3
10 year avg. (2004-2013)	3

Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Reminder

The deadline to select winterkill coverage for fall rye and winter wheat is August 25.

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Provincial Estimated Crop Yields - August 21, 2014								
	Winter wheat	Fall rye	HRSW	Other wheat*	Durum	Oat	Barley	Canaryseed
Southeast	43	35	40	49	41	58	58	1,250
Southwest	38	36	36	30	37	52	55	1,121
East Central	41	34	36	43	34	71	53	1,750
West Central	50	32	41	50	41	73	63	1,294
Northeast	N/A	N/A	39	51	43	84	63	1,207
Northwest	40	40	44	68	N/A	87	67	1,500
Provincial	41	35	39	49	38	76	60	1,278
	Flax	Canola	Mustard	Soybean	Pea	Lentil	Chickpea	
Southeast	24	32	1,091	14	30	1,138	1,250	
Southwest	24	28	987	15	34	1,509	1,121	
East Central	23	27	1,094	14	28	1,286	1,750	
West Central	28	34	1,267	17	36	1,245	1,294	
Northeast	22	28	900	18	29	953	1,207	
Northwest	25	36	N/A	N/A	40	900	1,500	
Provincial	24	30	1,093	4	4	1,278	1,278	

* 'Other wheat' includes all wheat classes other than Hard Red Spring Wheat

** Crop yield predictions at this point in time. Please keep in mind these are regional averages, and yields can vary greatly across an area.

*** Canaryseed, mustard, soybean, lentil and chickpea in lbs/ac. All other crops in bu/ac.

Southeastern Saskatchewan (Crop District 1 – Carnduff, Estevan, Redvers, Moosomin and Kipling areas; Crop District 2 – Weyburn, Milestone, Moose Jaw, Regina and Qu'Appelle areas; Crop District 3ASE – Radville and Lake Alma areas)

Harvest is underway for many producers in the southeast. Eight per cent of the 2014 crop is swathed or ready for straight-cutting, while less than one per cent has been combined. Seventeen per cent of the winter wheat, five per cent of the lentils, four per cent of the field peas and two per cent of the fall rye have been combined, while 19 per cent of the canola has been swathed. Crops are at least a week behind normal development for this time of year and will need warm and dry weather to advance. Although most crop reporters are estimating average yields at this time, some producers are reporting well-below-average yields and poor quality crops due to excess moisture and root rot.

The Stoughton area received the greatest amount of rainfall for the week (82 mm) while the Moosomin area continues to lead both the region and the province with 675 mm of rain since April 1. Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as 11 per cent surplus, 79 per cent adequate and 10 per cent short. Hay land and pasture moisture is rated as eight per cent surplus, 77 per cent adequate and 15 per cent short. CDs 1A and 2A are reporting that 20 per cent and 15 per cent, respectively, of cropland acres have surplus topsoil moisture at this time.

Localized flooding, strong winds and hail have caused many crops to lodge. Grasshoppers and wheat midge have also caused some damage, although the majority is localized. Sclerotinia, rust and fusarium head blight levels are higher than normal in some areas.

Farmers are busy finishing up haying, hauling bales and starting harvest operations.

Southwestern Saskatchewan (Crop District 3ASW – Coronach, Assiniboia and Ogema areas; Crop District 3AN – Gravelbourg, Mossbank, Mortlach and Central Butte areas; Crop District 3B – Kyle, Swift Current, Shaunavon and Ponteix areas; Crop District 4 – Consul, Maple Creek and Leader areas)

The southwestern region is the furthest advanced in the province with four per cent of the 2014 crop combined and an additional seven per cent swathed or ready for straight-cutting. Twenty-seven per cent of the fall rye, 22 per cent of the field peas, five per cent of the lentils and winter wheat and one per cent of the canola have been combined. Twenty per cent of the canola and five per cent of the mustard have been swathed. Many crops in the region are behind normal development and will need warm and dry weather to continue maturation. Although most crop reporters are estimating average yields at this time, some producers are reporting below-average yields for those crops that either had too much or not enough moisture this season.

Rainfall in the region varied from trace amounts to 37 mm in the Gravelbourg area, although there are reports of higher amounts in other areas. The Cadillac area has received the greatest amount of cumulative rainfall since April 1 (451 mm). Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as one per cent surplus, 87 per cent adequate and 12 per cent short. Hay land and pasture moisture is rated as one per cent surplus, 76 per cent adequate and 23 per cent short. CD 4A is reporting that 25 per cent of cropland and 33 per cent of hay land and pasture are short topsoil moisture at this time.

Strong winds, hail and heavy rain have lodged many crops in the area. Grasshoppers continue to cause issues in some areas, although damage is mainly localized. Sclerotinia, leaf spot diseases and fusarium head blight are also causing damage in many crops. Crop reporters have indicated that some crops that are normally straight-cut may be swathed to prevent shattering if the weather does not improve.

Farmers are busy combining, swathng, desiccating and hauling grain and bales.

East-Central Saskatchewan (Crop District 5 – Melville, Yorkton, Cupar, Kamsack, Foam Lake, Preeceville and Kelvington areas; Crop District 6A – Lumsden, Craik, Watrous and Clavet areas)

Harvest operations are slowly getting underway in the region. Warm weather has helped to advance crop development but many are still at least a week or two behind normal development. Thirty-nine per cent of the fall rye, four per cent of the winter wheat, two per cent of the field peas and one per cent of both the canola and mustard have been swathed. Crops in areas that received heavy rain and damaging hail are being swathed as greenfeed. Some fields that flooded earlier this season may not yield as well as hoped, although many crop reporters are estimating that yields will likely be average overall.

Rose Valley recorded the greatest amount of rainfall for the week (41 mm), while the Foam Lake area leads the region with the most cumulative rainfall since April 1 (586 mm). Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as eight per cent surplus, 86 per cent adequate, five per cent short and one per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as three per cent surplus, 89 per cent adequate, seven per cent short and one per cent very short.

As in most of the province, heavy rain and strong winds have lodged many crops in the region. Some producers are spraying for aphids in canary seed. Fusarium head blight, sclerotinia and rust are prevalent in many fields.

Farmers are busy finishing haying operations, hauling bales and starting harvest.

West-Central Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 6B – Hanley, Outlook, Loreburn, Saskatoon and Arelee areas; Crop District 7A – Rosetown, Kindersley, Eston, Major; CD 7B - Kerrobert, Macklin, Wilkie and Biggar areas)

Harvest is just starting in the region with producers beginning to desiccate pulses and swath canola. One per cent of the barley has been combined and five per cent of the canola has been swathed. Three per cent of the field peas and two per cent of the lentils are ready for straight-cutting. Overall, the majority of crops are behind normal development but they are quickly advancing thanks to recent warm weather. At this time, yields are estimated to be average, although there are some reports of high disease levels in pulses that will likely decrease yield and quality.

Rainfall ranged from trace amounts to 50 mm in the Kindersley area. Since April 1, the Major area has received the region's greatest amount of cumulative rainfall at 396 mm. Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as 11 per cent surplus, 75 per cent adequate, 13 per cent short and one per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as nine per cent surplus, 73 per cent adequate, 17 per cent short and one per cent very short. CD 6B is reporting that three per cent of cropland acres and

seven per cent of hay land and pasture acres are very short of topsoil moisture at this time.

The majority of damage this week was caused by localized flooding, strong winds and hail. In some areas, drought-like field conditions and grasshoppers have caused damage as well. Some producers are reporting high levels of sclerotinia in canola.

Farmers are busy starting harvest operations and hauling bales.

Northeastern Saskatchewan (Crop District 8 – Hudson Bay, Tisdale, Melfort, Carrot River, Humboldt, Kinistino, Cudworth and Aberdeen areas; Crop District 9AE – Prince Albert, Choiceland and Paddockwood areas)

Desiccation and swathing are underway for some producers in the northeast. Warm weather has helped advance crops but more will be needed for them to catch up to normal developmental stages for this time of year. Crop reporters are indicating that most producers will be in the field in the next week or so. At this time, yields are estimated to be average; however, areas that were flooded this season may not yield as well as hoped.

The Lake Lenore area has received the greatest amount of weekly (32 mm) and cumulative (405 mm) rainfall for the region. There were reports of sporadic heavy downpours in some areas that lodged crops. Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as one per cent surplus, 82 per cent adequate, 14 per cent short and three per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 77 per cent adequate, 18 per cent short and five per cent very short.

Many fields have higher-than-normal levels of fusarium head blight that will decrease yield and quality. There are also reports of wheat midge damage in some wheat fields.

Farmers are hauling bales and beginning harvest operations.

Northwestern Saskatchewan (Crop District 9AW – Shellbrook, North Battleford, Big River and Hafford areas; Crop District 9B – Meadow Lake, Turtleford, Pierceland, Maidstone and Lloydminster areas)

General harvest operations will soon be underway in the northwest. Desiccation of pulses and swathing of canola have just begun in some areas thanks to recent warm weather. Haying continues for many producers, although high humidity is preventing swath from drying properly. At this time, crop yields are estimated to be about average, but high disease levels in crops such as pulses may be of concern.

Rainfall in the region ranged from small amounts to 38 mm in the Neilburg area. Since April 1, the North Battleford area has received 483 mm of cumulative rainfall. Cropland topsoil moisture conditions are rated as 11 per cent surplus, 84 per cent adequate and

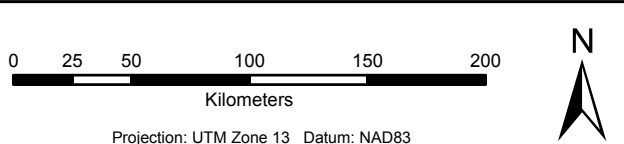
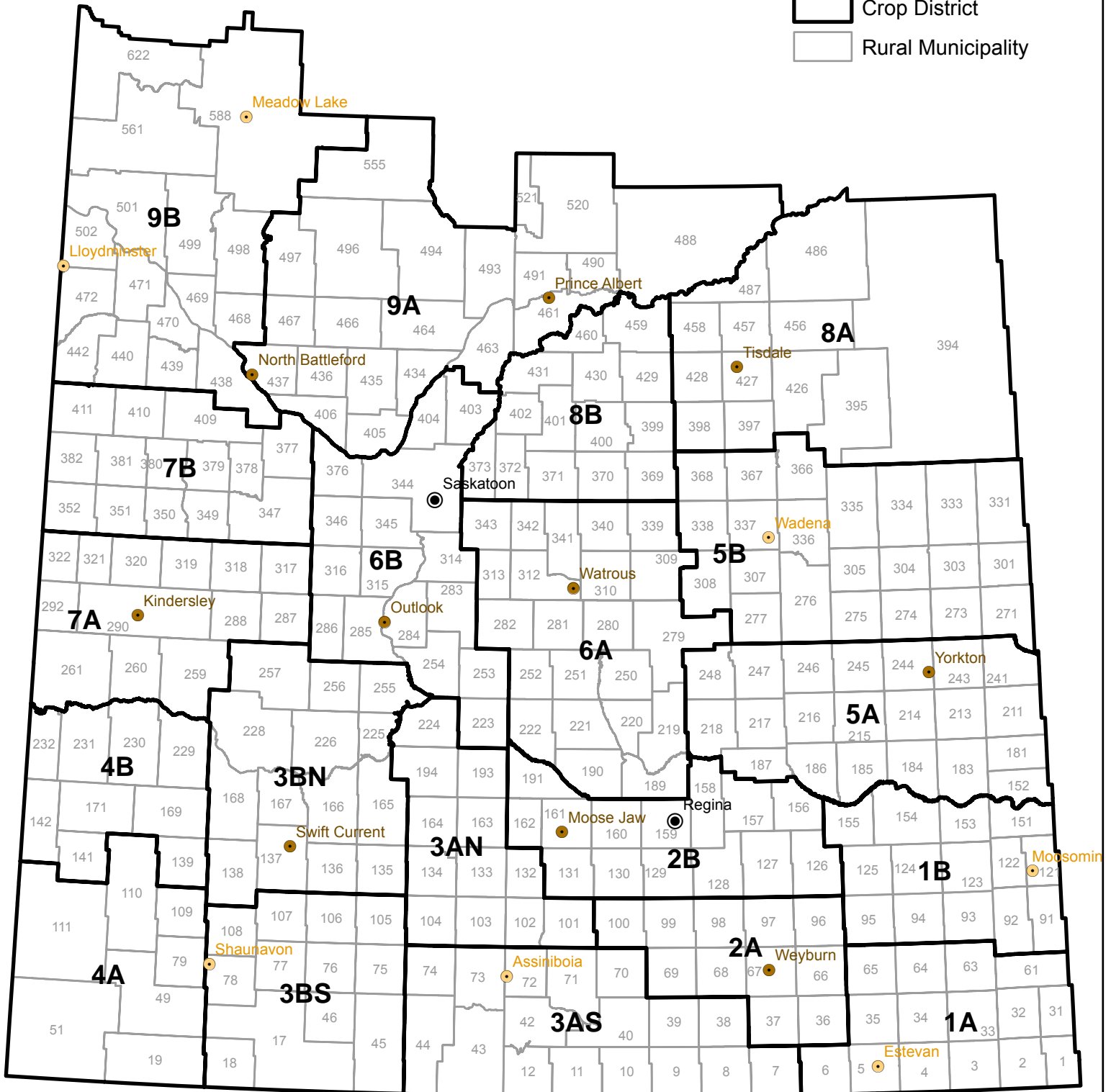
five per cent short, while hay land and pasture topsoil moisture conditions are rated as eight per cent surplus, 87 per cent adequate and five per cent short.

Very little crop damage was reported this week, although grasshoppers and lygus bugs are causing some issues. There are also reports of damage from sclerotinia and wheat midge.

Farmers are busy finishing haying, hauling bales and getting ready for harvest.

Crop Districts and Rural Municipalities in Saskatchewan

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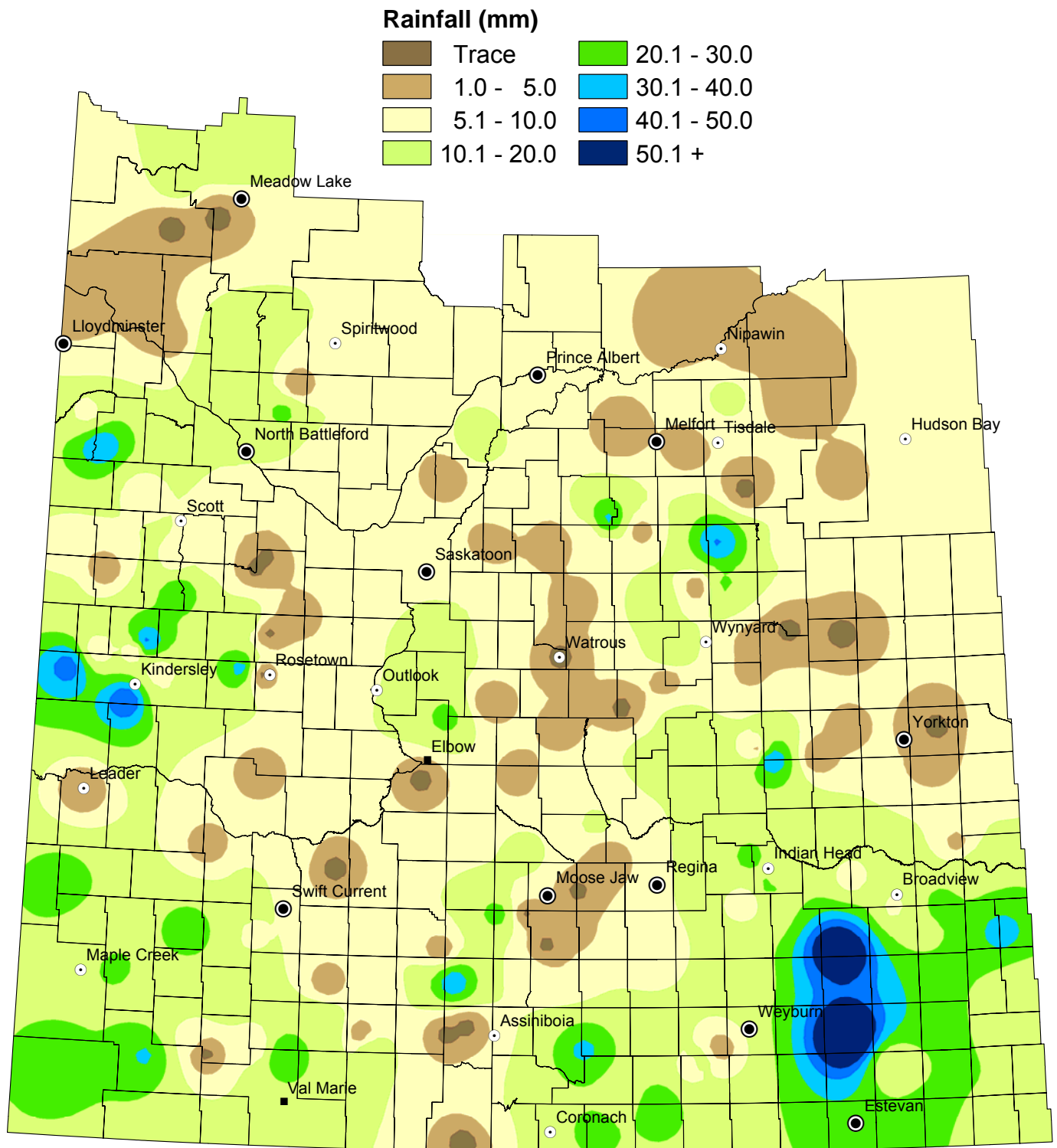


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Weekly Rainfall

for the week ending August 18, 2014



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Weekly Rainfall Summary

(in millimeters)

1 inch = 25 mm

for the period August 12 to 18, 2014

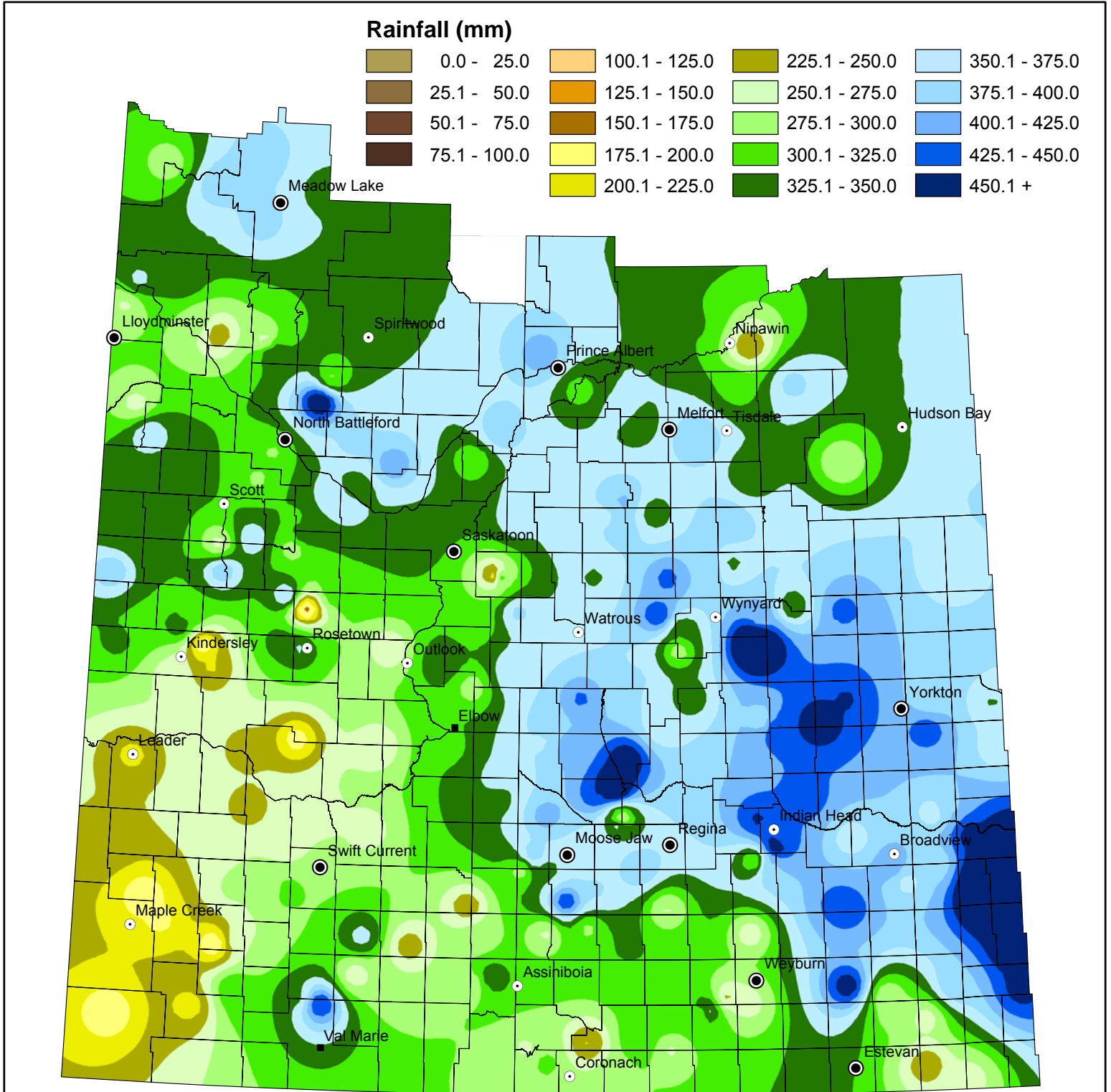
Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr	Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr	Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr	
1A	2	Mount Pleasant	17	265	4A	49	White Valley	31	215	7A	259	Snipe Lake	N/A	20	
	3	Enniskillen	23	233		51	Reno	23.9	187.7		287	St. Andrews	NIL	353	
	33	Moose Creek	N/A	265		79	Arlington	7	323		288	Pleasant Valley	33	336	
	34	Browning	12	293		109 A	Carmichael	N/A	260		290 A	Kindersley	10	223	
	61	Antler	N/A	459		109 B	Carmichael	16	179		290 B	Kindersley	5	181.4	
	63	Moose Mountain	N/A	397		110	Piapot	22	195		290 C	Kindersley	50	262.2	
	64	Brock	N/A	277		111	Maple Creek	N/A	117		292	Milton	45	330	
	65	Tecumseh	82	467		4B	139	Gull Lake	28		278	317 A	Marriott	NIL	165
	91	Maryfield	10	479		141	Big Stick	10	183		317 B	Marriott	2	312	
	1B	122	Martin	33		675	142	Enterprise	26		234	318	Mountain View	16	372
123		Silverwood	22	380	169	Pittville	N/A	162	320 A	Oakdale	42	315.1			
124		Kingsley	16	367	231	Happyland	1	221	320 B	Oakdale	4	345			
125 A		Chester	70	435	5A	183 A	Fertile Belt	N/A	362	321	Prairiedale	5	317		
125 B		Chester	60	447	183 B	Fertile Belt	4	398	7B	347	Biggar	NIL	340		
151 A		Rocanville	19	459	186	Abernethy	14	445	350 A	Mariposa	8	268.6			
151 B		Rocanville	N/A	534	211	Churchbridge	7	360	350 B	Mariposa	27	394			
154		Elcapo	8	415	213	Saltcoats	2	438	351	Progress	2	330			
155 A		Wolseley	7	359	216	Tullymet	N/A	309.5	352	Heart's Hill	12	396			
155 B		Wolseley	N/A	378	241	Calder	9	349	377	Glenside	8	372			
2A	67	Weyburn	N/A	262	243	Wallace	NIL	379	378 A	Rosemount	NIL	285			
	68	Brokenshell	2	246	244	Orkney	5	439	378 B	Rosemount	5	322			
	97	Wellington	12	262.5	245 A	Garry	3	452	379	Reford	8	372			
	2B	127 A	Francis	10.5	397.5	245 B	Garry	1	467	381	Grass Lake	9	344		
		127 B	Francis	5	299.1	245 C	Garry	N/A	466	382	Ey Hill	5	332.8		
	129	Bratt's Lake	5	273.5	246	Ituna Bon Accord	39	452	409	Buffalo	N/A	297			
	131 A	Baildon	4	378	247	Kellross	4	386	410	Round Valley	8	346.9			
	131 B	Baildon	0.1	447.2	248	Touchwood	14	333	8A	395	Porcupine	4	280		
	156 A	Indian Head	12	427.5	271	Cote	N/A	383	397	Barrier Valley	NIL	327.1			
	156 B	Indian Head	23	475.5	273	Sliding Hills	N/A	572	428	Star City	3	399			
157	South Qu'Appelle	22	454	277	Emerald	4	586	456	Arborfield	1	381				
160 A	Pense	NIL	356	305	Invermay	NIL	431	457	Connaught	12	315				
3ASE	160 B	Pense	N/A	75	307	Elfros	2	412	486	Moose Range	N/A	289			
	161	Moose Jaw	N/A	401	308 A	Big Quill	16	329	487	Nipawin	3	232			
	162	Caron	10	392	308 B	Big Quill	2	288	8B	369	St. Peter	3	333		
	191	Marquis	13	413	331	Livingston	5	360	370 A	Humboldt	6	387			
	38 A	Laurier	14	355.9	334	Preeceville	N/A	112	370 B	Humboldt	6	371			
	38 B	Laurier	5	311	336	Sasman	NIL	330	371	Bayne	1	375			
	39 A	The Gap	28	272	337	Lakeview	21	345	372	Grant	2.3	361.3			
	39 B	The Gap	18	316	338	Lakeside	2	396	400	Three Lakes	32	405			
	3ASW	10	Happy Valley	22	286	366	Kelvington	9	362	402	Fish Creek	8	356		
		12	Poplar Valley	N/A	304	367	Ponass Lake	41	400	429	Flett's Springs	2	325		
40 A		Bengough	N/A	224	6A	190 A	Dufferin	12	539	459	Kinistino	N/A	372		
40 B		Bengough	15	324	190 B	Dufferin	10	449	460	Birch Hills	5.3	315.5			
42		Willow Bunch	10	272	190 C	Dufferin	2	395	9AE	488	Torch River	2	326		
43		Old Post	NIL	297	190 D	Dufferin	1	222.5	491	Buckland	N/A	413			
70		Key West	32	157.6	219	Longlaketon	14	352	9AW	406	Mayfield	6	325		
73 A		Stonehenge	NIL	284.8	220	Mckillop	8	485	435	Redberry	N/A	421			
73 B		Stonehenge	NIL	342	221	Sarnia	6.4	419.1	436	Douglas	8	384			
74		Wood River	N/A	200.5	222	Craik	2	372	463	Duck Lake	13	396.9			
3AN	101	Terrell	5	296	251	Big Arm	3	429	467 A	Round Hill	22	483			
	102	Lake Johnston	8.9	271.1	252	Arm River	N/A	394	467 B	Round Hill	2	298			
	103	Sutton	37	285	279	Mount Hope	NIL	377	438	Battle River	10	298			
	132 A	Hillsborough	25	290	282	McCraney	1	375	440	Hillsdale	38	369			
	132 B	Hillsborough	NIL	341	309	Prairie Rose	N/A	450	442	Manitou Lake	8.4	267.8			
	134	Shamrock	2	233	310	Usborne	N/A	166.5	498 A	Parkdale	20	352.5			
	193 A	Eyebrow	N/A	341	312	Morris	NIL	127	498 B	Parkdale	19	264			
	193 B	Eyebrow	5	357	313	Lost River	7	381	499	Mervin	3	234			
	224	Maple Bush	NIL	318	339	Leroy	14.6	433.3	501 A	Frenchman Butte	1	343			
	3BS	17	Val Marie	30	451	340	Wolverine	2	348	501 B	Frenchman Butte	3	285		
75 A		Pinto Creek	2	279	341	Viscount	N/A	287	501 C	Frenchman Butte	5	355			
75 B		Pinto Creek	14	234	343 A	Blucher	N/A	307.9	502	Britannia	2	272			
76		Auvergne	20	263	343 B	Blucher	10	210	561	Loon Lake	NIL	350			
77		Wise Creek	5	343	6B	254	Loreburn	23	288	588 A	Meadow Lake	NIL	346		
78		Grassy Creek	NIL	317	284	Rudy	19	346	588 B	Meadow Lake	13	399			
105		Glenbain	8	236	285	Fertile Valley	6	252	588 C	Meadow Lake	NIL	392			
106		Whiska Creek	2	358	286	Milden	7	292	588 D	Meadow Lake	20	389.2			
107		Lac Pelletier	N/A	189	314	Dundurn	17	301	622	Beaver River	N/A	289.7			
108		Bone Creek	13	293	344	Corman Park	N/A	343							
3BN	137	Swift Current	N/A	41.6	346	Perdue	N/A	325							
	138 A	Webb	13	289.5	376	Eagle Creek	10	372							
	138 B	Webb	7.5	313.5	403	Rosthern	2	307							
	166	Excelsior	NIL	264											
	167	Sask. Landing	7.6	267.9											
	168 A	Riverside	11	261											
	168 B	Riverside	2.3	239.2											
	226	Victory	N/A	252											
	228	Lacadena	6	238.5											
	257	Monet	1	189.6											

Municipality No: A, B, C and D - more than one reporter

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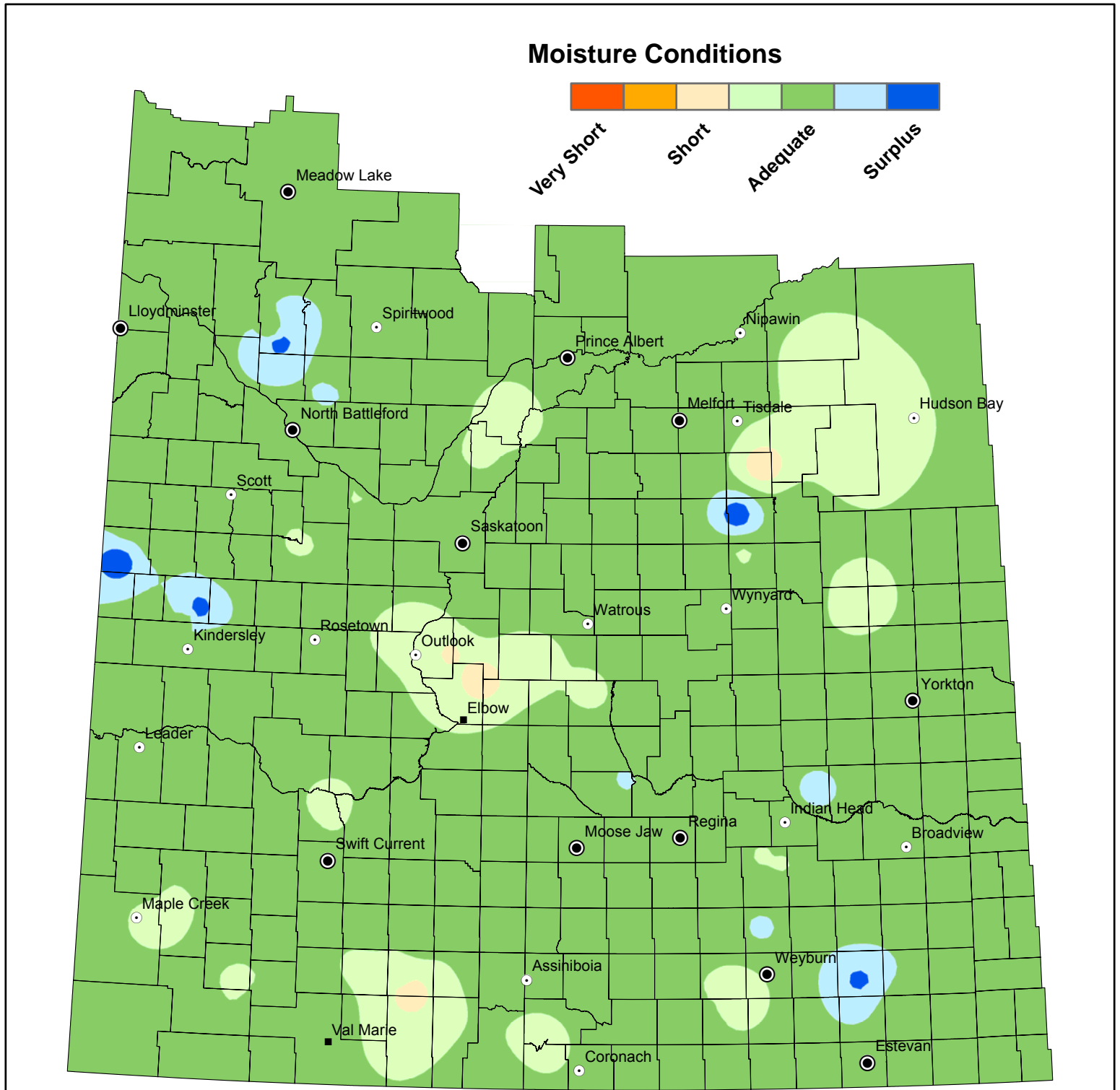
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Cropland Topsoil Moisture Conditions

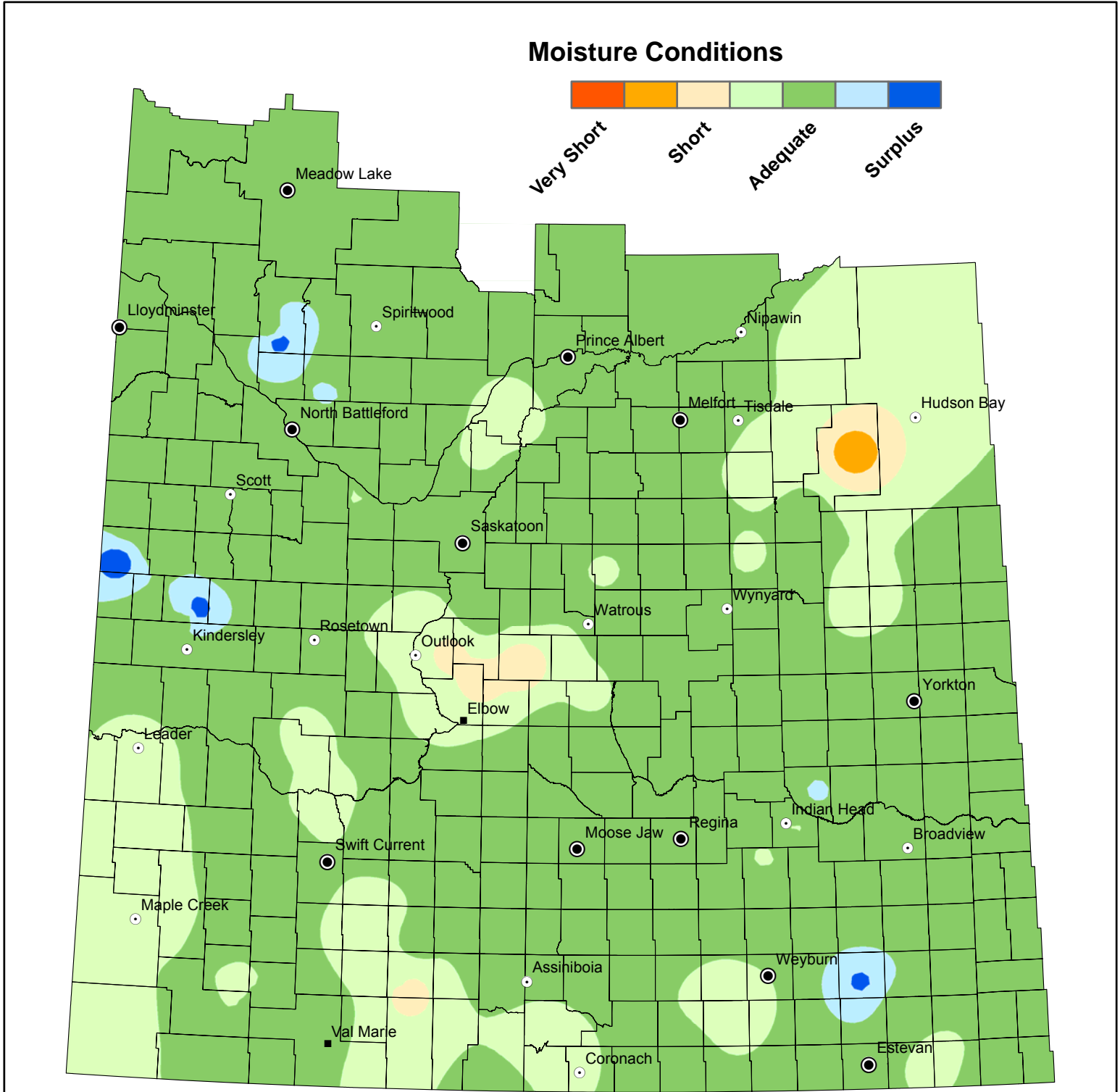
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Hay and Pasture Topsoil Moisture Conditions

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