

Crop Report

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For the Period April 26 to May 2, 2016

Thanks to warm and dry weather, Saskatchewan producers have 15 per cent of the 2016 crop seeded, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's weekly Crop Report. The five-year (2011-2015) seeding average for this time of year is four per cent. Many producers in the south have been seeding for several weeks, while those in the rest of the province are just getting into the field.

Seeding is most advanced in the southwest, where producers have 35 per cent of the crop in the ground. Eighteen per cent of the crop is seeded in the southeast; six per cent in the west-

One year ago

Fourteen per cent of the 2015 crop had been seeded thanks to warm and dry weather. Thirty-two per cent of the field peas had been seeded, 29 per cent of the lentils, 33 per cent of the mustard, 25 per cent of the durum and eight per cent of the spring wheat and canola.

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central region; three per cent in the northwest; two per cent in the east-central region; and one per cent in the northeast.

Provincially, 35 per cent of the lentils have been seeded; 31 per cent of the field peas; 26 per cent of the mustard; 24 per cent of the chickpeas; 22 per cent of the durum; 15 per cent of the soybeans; 11 per cent of the barley; nine per cent of the flax; eight per cent of the canola; seven per cent of the spring wheat and canaryseed and six per cent of the oats.

Very little to no rain fell on the province last week, although parts of the southwest received about half an inch. Many parts of the south and west will need rain soon to help crops germinate and emerge. Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as two per cent surplus, 78 per cent adequate, 19 per cent short and one per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as one per cent surplus, 64 per cent adequate, 31 per cent short and four per cent very short.

Producers are busy seeding, controlling weeds, working fields and moving cattle.

Seeding Progress in SK Per cent seeded					
All Crops					
May 2, 2016	15				
5 year avg. (2011-2015)	4				
10 year avg. (2006-2015)	5				

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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)

Seeding is progressing nicely in the region as 18 per cent of the crop is now in the ground, up from four per cent last week. Seeding is the furthest advanced in Crop District 3ASE where 48 per cent of the crop has been seeded. CD 2A has 45 per cent seeded; 1A 14 per cent; 1B nine per cent and 2B eight per cent.

Forty-two per cent of the field peas, 30 per cent of the lentils, 22 per cent of the barley, 20 per cent of the mustard and spring wheat, 19 per cent of the durum, 15 per cent of the soybeans, 13 per cent of the canaryseed, 11 per cent of the canola and eight per cent of the flax have now been seeded.

A lack of rain this past week, coupled with very warm weather, is drying up fields in the area. Rain will be needed soon to help crops germinate and emerge and for pastures to green up. The Stoughton area has received the greatest amount of rainfall for the region since April 1 (45 mm).

Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as one per cent surplus, 70 per cent adequate, 27 per cent short and two per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as one per cent surplus, 55 per cent adequate, 42 per cent short and two per cent very short. CD 2A is reporting that 55 per cent of the cropland and 87 per cent of the hay land and pasture is short topsoil moisture at this time.

The majority of winter cereals in the region came through the winter in good shape, although there are reports that some fields have winterkill damage. There have been reports of field fires in some areas and there are concerns that fields are drying up faster than expected this spring. Some producers are considering changing their seeding intentions if moisture does not arrive soon.

Seeding Progress by Crop District							
CD	May 2/16	May 4/15					
1a	14	9					
1b	9	9					
2a	45	24					
2b	8	7					
3ase	48	60					
3asw	10	19					
3an	42	50					
3bs	35	28					
3bn	38	38					
4a	29	48					
4b	51	27					
5a	1	7					
5b	<1	1					
6a	3	2					
6b	5	7					
7a	7	11					
7b	5	7					
8a	2	3					
8b	1	1					
9ae	<1	N/A					
9aw	3	5					
9b	2	9					

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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)

Producers in the southwest now have 35 per cent of the crop seeded, significantly up from eight per cent last week. Crop District 4B has 51 per cent of the crop in the ground, 3AN 42 per cent, 3BN 38 per cent, 3BS 35 per cent, 4A 29 per cent and 3ASW 10 per cent.

Fifty-four per cent of the lentils, 48 per cent of the field peas, 41 per cent of the barley, 39 per cent of the canola, 31 per cent of the mustard, 28 per cent of the chickpeas and canaryseed, 27 per cent of the durum, 20 per cent of the spring wheat and 10 per cent of the flax have now been seeded.

Very little rain was received this past week, although the Shaunavon area reported 17 mm. Since April 1, the Climax area has reported the greatest amount of precipitation (81 mm) for both the region and the province. Warm temperatures, high winds and a lack of precipitation are quickly drying up many fields in the region and there are concerns that crops may not germinate or emerge in some areas. Rain will be needed soon in much of the region.

Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as 79 per cent adequate, 19 per cent short and two per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 48 per cent adequate, 47 per cent short and five per cent very short. CD 3BN is reporting that 45 per cent of the cropland and 66 per cent of the hay land and pasture is short topsoil moisture, while 19 per cent of the hay land and pasture is very short topsoil moisture at this time.

The majority of winter cereals in the region came through the winter in good shape, although there are reports that some fields have winterkill damage. Some producers are considering changing their seeding intentions if moisture does not arrive soon. There have been reports of field fires in some areas.

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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)

Seeding has just begun in the area as warm and dry weather allowed many producers to hit the field. Two per cent of the crop is now seeded in the region. CD 6A has three per cent seeded, 5A has one per cent seeded and 5B has less than one per cent seeded. General seeding for the region is expected to be underway in the next week or so.

Four per cent of the lentils, three per cent of the field peas and durum, two per cent of the canola and one per cent of the spring wheat and barley have been seeded.

There were no reports of moisture this past week. The Esterhazy area has received the greatest amount of precipitation since April 1 (43 mm). Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as six per cent surplus, 86 per cent adequate and eight per cent short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as three per cent surplus, 86 per cent adequate, eight per cent short and three per cent very short.

Pastures are starting to green up and producers are moving cattle. There have been a few reports of producers combining crops left over from last fall. The majority of winter cereals in the region came through the winter in good shape, although there are reports that some fields have winterkill damage.

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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)

Seeding is nicely underway in the west-central region as six per cent of the crop is now in the ground. Crop District 7A is reporting that seven per cent of the crop is seeded, while CDs 6B and 7B are both reporting five per cent. General seeding for the area will begin in the next week or so.

Eighteen per cent of the field peas, 13 per cent of the lentils, 10 per cent of the chickpeas, seven per cent of the durum and soybeans, three per cent of spring wheat and two per cent of the barley and canola have been seeded.

Very little rain fell in the region, with the Macklin area reporting the most (5 mm). The Macklin area has also recorded the greatest amount of rainfall for the region since April 1 (20 mm).

Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as one per cent surplus, 58 per cent adequate, 39 per cent short and two per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as one per cent surplus, 48 per cent adequate, 39 per cent short and 12 per cent very short. At this time, Crop District 7A is reporting that 56 per cent of the cropland and 51 per cent of the hay land and pasture are short topsoil moisture. A significant rain will be needed in the coming weeks to improve field and pasture conditions.

The majority of winter cereals in the region came through the winter in good shape, although there are reports that some fields have winterkill damage. Some producers are considering changing their seeding intentions if moisture does not arrive soon. There have been reports of cutworms and wireworms in some fields.

Farmers are busy working fields, seeding and controlling weeds.

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)

Thanks to warm and dry weather, producers in the northeast now have one per cent of the crop seeded. Crop District 8A has two per cent seeded, 8B has one per cent seeded and 9AE has less than one per cent seeded at this time. It is expected that general seeding will begin this week.

Eight per cent of the field peas, three per cent of the barley and one per cent of the spring wheat and durum have now been seeded.

There were no reports of moisture this past week. Since April 1, the Arborfield area has reported the greatest amount of precipitation in the region (33 mm).

Topsoil moisture conditions have improved in the region. Cropland topsoil moisture conditions are rated as six per cent surplus, 86 per cent adequate and eight per cent short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as three per cent surplus, 86 per cent adequate and 11 per cent short. Crop District 9AE is reporting that 15 per cent of the cropland and 13 per cent of the hay land and pasture have surplus topsoil moisture at this time.

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

Seeding is underway in the region and three per cent of the crop is now in the ground. Warm and dry weather has allowed producers to get into the field much earlier than normal. Crop District 9AW is reporting that three per cent of the crop is seeded, while two per cent is seeded in CD 9B.

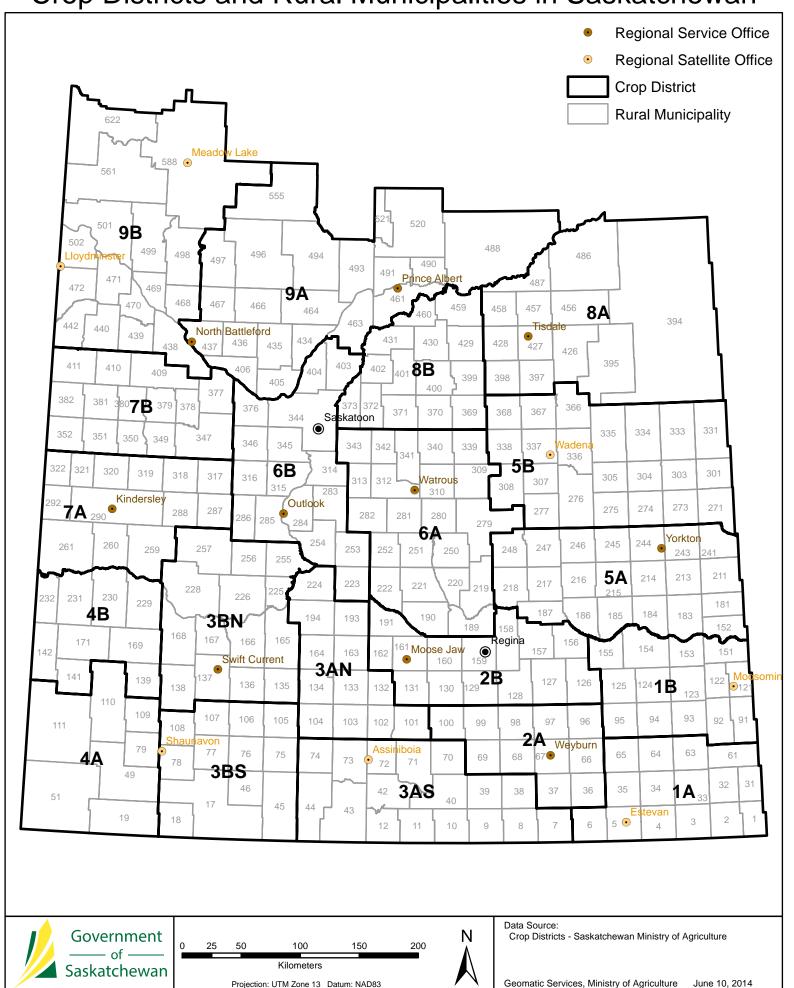
Four per cent of the field peas, three per cent of the canola and two per cent of the spring wheat have now been seeded.

Very little to no rain was reported this past week, although the Neilburg area received 0.5 mm. Since April 1, the Meadow Lake area has received 20 mm of precipitation, the greatest amount for the region.

Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as 93 per cent adequate and seven per cent short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 84 per cent adequate and 16 per cent short. At this time, Crop District 9B is reporting that 13 per cent of the cropland and 20 per cent of the hay land and pasture is very short topsoil moisture.

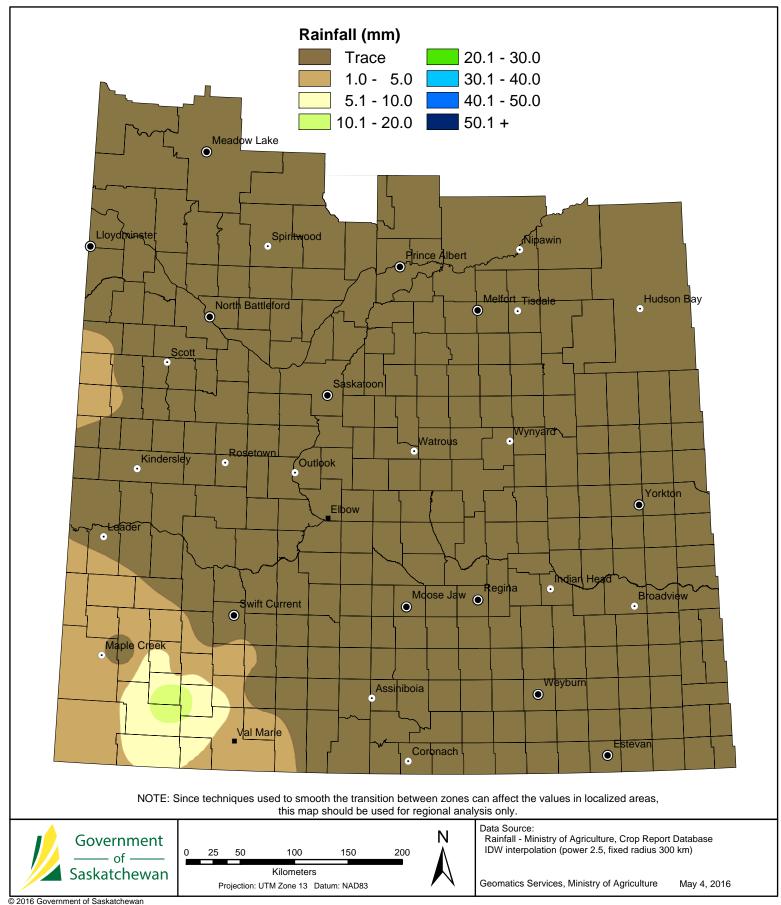
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Crop Districts and Rural Municipalities in Saskatchewan



Weekly Rainfall

from April 26 to May 2, 2016



Weekly Rainfall Summary

(in millimeters

1 inch = 25 mm

for the period April 26 to May 2, 2016

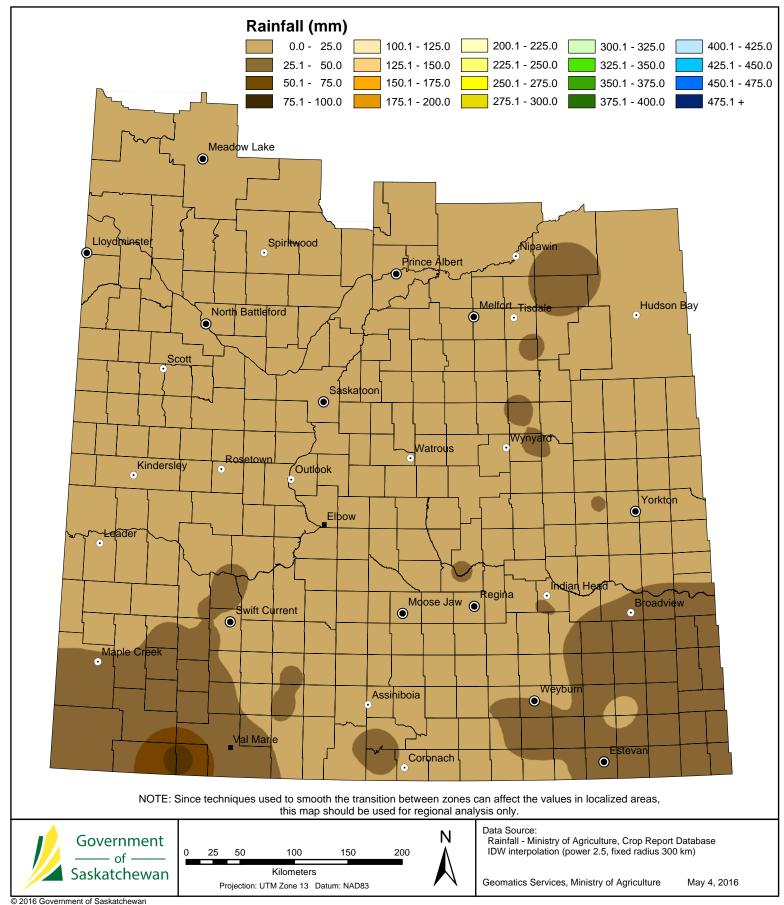
Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr	Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr	Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr
1A	2	Mount Pleasant	NIL	39	4A	49	White Valley	N/A	38	7A	287	St. Andrews	NIL	NIL
	3	Enniskillen	NIL	26		51	Reno	4	39.9		288	Pleasant Valley	NIL	NIL
	33	Moose Creek	NIL	32		79	Arlington	17	52		290 A	Kindersley	N/A	7.7
	34	Browning	N/A	27		109 A	Carmichael	3	27		290 B	Kindersley	NIL	7.8
	61	Antler	N/A	N/A		109 B	Carmichael	10	56		290 C	Kindersley	N/A	9
	64 65	Brock	NIL	23 45		110	Piapot Mania Crack	NIL N/A	25		292 317 A	Milton Marriott	N/A	27 N/A
1B	65 91	Tecumseh Maryfield	NIL NIL	45	4B	111 139	Maple Creek Gull Lake	N/A 1	16.3 27		317 A 317 B	Marriott	N/A NIL	NIL
ID	122	Martin	NIL	41	40	142	Enterprise	N/A	23		317 B	Mountain View	NIL	3
	123	Silverwood	NIL	37		231	Happyland	N/A	18		320 A	Oakdale	NIL	10.5
	124 A	Kingsley	NIL	39	5A	183	Fertile Belt	NIL	43		320 B	Oakdale	N/A	10.5
	124 B	Kingsley	N/A	29		211	Churchbridge	N/A	31		321	Prairiedale	NIL	18
	125 A	Chester	NIL	44		213	Saltcoats	NIL	10	7B	347	Biggar	NIL	4
	125 B	Chester	NIL	28		241	Calder	NIL	NIL		350 A	Mariposa	NIL	6.2
	151	Rocanville	NIL	11		243	Wallace	NIL	15		350 B	Mariposa	NIL	5
	154	Elcapo	N/A	33		244	Orkney	NIL	8		351	Progress	N/A	8
	155	Wolseley	NIL	25		245 A	Garry	NIL	27		352	Heart's Hill	N/A	20
2A	67	Weyburn	NIL	30		245 B	Garry	NIL	10		377	Glenside	NIL	NIL
	68	Brokenshell	NIL	26		245 C	Garry	NIL	16		378	Rosemount	NIL	3
	97	Wellington	NIL	10		246	Ituna Bon Accord	N/A	9		379	Reford	NIL	4
2B	127 A	Francis	NIL	19		247	Kellross	NIL	16		381	Grass Lake	NIL	3
		Francis	NIL	7.5		248	Touchwood	NIL	7		382	Eye Hill	5	20.2
	129	Bratt's Lake	NIL	7	5B	271	Cote	N/A	NIL		409	Buffalo	N/A	N/A
	131 A	Baildon	NIL	6		273	Sliding Hills	N/A	37		410	Round Valley	N/A	NIL
	131 B	Baildon	N/A	10		277	Emerald	NIL	9	8A	395	Porcupine	NIL	22
	156 A	Indian Head	NIL	13.9		305	Invermay	N/A	15		397	Barrier Valley	NIL	26.7
	156 B	Indian Head	NIL	33		307	Elfros	NIL NIL	38 7		428 456	Star City	NIL NIL	32
	159 160	Sherwood Pense	NIL NIL	5		308 A 308 B	Big Quill	NIL	25		456	Arborfield	N/A	N/A
	161	Moose Jaw	NIL	9		331	Big Quill Livingston	NIL	45		486	Connaught Moose Range	N/A	N/A
	162	Caron	NIL	16		336	Sasman	NIL	14		487	Nipawin	N/A	44
	191	Marquis	NIL	NIL		337	Lakeview	NIL	29	8B	369	St. Peter	N/A	7
3ASE	38 A	Laurier	NIL	32.8		338	Lakeside	N/A	22	0.5	370 A	Humboldt	NIL	7
	38 B	Laurier	NIL	19		366	Kelvington	NIL	18		370 B	Humboldt	NIL	10
	39	The Gap	NIL	30		367	Ponass Lake	N/A	23.5		371	Bayne	NIL	9
3ASW	10	Happy Valley	N/A	43	6A	190 A	Dufferin	N/A	15		372	Grant	NIL	7.4
	12	Poplar Valley	N/A	38		190 B	Dufferin	NIL	23		400	Three Lakes	NIL	17
	40	Bengough	N/A	N/A		190 C	Dufferin	NIL	23		402	Fish Creek	NIL	7
	42	Willow Bunch	NIL	30		190 D	Dufferin	N/A	NII		429	Flett's Springs	NIL	8
	43	Old Post	NIL	23		219 A	Longlaketon	N/A	2		459	Kinistino	NIL	10
	73 A	Stonehenge	NIL	19		219 B	Longlaketon	NIL	28		460	Birch Hills	NIL	4.3
	73 B	Stonehenge	NIL	22		220	McKillop	NIL	5	9AE	488	Torch River	NIL	25
3AN	101	Terrell	N/A	N/A		221 A	Sarnia	NIL	11.4		520	Paddockwood	NIL	14.5
	102	Lake Johnston	NIL	10.4		221 B	Sarnia	NIL	10		521	Lakeland	N/A	14.5
	103	Sutton	NIL	8		222	Craik	NIL	13	9AW	406	Mayfield	N/A	1
	132 A	Hillsborough	NIL	12.5		251	Big Arm	NIL	NIL		435	Redberry	N/A	4
	132 B	Hillsborough	NIL	18		252	Arm River	NIL	16		436	Douglas	NIL	NIL
	134	Shamrock	NIL	17		279	Mount Hope	NIL	3.1		463	Duck Lake	N/A	1
		Eyebrow	N/A	7		282	McCraney	NIL	14		467 A	Round Hill	N/A	6 NIII
3BS	193 B 17	Eyebrow Val Marie	NIL N/A	34.9		312 313	Morris Lost River	N/A	N/A		467 B 494	Round Hill Canwood	N/A	NIL 17
303	18	Lone Tree	5 N/A	81.4		339	Leroy	NIL	21.2	9B	494	Battle River	NIL	NIL
	75	Pinto Creek	1	27		340	Wolverine	NIL	7	90	440	Hillsdale	NIL	4
	76	Auvergne	NIL	19		341	Viscount	N/A	12		442	Manitou Lake	0.5	6.4
	77	Wise Creek	6	45		343	Blucher	NIL	4		498 A	Parkdale	NIL	2
	78	Grassy Creek	N/A	37.6	6B	223 A	Huron	NIL	12		498 B	Parkdale	NIL	NIL
	105	Glenbain	NIL	27		223 B	Huron	NIL	6.5		499 A	Mervin	NIL	5
	106	Whiska Creek	1	23		284	Rudy	NIL	11		499 B	Mervin	N/A	N/A
	107	Lac Pelletier	N/A	19		285 A	Fertile Valley	NIL	0		501 A	Frenchman Butte	NIL	7
	108	Bone Creek	N/A	24		285 B	Fertile Valley	NIL	4		501 B	Frenchman Butte	NIL	4
3BN	138 A	Webb	N/A	36.5		286	Milden	NIL	NIL		501 C	Frenchman Butte	N/A	2
	138 B	Webb	NIL	26		314	Dundurn	NIL	7		502	Britannia	N/A	NIL
	166	Excelsior	NIL	12		344	Corman Park	NIL	1		561	Loon Lake	NIL	10
	167	Sask. Landing	NIL	38.0		346	Perdue	NIL	4		588 A	Meadow Lake	NIL	20
	168 A	Riverside	NIL	26		376	Eagle Creek	NIL	NIL		588 B	Meadow Lake	NIL	14
	168 B	Riverside	NIL	7		403	Rosthern	NIL	NIL		622	Beaver River	NIL	1.3
	226	Victory	N/A	N/A										
	228	Lacadena	NIL	NIL										
	257	Monet	N/A	1										
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These precipitation amounts represent point locations within each municipality and do not necessarily reflect the whole R. M.

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

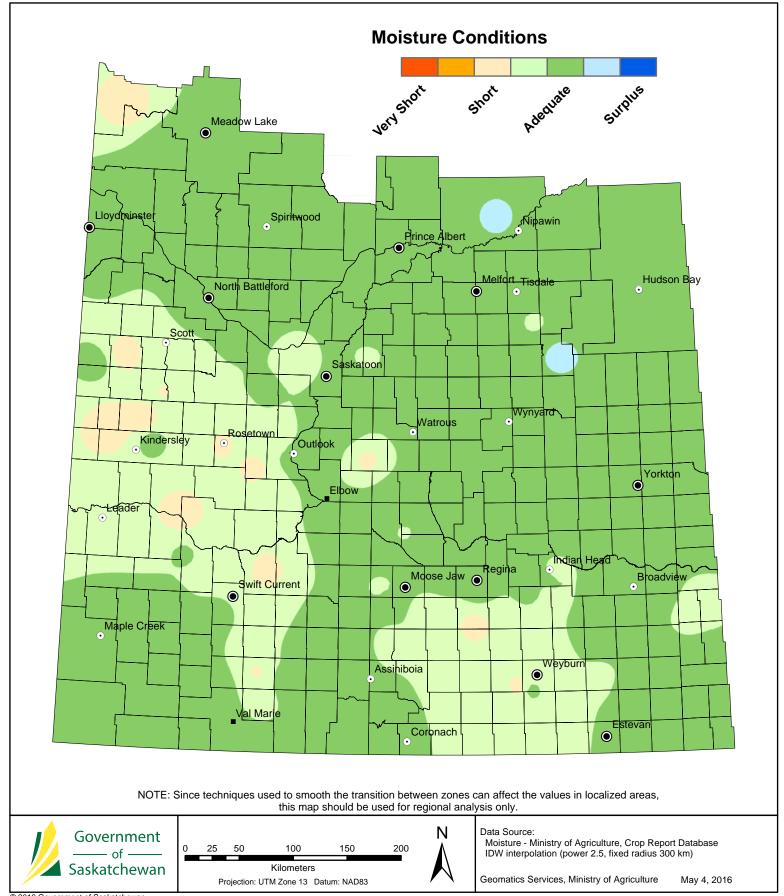
Cumulative Rainfall

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Cropland Topsoil Moisture Conditions

May 2, 2016



Hay and Pasture Topsoil Moisture Conditions May 2, 2016

