Oklahoma Wheat Harvest Continues to Move Ahead Making Great Strides the Past Couple Days

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Oklahoma Wheat harvest is moving forward in all locations across the state with producers making great strides statewide. Things are finally moving better in South Central, Oklahoma, North of El Reno and down by Chickasha as fields are drying up. Elevators are still reporting sprout damage across the state in the Southwest, South Central and Central regions due to excessive moisture in places. The sprout damage has also been variety specific in many instances. (Note: Percentages in comparison to nonsprouted wheat has not changed since Monday's report.) In Southwest Oklahoma, some fields have as much at 10 to 30% damage, this would be in 10 percent of the crop from this region. In South Central, fields reported to be having 10% to 18% sprout damage on 20% of the loads being taken in. In Central Oklahoma sprout damage is estimated from 2% to 15%. The majority of sprout damage in these regions is falling in the 0 to 2% category, with 5 to 7% of the crop having as much as 15% damage. In Northern Oklahoma not much sprout damage is being reported. Proteins across the state are favorable with averages coming in between 12 to 13% in most places. Yields are ranging all over the board low teens to mid-20's in Southwest, Oklahoma. In South Central Oklahoma, yields being reported from 10 bushels per acre to the mid 30's. (Yields on areas where harvest is just picking up after the heavy rains last week are doing much better than expected even though sprout damage on some varieties is being reported in this region.) Yields in South Central, from Hinton to El Reno and then South to Chickasha are ranging in the mid 20's to mid-30's, which is remarkable given what the crop went thru. It should be noted some areas did have heavy hail damage and we are hearing reports of 20 to 40% losses where hail did occur. Yields in central and Northern Oklahoma are being reported as higher ranging from 15 bushels per acre to as high as 65 bushels per acre. In the Northern tier of the state where yields are better, regions are still looking at averages in the high 20's to mid-30's. It is also important to note several areas in Northwest Oklahoma up by Cherokee and Burlington had severe drought and large portions of that region will not be harvested, which will also have major impact on statewide bushels that are taken in. Test weights have been lowered from Southern Oklahoma to Central Oklahoma, but based on earlier cuttings with higher test weights most locations are still hoping for a 58 bushel per pound average. Test weights being reported from Enid North up around Jefferson, Medford, Lamont, Renfrow, Perry, Tonkawa, Ponca City, and Blackwell ranging from 58-61 pounds. Harvest is just getting started in NE Oklahoma around the Afton and Miami and not enough wheat was taken in to make a report. Harvest is also moving now on the dryland wheat in the Panhandle. The Oklahoma Wheat Commission is now calling Oklahoma wheat harvest 55% completed.

Southwest

<u>Grandfield/Devol/Chattanooga/Lawton-</u> Grandfield is 95% complete, Devol is 99% complete, Chattanooga is 85% complete, Lawton is reported 95% completed. Test weights in this region ranging from 58-60 pounds per bushel. Yields ranging in the low teens to mid-20's. Proteins ranging from the 11.5% to 12.5%. No sprout damage reported from these locations.

<u>Frederick-</u> Harvest in this region is 99% complete. Test weights ranging from 60 to 61 pounds/bushel. Proteins ranging from 12 to 12.5% range. Yields being reported from low teens to high twenties, averaging in the low 20's.

<u>Altus/Duke/Carter-</u> Harvest in this region reported as 95% done. Test weights have dropped some over the past week with the heavy rains and are now trending 56-58 pounds per bushel compared to earlier cuttings making 59 to 60 pounds per bushel. Yields reported from 5 bushel an acre to mid-20's. Proteins ranging from 13% to 16%.

<u>Lone Wolf/Hobart-</u> Harvest in these regions is reported at 75% complete. Test weights have dropped slightly and now being reported from 55 to 58 pounds per bushel. Yields ranging from low teens to mid-20's. Proteins reported making from 13% to 16%.

South Central

<u>Apache-</u> Wheat harvest is moving along in this region and is considered 45% complete. Test weights have been ranging from 57 pounds to 58 pounds per bushel for the most part. On the intensive management wheat they are seeing some 60 pound test weights. Yields for the most part are ranging from 10 to 35 bushels per acre depending on location, management and variety.

<u>Chickasha-</u> Harvest in this region has really moved forward over the past couple of days once producers have been able to get into fields. Harvest in this region 45% to 50% complete. Yields are doing much better than expected based on all the heavy rains, high winds and hail damage that occurred. Test weights ranging from 58 to 59 pounds per bushel. Yields making in the mid 20's to mid-30's. Some minor sprout damage is being reported but not as bad as expected. Some producers have had 20 to 40% hail damage losses.

Western Oklahoma

<u>Sentinel/Rocky-</u> Harvest has made great progress over the weekend and is reported at 95% complete. Test weights reported in the 56 to 60 pound per bushel range. Yields being reported from 14 to 28 bushels per acre. Proteins ranging from 13% to 17% depending on variety and management practices.

<u>Hinton-</u> Harvest in this area has progressed extremely fast over the last few days. *This region is reported at 75% complete.* Yields are doing better than expected after all the storms that hit prior to last week. Yields ranging in the mid 30's, test weights averaging 60.5 pounds. Proteins ranging from 10% to 17% with a 13.5% average.

Central Oklahoma

<u>El Reno-</u> Harvest has been rolling North of El Reno, and is finally getting started South of El Reno although producers are still fighting mud from last week. *They are reporting 40% harvested in this region*. Yields are being reported from the low 20's to the low 40's depending on variety and management. Test weights ranging from 57 to 59.5 pounds per bushel. Protein ranging from 11% to 14.5%

<u>Kingfisher/Omega</u>- Harvest in this region reported to be 80% complete. Test weights have dropped with ranges reported from 57 to 60 pounds per bushel. Yields averaging in the high 20's to low 30's. Proteins have ranged from 10% to 15%, seeing a lot in the 11.5% to 12.5% range.

<u>Reeding-</u> Harvest in this region reported 40% complete. Test weights have dropped with ranges from 57 to 59 pounds per bushel being reported. Yields averaging mid-teens to low 30's depending on variety and management. Proteins ranging from 11% to 12%.

<u>Loyal-</u> Harvest in this region reported at 40% complete. Test weights averaging 57 to 59 pounds per bushel. Yields on early harvested wheat making in the low 20's to low 40's. Protein ranging from 11.5% to 12.5% on early samples.

Northwest OK

<u>Shattuck/Fort Supply-</u>*This region being reported at 30% complete.* Test weights ranging from 57 to 62 pounds per bushel depending on variety and management. Yields ranging from 5 bushels to 25 bushels per acre. Proteins are ranging from 12% to 14%.

<u>Burlington-</u> Harvest in this region reported at 40% complete. A large area in this region will not be harvested due to the severe drought. On the crop that will be harvested, test weight for this region is averaging 58 pounds per bushel. Yields making in the mid 20's to mid-40's on the wheat that will be harvested depending on where moisture was received in a timely manner and management practices. Proteins ranging from 12% to 13%.

<u>Helena/Goltry-</u> Harvest in this region has been moving full speed ahead, this region being reported as 60% harvested. Yields reported from the mid-teens to low 30's for the most part. Test weights ranging from 58 to 60 pounds per bushel. Proteins are averaging 13%.

Northern Oklahoma

<u>Pond Creek/Lamont-</u> *This area reported to be 30% complete.* Test weights ranging from 58 to 60 pounds per bushel. Yields being reported in the low 30's to mid-40's. Proteins ranging from 12% to 16%.

<u>Medford/Deer Creek-Producers</u> in this region are moving forward and harvest is reported 20% complete. Test weights on early cuttings ranging from 58 to 60 pounds per bushel. Yields in this region have been reported to be making better because of timely rains. The yields are ranging from low 30's to mid-40's. Some reports on management intensive wheat to be making in the high 60's. Proteins have been ranging from 11% to 16%.

<u>Perry/Tonkawa/Ponca City/Blackwell</u>-Producers in this region are just getting started over the past few days. Harvest reported at 20% complete. Test weights ranging from 58 to 61 pounds per bushel. Protein averages around 12 to 13%. Yields making in the mid 20's to mid-40's with some areas reporting higher yields on management intensive wheat.

Northeast Oklahoma

Early reports of a couple loads being taken in at Miami, and this was on Hard Red Winter (HRW) wheat. A more detailed report with actual results will be published on Monday of next week once harvest gets rolling, we will also be reporting on the Soft Red Winter (SRW) wheat in this region. No SRW has been taken in at this time.

Panhandle

<u>Hooker-</u> Harvest on dryland wheat has just started over the past couple of days. Test weights ranging from 58 to 63 pounds per bushel. On the dryland wheat that is being harvested reports showing it is averaging around 20 bushels per acre on early cuttings. Proteins averaging 12%.

Below see the Heat Maximum and Air Temperatures for Wednesday June 15th. Also please see the 7-day forecast provided by the Oklahoma Mesonet. The next harvest report will be scheduled for Monday, June 20, 2022.



