

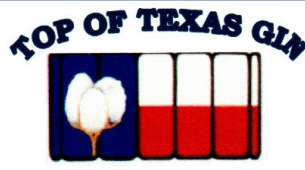


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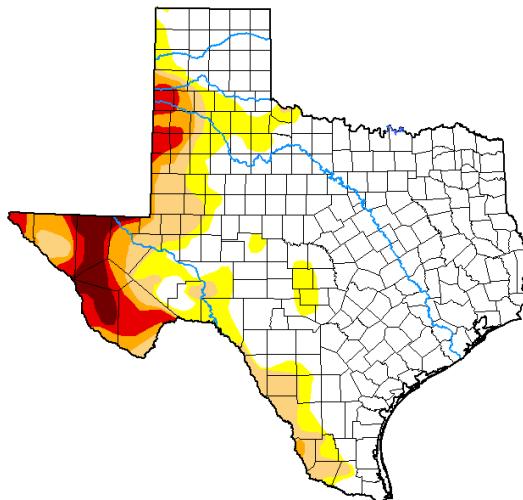
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Perspective – The Challenging Month of May 2021

With the May 31 cotton insurance final planting date passed and later planting dates looming, many growers are concerned about crop conditions. Lingering drought continued until about mid-May, and then badly needed and highly welcomed rainfall occurred. This regional rainfall has had a significant impact on the overall drought situation in both Texas and western Oklahoma as noted in the U.S. Drought Monitor maps from June 1 below.

U.S. Drought Monitor Texas

June 1, 2021
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Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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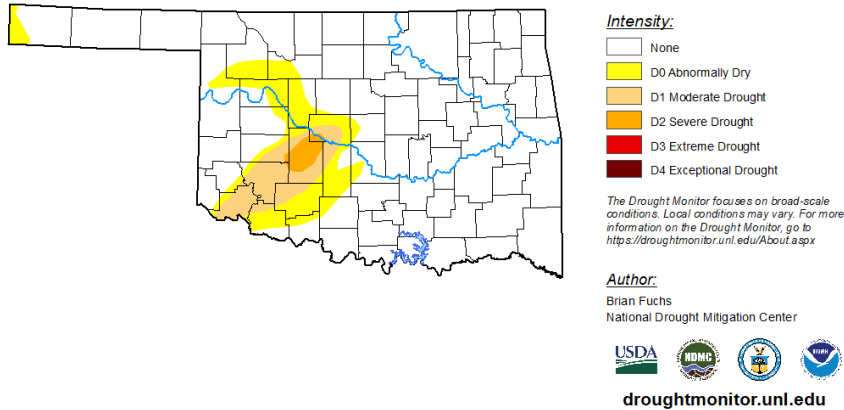


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U.S. Drought Monitor
Oklahoma

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Some areas encountered substantial rainfall and even flooding. Then, after the rainfall began, the May 31 planting date deadline was around the corner, and growers in many locations got caught between the planting deadlines and wet soils.

Overall, the moisture situation is significantly improved, but the cool temperatures and high rainfall amounts have resulted in the crop either being late or perhaps even lost due to these conditions. This soil moisture will be excellent for regional dryland crop prospects, assuming growers can get the fields planted in a timely manner.

To see the distribution of May rainfall provided by the West Texas Mesonet, click on the link below: <http://www.mesonet.ttu.edu/May21rain.htm>

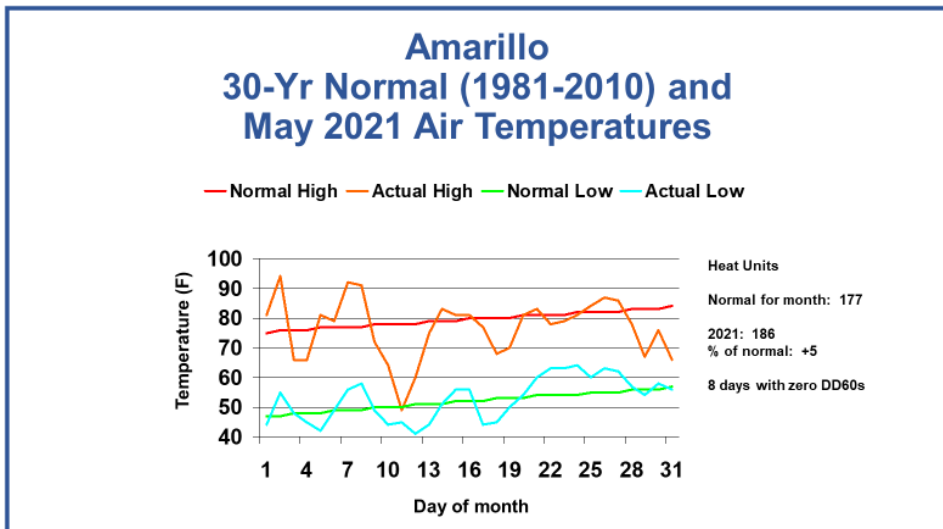
To see the distribution of rainfall for the past 30 days provided by the Oklahoma Mesonet, click on the link below:

https://www.mesonet.org/index.php/weather/map/30_day_rainfall_accumulation/rainfall

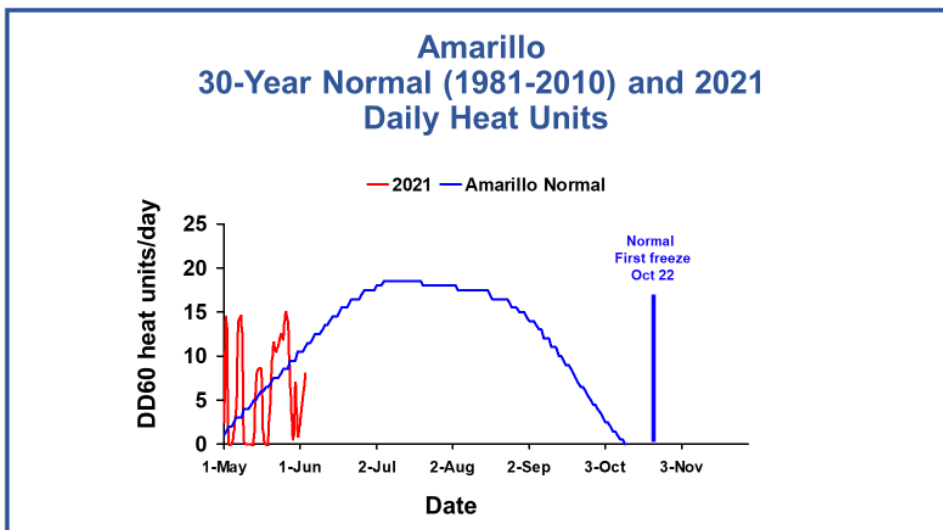
Along with the rainfall, cooler temperatures and substantial cloud cover were also encountered. The month of May ended with 186 cotton heat units (DD60s), which is about 5 percent higher than normal (177).

Temperatures for the month of May and daily cotton DD60s through June 3rd are presented below.

May, 2021 vs. Normal Temperatures



Daily DD60s from May 1 through June 3

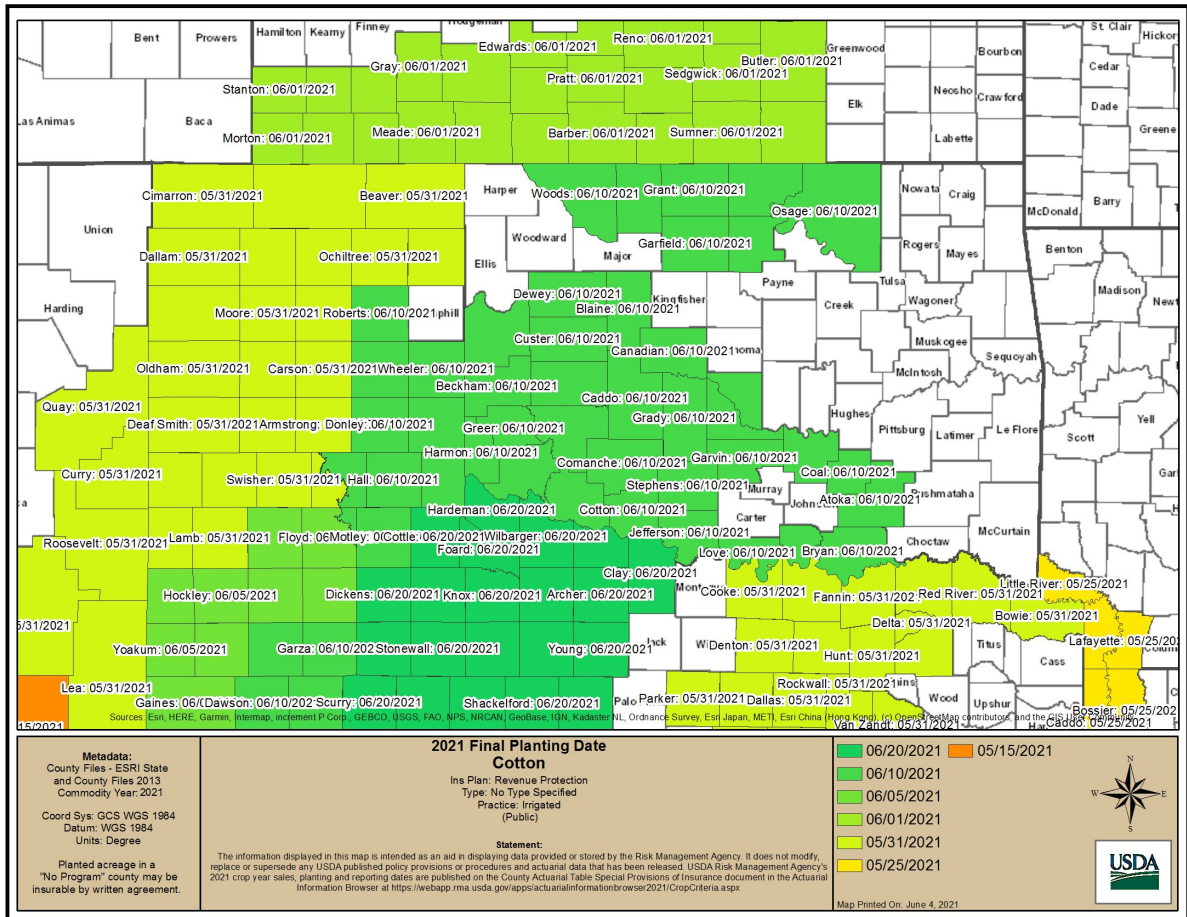


Cotton Final Planting Dates for Insurance Purposes

The May 31 final planting dates have passed, and this affects numerous counties in the Texas Panhandle as far south as Swisher. 2021 Maps of both irrigated and non-irrigated final planting dates by county are available from the USDA-Risk Management Agency. For convenience they have been provided below. These maps were obtained from the following website:

<https://prodwebnlb.rma.usda.gov/apps/MapView/index.html>

Irrigated - 2021 Cotton Final Planting Dates for Insurance Purposes



Non-Irrigated 2021 Cotton Final Planting Dates for Insurance Purposes

