

For the Period September 18 to 24, 2018

Another wet and cool week has significantly slowed harvest operations in the province. Sixty-eight per cent of the crop is now in the bin, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's weekly Crop Report. The five-year (2013-2017) average is 64 per cent for this time of year. Rain was recorded throughout most of the province through the week. Up to 15 cm of snow was reported in some areas in the central regions.

Harvest is most advanced in the southwestern region, where 88 per cent of the crop is now combined. The southeastern region has 87 per cent combined, the west-central 59 per cent and the east-central region 58 per cent combined. The northeastern region has 34 per cent combined, while the northwestern region has 27 per cent combined.

Saskatchewan Harvest September 24, 2018 Per cent combined	
Winter wheat	99
Fall rye*	99
Spring wheat	53
Durum	82
Oats**	49
Barley	72
Canaryseed	32
Flax	28
Canola	48
Mustard	76
Soybeans	22
Lentils	97
Peas	96
Chickpeas	74
*includes 22 per cent 'other'	
**includes five per cent 'other'	

Ninety-seven per cent of the lentils, 96 per cent of the field peas, 82 per cent of the durum, 53 per cent of spring wheat, 48 per cent of the canola and 28 per cent of the flax have now been combined.

With the late-season rain and snow, topsoil moisture conditions have improved across the province. Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as four per cent surplus, 58 per cent adequate, 32 per cent short and six per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 48 per cent adequate, 42 per cent short and 10 per cent very short.

The majority of crop damage was due to lodging, while rain and snow caused quality loss.

One year ago

Rain showers delayed harvest for producers in the north regions where 50 per cent of harvest was complete. Rain was welcomed by those in the dry south regions of the province.

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Harvest Progress in SK Per cent Combined All Crops

Sept 24/18	68
5 year avg. (2013-2017)	64
Sept 25/17	78
Sept 26/16	70
Sept 21/15	60
Sept 22/14	43
Sept 23/13	71
10 year avg. (2008-2017)	62

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Saskatchewan Harvest by Crop District September 24, 2018							
Crop District	Per cent combined		Crop District	Per cent combined		Crop District	Per cent combined
1A	87		4A	92		7A	62
1B	79		4B	85		7B	47
2A	84		5A	57		8A	36
2B	86		5B	45		8B	40
3ASE	98		6A	70		9AE	30
3ASW	78		6B	66		9AW	30
3AN	88					9B	26
3BS	90						
3BN	91						

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, Minton and Lake Alma areas

Some producers were able to get into the fields to combine in between rain showers. The majority of the grain was combined tough. Eighty-seven per cent of the crop is in the bin, up from 84 per cent last week. The five-year average (2013-2017) for this time of year is 69 per cent combined.

The Kisbey area reported 40 mm of rain for the week, the Frobisher area 18 mm, the Kipling area 29 mm, the Broadview area 7 mm, the Weyburn area 23 mm, the Moose Jaw area 30 mm, the Wilcox area 6 mm and the Ceylon area 41 mm. Approximately 10 cm of snow was reported in the Carnduff, Broadview, Weyburn, and Alida areas. Indian Head reported 17 cm of snow.

Topsoil moisture on cropland is rated as 55 per cent adequate, 38 per cent short and seven per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 50 per cent adequate, 42 per cent short and eight per cent very short. Next spring, the late-season moisture will benefit pastures that had significant grazing pressure during the summer.

The majority of crop damage this past week is due to rain causing potential grade losses. There are still concerns regarding the lack of feed and the risk of grass fires in many parts of the region.

Producers are busy moving cattle and baling straw.

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

A damp week slowed harvest progress. Eighty-eight per cent of the crop has been combined, up from 86 per cent last week and well ahead of the five-year (2013-2017) average of 77 per cent for this time of year.

Rain was reported in most of the region. Even though the rain interfered with producers trying to finish harvest, the rain has at least started to green-up some pastures and hay land that were very much in need of moisture after a very dry summer. The Fife Lake area reported 48 mm of rain, the Limerick area 21 mm, the Mortlach area 8 mm, the Hazenmore area 23 mm, the Success area 6 mm, the Tyner area 16 mm, the Gull Lake area 26 mm and the Leader area 10 mm. The Vanguard area has recorded the most rainfall (265 mm) in the area since April 1. The Kyle area has reported the least amount of rainfall in the region since April 1 (102 mm).

Topsoil moisture conditions have improved significantly over the past couple of weeks. Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as 34 per cent adequate, 55 per cent short and 11 per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture conditions are rated as 24 per cent adequate, 63 per cent short and 13 per cent very short.

Producers are busy combining when weather allows, baling straw, hauling bales, moving cattle and controlling weeds.

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

Fields have been fairly quiet over the past few weeks as producers wait for sunny and dry weather to allow them to continue with harvest. There were reports of some combines rolling during the past week, mostly on canola and wheat. Fifty-eight per cent of the crop is now in the bin, up from 55 per cent last week. This is just slightly ahead of the five-year (2013-2017) average of 55 per cent for this time of year. Of the crop that was combined this past week, the majority of it was taken off tough or damp and put into driers.

Up to 15 cm of snow was reported in some areas of the region. The Esterhazy area received 25 mm of rain, Kelliher area 15 mm, the Yorkton area 8 mm, the Kuroki area 20 mm, the Earl Gray area 10 mm and the Semans area 38 mm. The Langenburg area has received the most precipitation (434 mm) in the region since April 1.

Topsoil moisture on cropland is rated as seven per cent surplus, 62 per cent adequate, 26 per cent short and five per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture conditions are rated as two per cent surplus, 52 per cent adequate, 33 per cent short and 13 per cent very short.

Crop reporters have indicated that the recent rain will most likely have an effect on crop quality by causing bleaching and staining. The snow has caused crops to lodge. There has been some seeding of winter cereals.

Producers are busy trying to combine and hauling hay bales.

West-Central Saskatchewan:

- Crop District 6B – Hanley, Outlook, Loreburn, Saskatoon and Arelee areas
- Crop District 7A – Rosetown, Kindersley, Eston and Major areas
- Crop District 7B – Kerrobert, Macklin, Wilkie and Biggar areas

Combines have been parked for about two weeks in most of the region due to overcast days, rain and snow, although some producers were able to get out and get a few acres done. Fifty-nine per cent of the crop is combined, up from 57 per cent last week. The five-year (2013-2017) average for this time of year is 66 per cent combined.

Rain ranged from trace amounts (Outlook area) to 36 mm (Perdue area). The Dinsmore area received 10 mm, the Marengo area 31 mm, the Biggar area 15 mm and the Phippen area 18 mm. The Perdue area has received the most precipitation (381 mm) in the region since April 1. Dinsmore has received the least amount of rain (90 mm) since April 1. Snow, ranging from 5 to 25 cm, was reported throughout the region.

Although the rain and snow have stalled harvest, the moisture has helped replenish topsoil moisture. Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as two per cent surplus, 74 per cent adequate, 21 per cent short and three per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 53 per cent adequate, 37 per cent short and 10 per cent very short.

Rain and snow have caused crop damage and grade losses due to sprouting, bleaching and lodging. There have been a few reports of geese starting to move in on swathed crops.

Producers are busy trying to combine and haul hay.

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

Another cool and damp week has held up harvest in most areas of the region. Some swathing and combining has occurred in between rain showers, and where less moisture was reported. Crops that were taken off in the last couple of weeks have been tough and damp and are being aerated and dried in storage. Thirty-four per cent of the crop is now combined, up from 29 per cent last week. The five-year (2013-2017) average of 53 per cent for this time of year.

Rainfall ranged from none (Spruce Home area) to 32 mm (Vonda area). The Nipawin area received 8 mm, the Humboldt area 20 mm, the Melfort area 27 mm, the Kinistino area 6

mm and the Prince Albert area 9 mm. The Nipawin area has received the most precipitation (417 mm) in the region since April 1.

Cropland topsoil moisture is currently rated as six per cent surplus, 81 per cent adequate and 13 per cent short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 90 per cent adequate and 10 per cent short.

Geese are starting to show up on swathed crops. The wet weather has caused bleaching, staining and sprouting in some crops. Grain dryers are running constantly to bring the crop moisture down for safe storage.

Producers are busy hauling hay and waiting for weather conditions to improve.

Northwestern Saskatchewan:

- Crop District 9AW – Shellbrook, North Battleford, Big River and Hafford areas
- Crop District 9B – Meadow Lake, Turtleford, Pierceland, Maidstone and Lloydminster areas

Cool, cloudy and wet weather has continued to slow harvest in the region, although some producers have been able to get out and do some harvesting. Crops that were harvested this past week were put into the bin tough and then dried. Twenty-seven per cent of the crop has been put in the bin, up from 17 per cent last week, but behind the five-year (2013-2017) average of 53 percent for this time of year.

Rainfall ranged from none (Barthel area) to 62 mm (North Battleford area). The Hafford area reported 4 mm, the Duck Lake area 15 mm, the Spiritwood area 29 mm, the Glaslyn area 20 mm and the Lloydminster area 5 mm. An extended break in the cool and wet weather is needed for harvest to continue.

Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as eight per cent surplus, 67 per cent adequate, 18 per cent short and seven per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as two per cent surplus, 67 per cent adequate, 24 per cent short and seven per cent very short.

Crop damage this past week is attributed mostly to cool and wet weather which has caused crops to lodge, making them difficult to pick up. Bleaching and staining are causing quality losses over the past few weeks. Geese are starting to move onto mature crops. Producers are waiting for some good weather to allow them to continue harvesting. A good week of sunny and dry weather will be needed before harvest can continue.

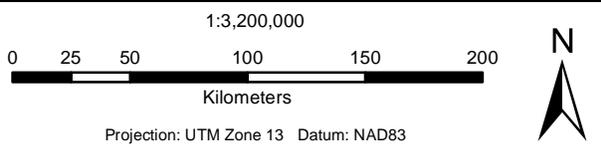
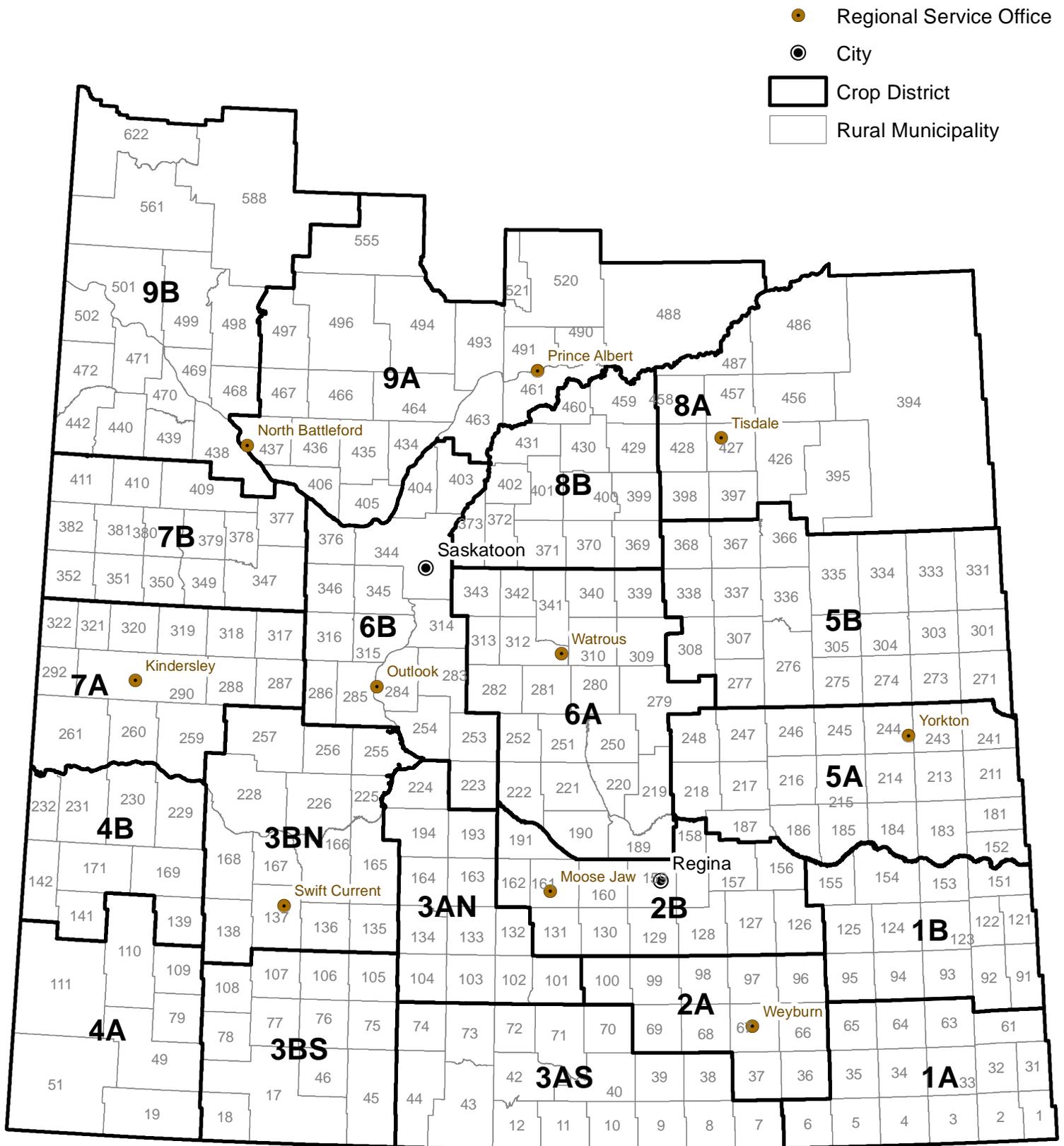
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*Other - crop that will not be harvested due to weather, insect or disease damage or will be greenfeed or silage

Winter Wheat	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	0	0	0	100	
southwest	0	0	4	96	
east central	0	0	0	100	
west central	0	0	0	100	
northeast	0	0	0	100	
northwest	0	0	0	100	
provincial	0	0	<1	99	
Fall Rye	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	% other (greenfeed/silage)
southeast	0	0	0	99	1
southwest	0	0	0	82	18
east central	0	0	0	100	0
west central	0	0	0	95	6
northeast	0	0	0	100	0
northwest	0	0	0	100	0
provincial	0	0	0	92	8
Spring Wheat	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	4	2	4	90	
southwest	7	2	10	81	
east central	9	11	16	64	
west central	15	5	35	45	
northeast	18	10	31	41	
northwest	37	10	28	25	
provincial	15	8	24	53	
Durum	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	1	2	2	95	
southwest	5	2	10	83	
east central	9	6	18	67	
west central	32	3	25	40	
northeast	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
provincial	8	1	9	82	
Barley	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	% other (greenfeed/silage)
southeast	1	2	1	94	2
southwest	3	0	3	89	5
east central	4	4	9	82	1
west central	18	4	15	59	4
northeast	7	9	19	65	0
northwest	30	17	12	38	3
provincial	9	8	10	71	2
Oats	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	% other (greenfeed/silage)
southeast	1	5	6	82	6
southwest	6	0	7	75	12
east central	14	15	12	57	2
west central	38	12	8	20	22
northeast	20	10	34	34	2
northwest	46	13	8	23	10
provincial	21	13	17	43	6
Canaryseed	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	23	3	17	57	
southwest	13	14	20	53	
east central	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
west central	68	0	7	25	
northeast	25	2	58	15	
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
provincial	35	3	26	36	

Flax	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined
southeast	33	9	20	38
southwest	46	0	17	37
east central	55	19	9	17
west central	66	9	10	15
northeast	87	8	2	3
northwest	66	8	15	11
provincial	51	9	12	28
Canola	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined
southeast	4	9	5	82
southwest	6	6	13	75
east central	6	35	13	46
west central	7	28	15	50
northeast	5	53	12	30
northwest	10	66	8	16
provincial	6	36	10	48
Mustard	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined
southeast	1	0	0	99
southwest	9	0	10	81
east central	36	13	14	37
west central	14	5	30	51
northeast	15	35	39	11
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
provincial	12	2	18	68
Soybeans	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined
southeast	51	0	14	35
southwest	45	0	20	35
east central	88	0	8	4
west central	84	0	12	4
northeast	55	0	35	10
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
provincial	63	0	12	25
Field Peas	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined
southeast	0	0	0	100
southwest	0	0	1	99
east central	0	0	1	99
west central	1	0	3	96
northeast	1	0	4	95
northwest	2	0	8	90
provincial	1	0	3	96
Lentils	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined
southeast	0	0	0	100
southwest	0	0	2	98
east central	2	0	8	90
west central	3	0	2	95
northeast	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
provincial	1	0	2	97
Chickpeas	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined
southeast	0	0	5	95
southwest	11	0	20	69
east central	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
west central	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
northeast	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
provincial	10	0	17	73

Crop Districts and Rural Municipalities in Saskatchewan

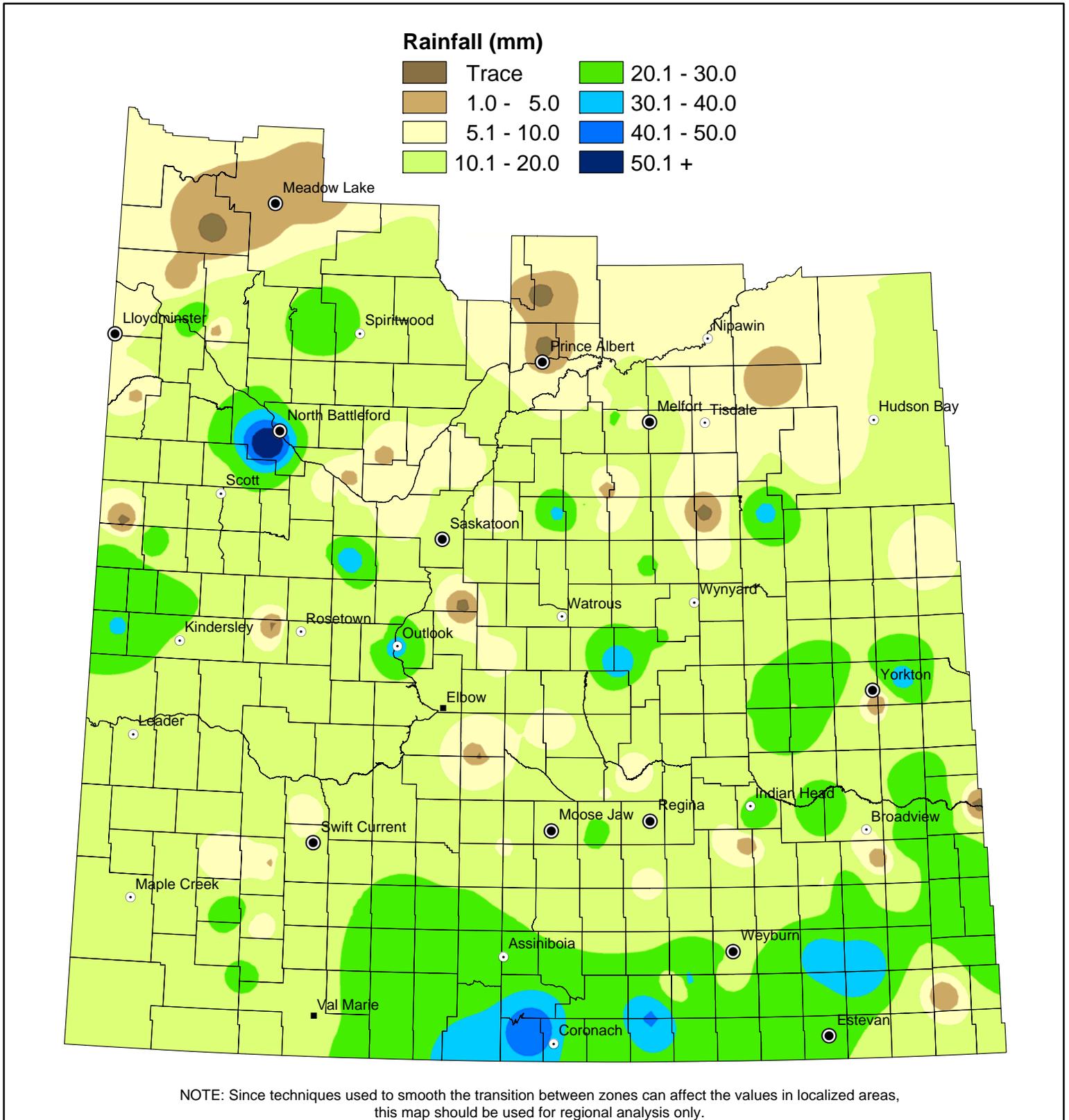


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Weekly Rainfall

from September 18 to September 24, 2018



Weekly Rainfall Summary

(in millimeters)

1 inch = 25 mm

for the period to Sept 18 to 24, 2018

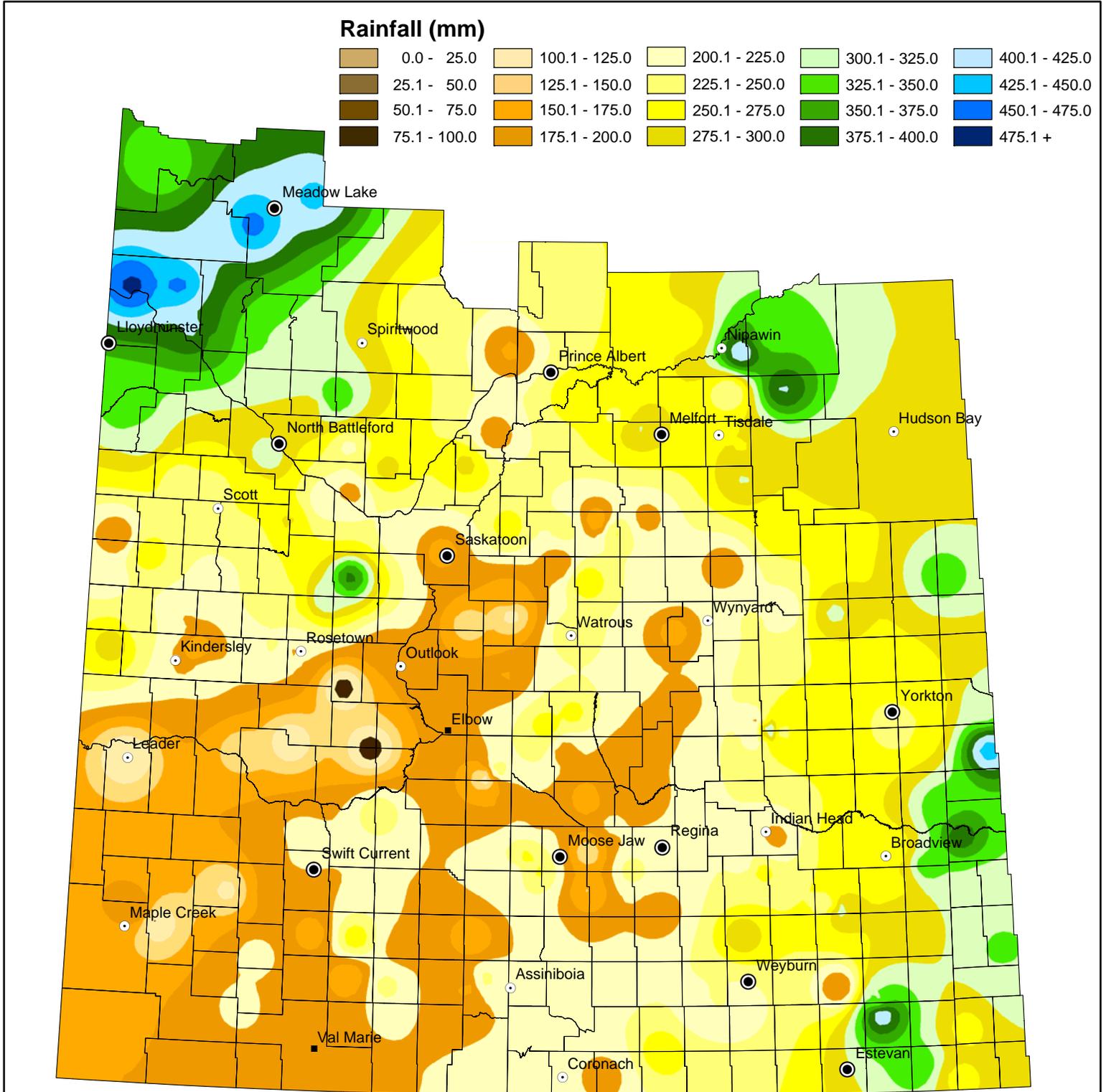
Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr	Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr	Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr	
1A	2	Mount Pleasant	10.8	268.8	4A	51	Reno	16	167.9	7A	287	St. Andrews	18	199	
	3	Enniskillen	18	344		79 A	Arlington	9.7	157.7		288	Pleasant Valley	NIL	227	
	32	Reciprocity	2	268		79 B	Arlington	5	236.9		290 A	Kindersley	13	214	
	34	Browning	N/A	419		109	Carmichael	26	125.3		290 B	Kindersley	17	152	
	61	Antler	27	313		110	Piapot	N/A	99		292	Milton	31	291	
	64	Brock	40	324		111	Maple Creek	N/A	101		317	Marriott	10	323	
	65	Tecumseh	34	175		4B	139 A	Gull Lake	5		120	318	Mountain View	17	246
	1B	91	Maryfield	27			331	139 B	Gull Lake		N/A	95	320 A	Oakdale	N/A
		94	Hazelwood	29.4		210.5	169	Pittville	N/A		62	320 B	Oakdale	25	211
		122	Martin	29		311	229	Miry Creek	8.1		230.8	321	Prairiedale	23	243
123		Silverwood	26	339	231	Happyland	10	102	7B	347	Biggar	15	252		
124		Kingsley	1.6	271.6	5A	152	Spy Hill	TR		283	350	Mariposa	14	212	
125 A		Chester	16	226		183	Fertile Belt	25		345.5	351	Progress	22	266	
125 B		Chester	8	315	211	Churchbridge	20	434		352	Heart's Hill	24	210		
151		Rocanville	25	391	213	Saltcoats	19	253		377	Glenside	6	201		
154 A		Elcapo	7	267	216	Tullymet	30	239.8		378	Rosemount	19	279		
154 B		Elcapo	N/A	256	217	Lipton	14	212		379	Reford	18	234		
155	Wolseley	26	264	241	Calder	14	312	382		Eye Hill	TR	176			
2A	67	Weyburn	18	206	243	Wallace	8	257		409 A	Buffalo	N/A	264		
	68	Brokenshell	23.5	229.5	244	Orkney	TR	230		409 B	Buffalo	18	235		
	96	Fillmore	N/A	77	245 A	Garry	26	222	410	Round Valley	N/A	242.4			
2B	97	Wellington	14	293.5	245 B	Garry	17	266	8A	395	Porcupine	5	292		
	127 A	Francis	1	259.5	245 C	Garry	27	276		397	Barrier Valley	5.2	301.4		
	127 B	Francis	6	218.8	246 A	Ituna Bon Accord	25	336		426	Bjorkdale	1	402		
	129	Bratt's Lake	7	180	246 B	Ituna Bon Accord	N/A	169		427	Tisdale	N/A	274.5		
	131	Baildon	14	149	247	Kellross	15	196		428	Star City	N/A	276		
	156 A	Indian Head	21.5	187.1	248	Touchwood	12	187		456	Arborfield	1	402		
	156 B	Indian Head	25.7	205.7	5B	273	Sliding Hills	32		300	457	Connaught	7	225	
	159	Sherwood	17	218		277	Emerald	16		225	486	Moose Range	N/A	342	
	160 A	Pense	14	132		305	Invermay	19		304	487	Nipawin	8	417	
	160 B	Pense	30	224.7		307	Elfros	20		226	8B	369	St. Peter	N/A	190
161	Moose Jaw	12	235	308 A		Big Quill	16	165	370 A	Humboldt		6	252		
162	Caron	12.5	254.8	308 B		Big Quill	21	174	370 B	Humboldt		20.3	153.8		
191	Marquis	N/A	196	331		Livingston	5	336	371	Bayne		32	235		
3ASE	38 A	Laurier	35	211.2		336	Sasman	20	209	372		Grant	6.6	260.8	
	38 B	Laurier	8.3	204.3		337	Lakeview	5	179	400		Three Lakes	3	214	
	39	The Gap	41	265		366	Kelvington	12	268	429 A		Flett's Springs	27	283	
3ASW	10	Happy Valley	20	193	367	Ponass Lake	TR	174.5	429 B	Flett's Springs		6	302		
	12	Poplar Valley	48	209	6A	190 A	Dufferin	14	193	459		Kinistino	6	241	
	43	Old Post	39	208		190 B	Dufferin	16	151	460		Birch Hills	5	259.4	
	73 A	Stonehenge	21	165.6		190 C	Dufferin	15	205	9AE	488	Torch River	9	267	
	73 B	Stonehenge	26	232		190 D	Dufferin	6	134		491	Buckland	NIL	30	
74	Wood River	25.3	186.1	219 A		Longlaketon	10	184.5	520		Paddockwood	TR	236		
3AN	102	Lake Johnston	20	206.6	219 B	Longlaketon	5	186	521	Lakeland	9	226			
	103	Sutton	21	153	220	McKillop	N/A	176	9AW	406 A	Mayfield	3	183		
	132 A	Hillsborough	8.5	214	221	Sarnia	5	189.8		406 B	Mayfield	N/A	73		
	132 B	Hillsborough	16	253	222	Craik	N/A	243		435	Redberry	4	284		
	193	Eyebrow	10	174	251	Big Arm	12.5	257		436	Douglas	14	220		
3BS	17	Val Marie	N/A	125.5	252	Arm River	N/A	269		463	Duck Lake	15	185		
	75	Pinto Creek	22.5	231.5	279	Mount Hope	38	203.4	466	Meeting Lake	N/A	327			
	76	Auvergne	N/A	155	282	McCraney	8	174.3	467 A	Round Hill	11	293			
	77	Wise Creek	N/A	193	312	Morris	20	247.5	467 B	Round Hill	N/A	352			
	78	Grassy Creek	17	204.8	313	Lost River	14	115	493	Shellbrook	10	171.4			
	105	Glenbain	20	188	339	Leroy	21	213.4	494	Canwood	N/A	232			
	106	Whiska Creek	20	265	340	Wolverine	16	270	497	Medstead	29	202.5			
	107	Lac Pelletier	N/A	165	341	Viscount	12	179	9B	438	Battle River	62	318		
	108	Bone Creek	7	208	343	Blucher	14	160		440	Hillsdale	17	311		
	3BN	138 A	Webb	2	184	6B	223 A	Huron		10	240	442	Manitou Lake	4.4	348.7
138 B		Webb	18	170.5	223 B		Huron	34		204	498 A	Parkdale	N/A	311	
165		Morse	10	240.9	284 A		Rudy	12.7		89.7	498 B	Parkdale	20	330	
166		Excelsior	N/A	74.3	284 B		Rudy	TR		112	499	Mervin	3.5	374	
167		Sask Landing	6	222.8	285		Fertile Valley	17.5		179	501 A	Frenchman Butte	3	454	
168 A		Riverside	14.5	187.5	286		Milden	10		90	501 B	Frenchman Butte	30	405	
168 B		Riverside	11	189.8	314		Dundurn	TR		135	501 C	Frenchman Butte	N/A	480	
226		Victory	N/A	89	344		Corman Park	5		204	502	Britannia	5.1	205.6	
228		Lacadena	16	137	345		Vanscoy	11	162	561	Loon Lake	NIL	403		
257		Monet	12	102.5	346		Perdue	36	381	588 A	Meadow Lake	2	429		
					376	Eagle Creek	11	225	588 B	Meadow Lake	2	457			
					403	Rosthern	6	281	622	Beaver River	N/A	335.6			

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

These precipitation amounts represent point locations within each municipality and do not necessarily reflect the whole R. M.

Cumulative Rainfall

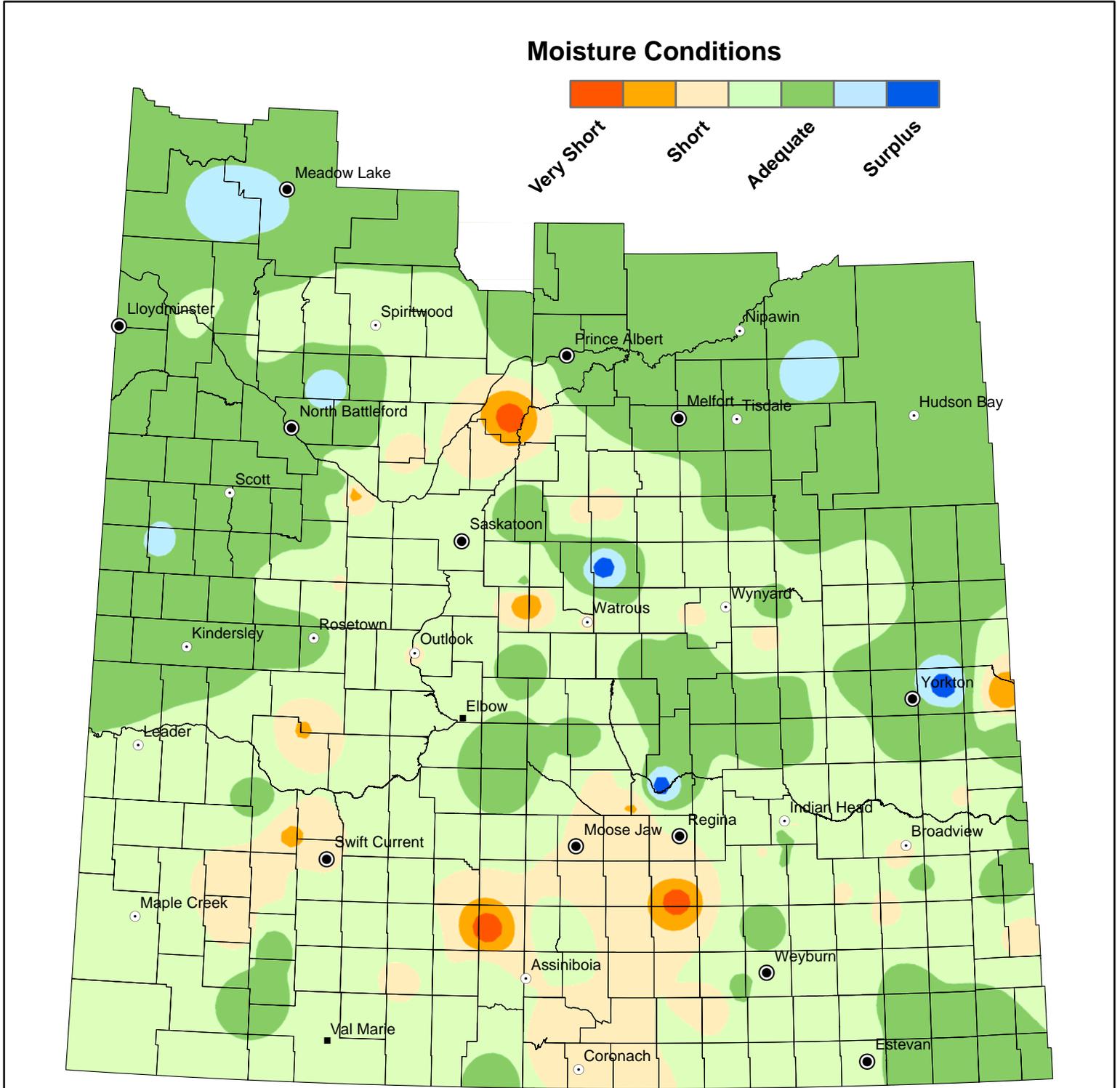
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Cropland Topsoil Moisture Conditions

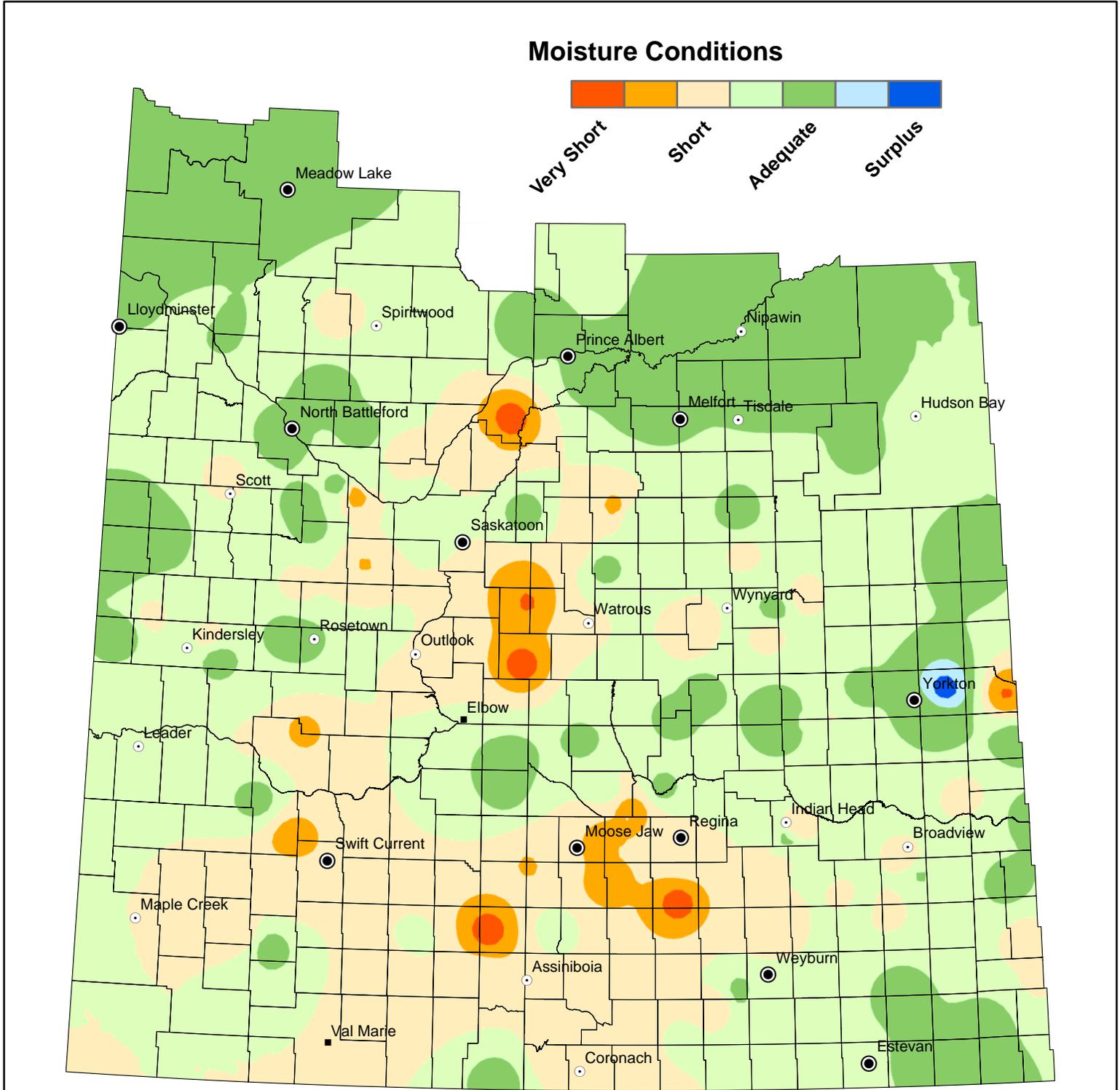
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Hay and Pasture Topsoil Moisture Conditions

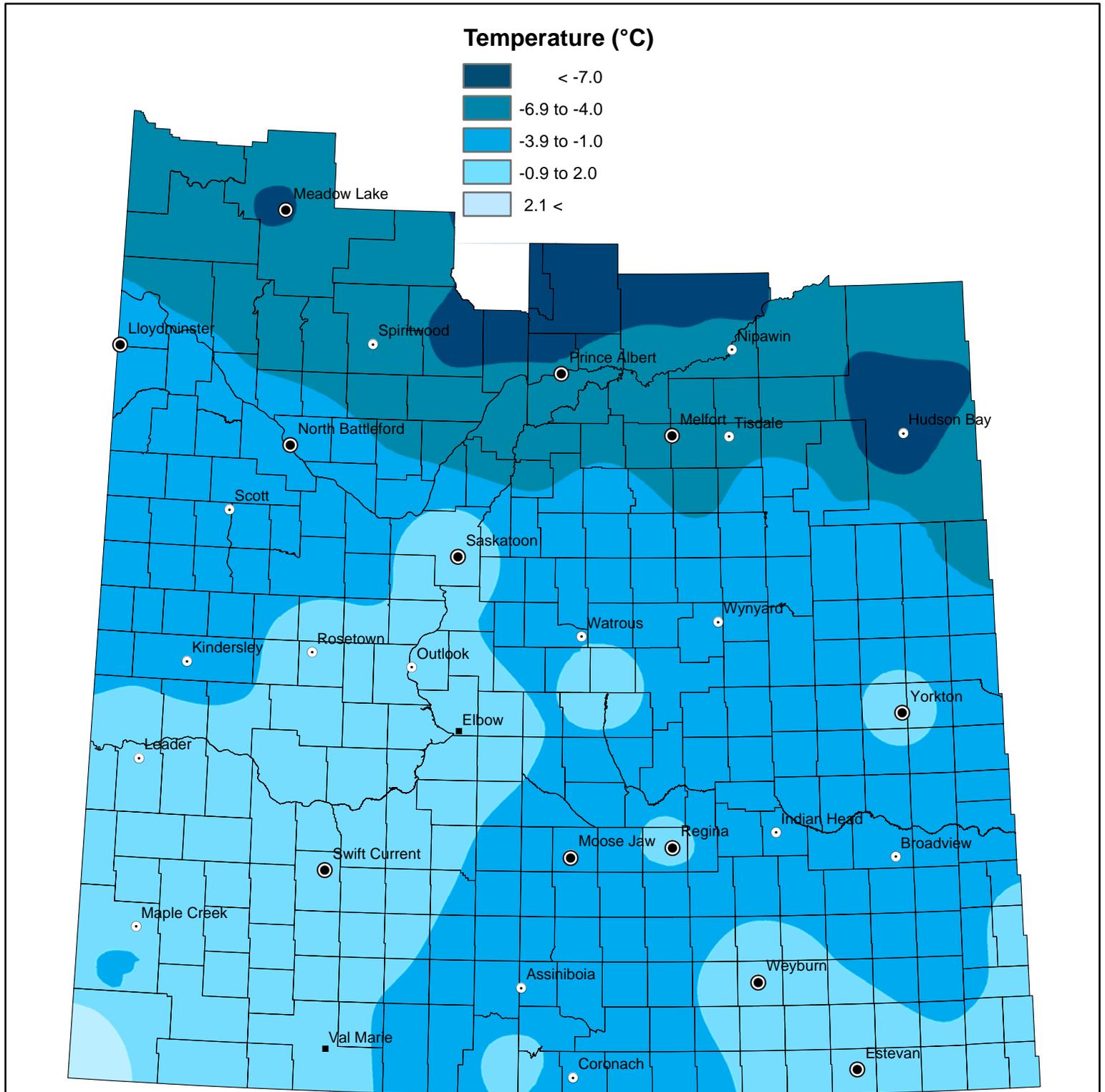
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Minimum Temperature

from September 18 to September 24, 2018



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