

Crop Report for the week of June 5, 2005

Seeding of the 2005 crop is now 93 per cent complete, just below the five-year average of 96 per cent, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food's weekly crop report.

Topsoil moisture conditions on crop land were rated as adequate by 71 per cent of crop reporters, and 80 per cent rated topsoil moisture conditions on hay and pasture land as adequate.

Heavy rainfall, particularly in eastern areas of the province, caused flooding and left surplus topsoil moisture. Seeding and weed control operations were halted in these areas.

Across the province, spring cereal development is rated normal by 57 per cent of reporters, with 41 per cent rating development as behind. Oilseed development is rated as normal by 51 per cent of reporters; pulse crops are rated as normal by 58 per cent of reporters; and fall cereal development is rated as normal by 72 per cent of reporters.

More than 80 per cent of all crops are rated in good to excellent condition.

During the past week, flooding caused the most crop damage. Other sources of crop damage included frost, wind, drought, hail, insects (flea beetles, cut worms, wire worms), disease (tan spot) and gophers. Spraying is underway as weather conditions allow.

Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Crop Report submission June 2005

Crop Insurance reminds customers of important June deadlines.

Saskatchewan Crop Insurance will not accept yield-loss liability for any spring crops seeded after June 20, with the exception of greenfeed. If your crop has failed to adequately establish or has suffered significant damage, contact your customer service office by June 20.

New for 2005, the deadline to seed greenfeed is June 30.

Seeded Acreage Reports are due June 25. Total acres seeded and carried-over grain information is necessary to calculate your 2005 coverage. Seeded acreage forms were mailed to customers at the end of May. Greenfeed seeded acres must be reported to Crop Insurance by July 5.

For deadlines through the crop year, review your 2005 Reference Guide or visit www.saskcropinsurance.com.

Seeding Progress in SK per cent seeded

	All Crops
June 5/05	93
5-year Avg. (2000-04)	96
June 6/04	90
Jun 8/03	98
Jun 2/02	92
June 3/01	99
June 4/00	99

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1 Year Ago

Farmers had seeded 90% of the 2004 crop.

Seeding around Oxbow, Bengough, and Assiniboia was less than 50% complete.

Many southeast regions reported surplus topsoil moisture, while west central regions continued to report shortages.

Sources of crop damage included flooding, insects, drought, wind, disease, and gophers.

South eastern Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 1, 2, & 3ase)

The past week was cool and cloudy in the southeast with precipitation amounts averaging 26 mm across the region. Rainfall amounts ranged from an average low of 5 mm in Crop District (CD) 3ase to an average high of 41 mm reported in CD 1b. The Redvers area reported 131 mm. Heavy downpours caused some flooding in CDs 1 and 2b. Wind damage to crops was reported in CD 1a.

Seeding progress is reported as 93% complete across the southeast. Seeding ranges from 98% complete in CDs 2a and 3ase, to 87% complete in CD 1a.

Areas of surplus moisture in the southeast increased substantially this past week with the heavier showers in some areas. Sixty-five per cent of reporters rate topsoil moisture on crop land as adequate with the balance rating moisture as surplus. On hay and pasture land, topsoil moisture conditions are rated adequate by 91% of reporters.

Spring cereal development is rated as normal by 45% of south eastern reporters and as behind by 48%. Oilseed development is rated as normal by 48% of reporters and as behind by 45%. Pulse crop development is rated as normal by 64% of reporters and as behind by 36%. Fall crops are rated as normal by 62% and as behind by 32%.

Crop reporters rated crops in good to excellent condition at the following percentages: Winter Wheat – 85%; Fall Rye – 91%; Spring Wheat – 88%; Durum – 91%; Oats – 91%; Barley – 93%; Triticale – 77%; Flax – 85%; Canola – 87%; Mustard – 92%; Sunflowers – 73%; Lentils – 88%; Peas – 90%; Canary seed – 86%; and Chickpeas – 96%.

The majority of the crop damage came from flooding during the past week. Flea beetles were reported in CDs 1a, 2b, and 3ase. Leaf diseases were reported in winter wheat in CD 1a.

Crop spraying and chemfallow are underway as weather conditions permit, though many farmers were shut down this past week. Weed growth is heavy. Some chemicals were in short supply in CD 1b. Farmers were also picking rocks and moving livestock to pastures.

South western Saskatchewan (CDs 3asw, 3an, 3b, & 4)

The past week saw a variety of weather conditions in the southwest. Some areas were cool and damp, while others were warm and dry. An average of 12 mm of precipitation was reported across the region, ranging from an average low of 3 mm in CD 3an to an average high of 22 mm reported in CD 4. Heavier downpours caused some flooding in CDs 3asw and 3b. Wind damage to crops was reported in CDs 3bn and 4a. Frost damage was reported in CD 4a, while drought damage was reported in CDs 3bs and 4a.

Seeding progress is reported as 98% complete across the southwest. All CDs report at least 97% complete. A good general rain is hoped for across the region. There was some re-seeding of canola and mustard in CD 3bn due to frost and early dryness. Some lentils were re-seeded due to cut worm damage.

Areas of adequate moisture in the southwest increased this past week with the rain showers in some areas. Ninety-five per cent of reporters rate topsoil moisture on crop land as adequate, up from 82% last week. On hay and pasture land, topsoil moisture conditions are rated

adequate by 66% of reporters and as short or very short by the rest.

Spring cereal development is rated as normal by 63% of south western reporters and as behind by 35%. Oilseed development is rated as normal by 60% of reporters and as behind by 40%. Pulse crop development is rated as normal by 68% of reporters and as behind by 30%. Fall crops are further advanced with 80% rated at normal development and 15% rated behind.

Crop reporters rated crops in good to excellent condition at the following percentages: Winter Wheat – 93%; Fall Rye – 66%; Spring Wheat – 89%; Durum – 90%; Oats – 83%; Barley – 91%; Triticale – 82%; Flax – 93%; Canola – 77%; Mustard – 82%; Sunflowers – 100%; Lentils – 84%; Peas – 88%; Canary seed – 80%; and Chickpeas – 87%.

The majority of the crop damage came from dry conditions during the past week. Damage from drought was reported in CDs 3bs and 4. Flea beetles were reported in CD 3asw and cutworms were reported in CD 3bn. Gophers are causing crop and pasture damage in CDs 3asw, 3b and 4a.

In-crop spraying has started. Farmers are also picking rocks and doing chemfallow.

East central Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 5 & 6a)

The east central region had a cloudy, wet week. An average of 34 mm was reported across the region, ranging from an average low of 17 mm in CD 6a to an average high of 49 mm reported in CD 5a. East of Wroxton, 103 mm was reported. Heavy downpours caused flooding across the region. Early damage estimates range from 5% to

20% loss. Hail damage was reported in localized areas across the region.

Seeding progress is reported as 90% complete across the east central region. All CDs report at least 85% complete. Crop plans are changing as it gets later.

Topsoil moisture deteriorated in the east central region during the past week. Forty-six per cent of reporters rated topsoil moisture on crop land as adequate, compared with 64% last week. Over 50% of reporters rate topsoil moisture as surplus. On hay and pasture land, topsoil moisture conditions are rated adequate by 71% of reporters and as surplus by 23%.

Spring cereal development is rated as normal by 50% of east central reporters and as behind by 50%. Oilseed development is rated as normal by 48% of reporters and as behind by 52%. Pulse crop development is rated as normal by 49% of reporters and as behind by 49%. Fall crops are further advanced with 74% rated at normal development and 26% rated behind normal.

Crop reporters rated crops in good to excellent condition at the following percentages: Winter Wheat – 83%; Fall Rye – 94%; Spring Wheat – 84%; Durum – 89%; Oats – 81%; Barley – 81%; Triticale – 100%; Flax – 76%; Canola – 75%; Mustard – 86%; Sunflowers – 100%; Lentils – 91%; Peas – 87%; Canary seed – 91%; and Chickpeas – 100%.

The majority of the crop damage came from flooding during the past week. Flea beetles were reported in CD 5.

Wet fields have put spraying on hold, and some farmers in CD 5 expect it to be at least a week before spraying or seeding can resume. In-crop spraying began in CD 6a as weed pressure is high.

West central Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 6b & 7)

The past week started off warm in the west central region and then turned cool and showery. An average of 30 mm of precipitation was reported, ranging from an average low of 27 mm in CDs 7b to an average high of 35 mm reported in CD 6b. Flooding and wind damage to crops were reported across the region. Frost damage was reported in CD 7b.

Seeding progress is reported as 97% complete across the west central region. All CDs report at least 96% complete. Farmers may summerfallow more land than they had expected to. Some re-seeding due to wire worm damage was done in CD 7a.

Topsoil moisture conditions deteriorated slightly in the west central region this past week. Ninety-two per cent of reporters rate topsoil moisture on crop land as adequate, down from 100% last week, with the balance rating moisture as surplus. On hay and pasture land, topsoil moisture conditions are rated adequate by 97% of reporters.

Spring cereal development is rated as normal by 63% of west central reporters and as behind by 37%. Oilseed development is rated as normal by 65% of reporters and as behind by 35%. Pulse crop development is rated as normal by 68% of reporters and as behind by 32%. Fall crops are further advanced with 74% rated at normal development and 19% rated behind normal.

Crop reporters rated crops in good to excellent condition at the following percentages: Winter Wheat – 94%; Fall Rye – 97%; Spring Wheat – 97%; Durum – 96%; Oats

– 98%; Barley – 95%; Triticale – 94%; Flax – 93%; Canola – 93%; Mustard – 96%; Sunflowers – 98%; Lentils – 92%; Peas – 96%; Canary seed – 88%; and Chickpeas – 92%.

The majority of the crop damage came from flooding during the past week. Flea beetles and cutworms were reported in CD 6b, and wire worms were reported in CD 7a. Tan spot in wheat was reported in CD 7b.

Some farmers were able to spray and roll pulses before the rains came. Weed growth is heavy.

North eastern Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 8 & 9ae)

The past week started sunny and then turned cloudy and rainy in the northeast. An average of 38 mm of precipitation was reported across the region, ranging from an average low 31 mm in CD 8a to an average high of 44 mm reported in CD 9ae. Flooding damage to crops was reported across the region.

Seeding progress is reported as 90% complete across the northeast. CD 9ae leads at 96% complete, while CD 8a reports 86% complete. Seeding intentions will have to change to shorter season crops if time permits. Drowned out acres may not be able to be re-seeded this season.

Topsoil moisture deteriorated in the northeast this past week. Twenty-seven per cent of reporters rate topsoil moisture on crop land as adequate, compared with 82% last week. The balance rated topsoil moisture on cropland as surplus. On hay and pasture land, topsoil moisture conditions are rated adequate by 73% of reporters, down from 91% last week. Again, the balance report surplus topsoil moisture conditions.

Spring cereal development is rated as normal by 65% of north

eastern reporters and as behind by 35%. Oilseed development is rated as normal by 46% of reporters and as behind by 54%. Pulse crop development is rated as normal by 58% of reporters and as behind by 42%. Fall crops are rated at normal development by 78% of reporters and behind by 22%.

Crop reporters rated crops in good to excellent condition at the following percentages: Winter Wheat – 88%; Fall Rye – 87%; Spring Wheat – 83%; Durum – 61%; Oats – 84%; Barley – 89%; Triticale – 100%; Flax – 75%; Canola – 87%; Mustard – 95%; Sunflowers – 100%; Lentils – 94%; Peas – 87%; and Canary seed – 81%.

The majority of the crop damage was caused by flooding during the past week. Flea beetles were reported in CDs 8b and 9ae. Tan spot was reported in CD 8b. Weed pressure is high.

There was some spraying done at the beginning of the week.

North western Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 9aw & 9b)

A warm start to the week turned cool and wet in the northwest. Showers brought an average of 17 mm of precipitation. Rainfall amounts ranged from an average low of 9 mm in CD 9b to an average high of 28 mm reported in CD 9aw. Localized flooding was reported across the region and wind damage was reported in CD 9b.

Seeding progress is reported as 90% complete across the northwest. CD is ahead at 92% complete, while CD 9b is 88% complete.

Topsoil moisture was rated as adequate by 82% of reporters, compared to 93% the previous week. The balance rate topsoil moisture on crop land as surplus. On hay and pasture land, topsoil moisture conditions are rated adequate by 93% of reporters.

Spring cereal development is rated as normal by 54% of north western reporters and as behind by 43%. Oilseed development is rated as normal by 44% of reporters and as behind by 52%. Pulse crop development is rated as normal by 52% of reporters and as behind by 44%. Fall crops are rated by 58% of reporters as normal development and by 8% as behind. Fall rye is starting to head out in CD 9b.

Crop reporters rated crops in good to excellent condition at the following percentages: Winter Wheat – 62%; Fall Rye – 97%; Spring Wheat – 91%; Durum – 100%; Oats – 89%; Barley – 92%; Triticale – 71%; Flax – 95%; Canola – 83%; Mustard – 100%; Lentils – 100%; Peas – 88%; Canary seed – 99%; and Chickpeas – 100%.

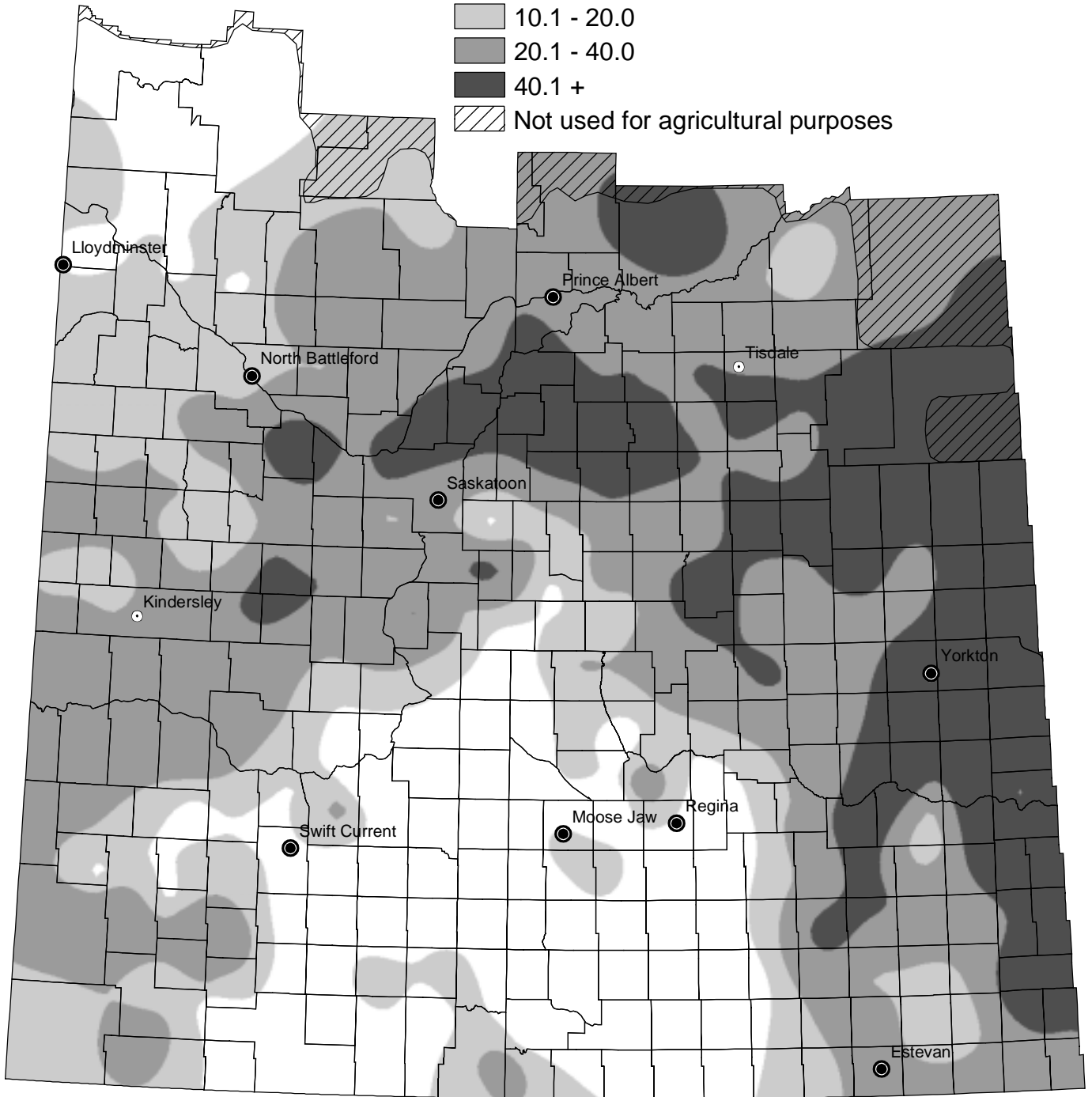
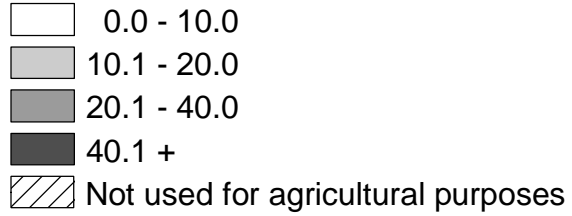
Spraying has started but was stopped by the wet weather. Localized shortages of fertilizer were reported in CD 9aw.

Seeding Progress by Crop District		
CD	June 5/05	June 6/04
1a	87	63
1b	90	76
2a	98	63
2b	94	86
3an	98	89
3ase	98	61
3asw	97	59
3bn	98	97
3bs	99	94
4a	100	97
4b	100	99
5a	88	89
5b	85	95
6a	96	95
6b	96	99
7a	99	99
7b	96	99
8a	86	98
8b	92	98
9ae	96	99
9aw	92	97
9b	88	94
Prov.	93	90

Weekly Rainfall

for the week ending June 4, 2005

Rainfall (mm)



Weekly Rainfall Summary

(in millimeters)

for the week ending June 4, 2005

Crop Municipality	Past	Since	Crop Municipality	Past	Since	Crop Municipality	Past	Since
Dist. No. Name	Week	April 1	Dist. No. Name	Week	April 1	Dist. No. Name	Week	April 1
1A 1 Argyle	33	86	228 A Lacadena	21	98	403 Rosthern	50	88
2 Mount Pleasant	29	105	228 B Lacadena	29	75	259 Snipe Lake	20	78
3 B Enniskillen	21	125	256 King George	12	92	260 Newcombe	38	73
31 Storthoaks	38	106	4A 19 Frontier	10	60	287 St. Andrews	45	130
32 Reciprocity	29	112	49 A White Valley	13	40	288 Pleasant Valley	43	152
33 A Moose Creek	23	106	49 B White Valley	27	87	290 Kindersley	20	65
33 B Moose Creek	14	74	51 Reno	13	45	292 Milton	22	77
34 Browning	16	87	79 Arlington	29	67	317 B Marriott	45	148
35 Benson	24	92	109 A Carmichael	10	91	317 C Marriott	26	99
61 Antler	131	144	109 B Carmichael	22	92	318 A Mountain View	25	95
63 A Moose Mountain	30	99	110 Piapot	35	113	318 B Mountain View	24	111
65 Tecumseh	20	80	111 A Maple Creek	36	86	319 Winslow	21	82
92 Walpole	41	85	111 B Maple Creek	20	114	320 Oakdale	21	74
94 Hazelwood	26	82	4B 139 Gull Lake	14	85	322 Antelope Park	12	48
95 Golden West	40	103	141 Big Stick	10	88	347 A Biggar	33	105
123 Silverwood	48	118	142 Enterprise	34	97	347 B Biggar	23	113
124 Kingsley	23	88	169 Pittville	8	55	350 A Mariposa	20	96
125 Chester	44	83	171 Fox Valley	19	82	350 B Mariposa	15	75
151 A Rocanville	65	118	229 Miry Creek	30	75	351 Progress	24	93
151 B Rocanville	73	123	231 Happyland	37	86	352 Heart's Hill	30	105
153 Willowdale	27	83	232 Deer Forks	35	87	377 A Glenside	51	137
154 Elcapo	13	65	5A 152 Spy Hill	40	73	377 B Glenside	51	130
155 Wolseley	52	143	181 Langenburg	73	104	378 A Rosemount	25	107
2A 36 Cymri	21	93	183 Fertile Belt	58	115	378 B Rosemount	35	114
68 Brokenshell	4	64	184 A Grayson	52	124	379 Reford	14	99
96 Fillmore	46	103	184 C Grayson	24	86	380 A Tramping Lake	17	74
97 Wellington	14	75	185 Mcleod	44	153	380 B Tramping Lake	20	103
2B 126 Montmartre	26	106	186 Abernethy	31	112	381 Grass Lake	24	109
127 Francis	21	94	187 North Qu'appelle	23	82	382 Eye Hill	15	132
128 Lajord	4	42	211 Churchbridge	80	124	409 Buffalo	30	108
129 Bratt's Lake	2	65	213 Saltcoats	49	108	8A 395 Porcupine	53	106
131 Baildon	14	89	214 Cana	48	129	397 Barrier Valley	46	116
156 A Indian Head	29	105	241 Calder	103	163	398 Pleasantdale	34	122
156 B Indian Head	21	97	243 Wallace	53	137	428 Star City	43	102
157 South Qu'appelle	13	150	245 B Garry	35	135	456 Arborfield	23	85
158 Edenwold	2	71	246 Ituna Bon Accord	28	135	457 A Connaught	26	77
161 Moose Jaw	11	66	247 Kellross	40	143	457 B Connaught	24	54
191 Marquis	8	71	5B 271 Cote	63	148	458 Willow Creek	25	78
3ASE 8 Lake Alma	7	72	276 Foam Lake	31	138	486 Moose Range	15	63
9 Surprise Valley	8	62	277 Emerald	31	128	487 Nipawin	23	63
38 A Laurier	8	87	303 Keys	47	106	8B 369 St. Peter	50	93
38 B Laurier	2	82	304 Buchanan	31	98	370 Humboldt	35	80
39 A The Gap	2	57	307 Elfros	35	129	371 Bayne	47	99
39 B The Gap	4	82	308 Big Quill	50	132	372 Grant	32	68
3ASW 10 Happy Valley	8	54	335 Hazel Dell	99	184	373 A Aberdeen	34	70
12 Poplar Valley	12	67	336 Sasman	43	123	373 B Aberdeen	26	26*
42 Willow Bunch	11	99	337 Lakeview	49	107	399 Lake Lenore	56	129
43 A Old Post	18	87	338 Lakeside	38	93	400 Three Lakes	50	93
43 B Old Post	27	79	366 A Kelvington	27	85	401 Hoodoo	62	115
44 Waverley	4	56	366 B Kelvington	42	111	402 Fish Creek	54	93
71 A Excel	1	77	367 Ponass Lake	83	145	429 A Flett's Springs	38	128
71 B Excel	2	64	368 Spalding	34	76	429 B Flett's Springs	39	94
71 C Excel	1	66	6A 189 Lumsden	27	83	430 Invergordon	42	92
73 A Stonehenge	20	66	190 A Dufferin	7	64	459 Kinistino	36	110
73 B Stonehenge	5	72	190 B Dufferin	11	50	9AE 461 Prince Albert	40	93
3AN 101 A Terrell	1	43	190 C Dufferin	5	57	488 Torch River	47	103
101 B Terrell	6	51	219 B Longlaketon	11	59	9AW 405 Great Bend	43	90
102 Lake Johnston	2	68	219 C Longlaketon	25	81	406 Mayfield	40	112
103 Sutton	NIL	79	220 Mckillop	7	59	435 Redberry	28	84
104 Gravelbourg	NIL	48	221 Sarnia	14	72	436 Douglas	20	91
132 Hillsborough	6	62	222 Craik	5	81	463 Duck Lake	40	96
193 Eyebrow	5	81	251 Big Arm	20	79	464 Leask	30	98
3BS 17 A Val Marie	NIL	48	252 Arm River	10	88	466 Meeting Lake	29	106
17 B Val Marie	8	41	279 A Mount Hope	24	81	467 Round Hill	20	109
45 Mankota	4	43	280 Wreford	13	68	493 Shellbrook	32	79
46 A Glen Mcpherson	2	53	282 Mccraney	8	94	494 Canwood	19	71
75 A Pinto Creek	17	43	310 Usborne	25	91	496 Spiritwood	23	83
75 B Pinto Creek	16	45	312 Morris	10	65	497 Medstead	21	83
76 A Auvergne	4	35	313 Lost River	36	59	555 Big River	19	162
76 B Auvergne	3	44	339 B Leroy	22	85	9B 438 B Battle River	16	98
77 Wise Creek	10	48	340 A Wolverine	23	72	468 A Meota	15	107
78 A Grassy Creek	24	72	340 B Wolverine	34	78	472 Wilton	14	120
78 B Grassy Creek	10	44	341 Viscount	23	62	498 A Parkdale	7	67
78 C Grassy Creek	21	68	343 Blucher	11	40	498 B Parkdale	14	78
105 Glenbain	TR	48	6B 254 Loreburn	18	90	499 Mervin	8	149
106 Whiska Creek	2	29	283 Rosedale	24	118	501 A Frenchman Butte	7	116
107 Lac Pelletier	4	47	284 Rudy	39	118	501 B Frenchman Butte	11	117
108 Bone Creek	29	95	285 Fertile Valley	35	108	501 C Frenchman Butte	16	89
3BN 135 Lawtonia	TR	42	286 Milden	23	78	502 Britannia	6	96
136 Coulee	3	70	314 Dundurn	44	133	561 Loon Lake	5	97
137 Swift Current	8	46	316 Harris	40	100	588 A Meadow Lake	6	77
138 Webb	13	81	344 Corman Park	42	92	588 B Meadow Lake	6	115
165 Morse	TR	41*	345 Vanscoy	20	73	588 C Meadow Lake	5	124
166 Excelsior	21	69	346 Perdue	32	105	588 D Meadow Lake	3	86
167 Sask. Landing	10	72	376 A Eagle Creek	33	109	622 Beaver River	TR	84
225 Canaan	3	60	376 B Eagle Creek	53	131			

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

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

Crop Districts and Rural Municipalities

