

For the Period August 22 to 28, 2017

Relatively warm and dry weather have allowed producers to continue with harvest operations, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's weekly Crop Report. Twenty-six per cent of the crop is now in the bin, well ahead of the five-year (2012-2016) average for this time of year of 16 per cent combined. Twenty-four per cent of the crop is swathed or ready to straight cut.

Harvest progress is most advanced in the southwest region where 49 per cent of the crop is now combined. The southeast region has 37 per cent combined, the west-central region 23 percent and the east-central region 14 per cent. The northeast region has four per cent while the northwest region has five per cent of the crop now in the bin.

Ninety-eight per cent of the fall rye and winter wheat, 76 per cent of the lentils, 74 per cent of the field peas, 42 per cent of mustard, 32 per cent of the durum, 26 per cent of barley, 21 per cent of triticale, 14 per cent of spring wheat and 10 per cent of the canola have now been combined. Eighteen per cent of the soybean, seven per cent of the oats and chickpea, two per cent of canary seed and one per cent of flax has been combined. Thirty-nine per cent of canola and twenty-five per cent of the spring wheat and mustard have been swathed or ready to straight cut.

Harvest Progress in SK Per cent Combined All Crops	
Aug 28/17	26
5 year avg. (2012-2016)	16
Aug 29/16	18
Aug 31/15	29
Sep 1/14	7
Aug 26/13	5
Aug 27/12	21
10 year avg. (2007-2016)	16

The majority of the province received little to no rainfall this past week, with the highest rainfall for the week (10 mm) reported in the Rama area. The Pierceland area still holds the highest amount of rainfall received in the province since April 1: t 543 mm.

With the warm temperatures and lack of rainfall this past week, topsoil moisture conditions continue to deteriorate. Across the province, topsoil moisture on cropland is rated as one per cent surplus, 26 per cent adequate, 44 per cent short and 29 per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as one per cent surplus, 20 per cent adequate, 37 per cent short and 42 per cent very short.

One year ago

Eighteen per cent of the crop was combined and 32 per cent was swathed or ready to straight-cut. High levels of disease were reported in all crops.

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Saskatchewan Harvest August 28, 2017 Per cent combined	
Winter wheat	98
Fall rye	98
Spring wheat	14
Durum	32
Oats	7
Barley	26
Canaryseed	2
Flax	1
Canola	10
Mustard	42
Soybeans	8
Lentils	76
Peas	74
Chickpeas	7

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The majority of crop damage this past week is attributed to lack of moisture, insects, and strong winds. Producers continue to scout for insects such as bertha armyworm in canola.

Producers are busy combining, desiccating crops and hauling bales and grain.

Saskatchewan Harvest Progress by Crop District August 28, 2017 Per cent combined

Crop District	% Combined	Crop District	% Combined	Crop District	% Combined	Crop District	% Combined
1A	33	3ASW	31	5A	10	8A	2
1B	23	3AN	46	5B	4	8B	6
2A	48	3BS	49	6A	27	9AE	4
2B	35	3BN	50	6B	23	9AW	8
3ASE	61	4A	53	7A	25	9B	2
		4B	63	7B	19		

Provincial Estimated Crop Yields - August 28, 2017

	Winter wheat	Fall rye	HRSW	Other wheat*	Durum	Oat	Barley	Canaryseed
Southeast	45	45	39	45	31	66	61	912
Southwest	24	24	27	31	29	43	44	817
East Central	50	44	38	48	32	75	61	1167
West Central	35	35	36	45	31	62	50	772
Northeast	-	-	44	-	45	85	64	1540
Northwest	59	58	41	50	-	82	56	-
Provincial	44	40	38	46	30	76	57	959
	Flax	Canola	Mustard	Soybean	Pea	Lentil	Chickpea	
Southeast	18	27	520	20	32	1144	850	
Southwest	13	24	683	10	23	1127	813	
East Central	22	30	825	27	54	1411	-	
West Central	22	30	1205	24	36	1651	800	
Northeast	30	38	-	33	41	1500	900	
Northwest	25	33	-	-	35	1184	-	
Provincial	19	31	753	20	32	1293	813	

* 'Other wheat' includes all wheat classes other than Hard Red Spring Wheat

** Crop yield predictions at this point in time. Please keep in mind these are regional averages, and yields can vary greatly across an area.

*** canaryseed, mustard, lentil and chickpea in lbs/ac. All other crops in bu/ac.

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

Harvest is progressing well in the region as producers now have 37 per cent of the crop in the bin, up from 23 per cent last week. This is at par with the five-year (2012-2016) average for this time of year for this region. An additional 30 per cent is swathed or ready to straight-cut.

Many areas reported small amounts of rain last week. The Moose Jaw area, which received the most, only got 5 mm. Alida remains the area with the most precipitation (199 mm) in the region since April 1.

Topsoil moisture conditions continue to deteriorate due to the warm and dry weather. Topsoil moisture on cropland is rated as 15 per cent adequate, 51 per cent short and 34 per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as six per cent adequate, 43 per cent short and 51 per cent very short. Crop District 3ASE is reporting that 100 per cent of cropland, hay land and pasture remains short to very short topsoil moisture at this time. Crop District 2A is reporting that 100 per cent of hay land and pasture remains short to very short topsoil moisture.

The majority of crop damage this past week is due to lack of moisture, strong winds and insects.

Producers are busy combining, swathing canola and hauling bales.

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

Harvest continues to progress quickly with the warm and dry weather. Forty-nine per cent of the crop is now in the bin, up from 30 per cent last week. This is well ahead of the five-year (2012-2016) average for this time of year of 31 per cent. An additional 12 per cent is swathed or ready to straight-cut.

The majority of the region received very little rain last week. The Glenbain area, which received the most, only reported 8 mm of rain. The Old Wives area, which received only 2 mm of rain last week, has received the most precipitation (178 mm) in the region since April 1.

Topsoil moisture remains low. On cropland, topsoil moisture is rated as 13 per cent adequate, 38 per cent short and 49 per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as three per cent adequate, 27 per cent short and 70 per cent very short. With the exception of Crop District 4B, all other crop districts in the region continue to report that at least 90 per cent of cropland, hay and pasture land is short to very short topsoil moisture at this time. Half of Crop District 4B is reporting 50 per cent adequate

moisture on cropland, but 100 per cent short to very short topsoil moisture conditions on hay land and pasture.

The majority of crop damage this past week is due to lack of moisture, strong winds and insects.

Producers are busy combining, swathing and clearing out bins.

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

Fourteen per cent of the crop is now in the bin, up from four per cent last week and ahead of the five-year (2012-2016) average for this time of year of eight per cent. Thirty-two per cent of the crop is swathed or ready to straight-cut.

The majority of the region received very little rain last week, with the Rama area reporting the most rainfall (10 mm) for both the region and the province. Despite receiving no rain last week, the Kelvington area still has the most precipitation (271 mm) in the region since April 1.

Topsoil moisture conditions continue to deteriorate. Across the region, topsoil moisture on cropland is rated as 26 per cent adequate, 43 per cent short and 31 per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 17 per cent adequate, 48 per cent short and 35 per cent very short. Crop District 6A is reporting that 93 per cent of the cropland and 95 per cent of the hay land and pasture are short to very short topsoil moisture at this time.

The majority of crop damage this past week is due to lack of moisture.

Producers are busy combining, swathing, hauling bales and clearing bins.

West-Central Saskatchewan:

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

Harvesting progress has doubled during the past week in the region as 22 per cent of the crop is now combined, well ahead of the five-year (2012-2016) average for this time of year of nine per cent. Twenty-eight per cent of the crop is now swathed or ready to straight-cut.

Negligible amounts of rain fell in the region last week. The Cando area reported receiving the most precipitation (264 mm) in the region since April 1.

Topsoil moisture on cropland is rated as 23 per cent adequate, 48 per cent short and 29 per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 20 per cent

adequate, 44 per cent short and 36 per cent very short. Crop District 7A is now reporting that 93 per cent of the cropland and 95 per cent of the hay land and pasture remain short to very short topsoil moisture at this time.

The majority of crop damage this past week is due to wind and lack of moisture.

Producers are busy combining, swathing and hauling bales.

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

Crops are quickly maturing in the region and fields are being swathed and desiccated. Four per cent of the crop is now in the bin, slightly behind the five-year (2012-2016) average for this time of year of five per cent. Thirteen per cent of the crop is now swathed or ready to straight-cut.

The majority of the region received little to no rain, although the Garrick area reported 6 mm. The Nipawin area has received the most precipitation (516 mm) in the region since April 1.

Across the region, topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as 51 per cent adequate and 49 per cent short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 44 per cent adequate, 51 per cent short and five per cent very short.

The majority of crop damage this past week is attributed to lack of moisture.

Producers are busy with harvest operations, hauling grain and baling second-cut hay.

Northwestern Saskatchewan:

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

Harvest is progressing well in the region as five per cent of the crop is now in the bin, right at par with the five-year (2012-2016) average for this time of year. An additional twenty-four per cent of the crop is swathed or ready to straight-cut.

Rainfall last week ranged from nil to small amounts, with the Meadow Lake area receiving the most precipitation (7 mm). The Pierceland area has received the most precipitation (543 mm) in both the region and the province since April 1.

Topsoil moisture conditions have slightly declined. Cropland topsoil moisture conditions are rated as five per cent surplus, 60 per cent adequate, 25 per cent short and 10 per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as five per cent surplus, 60 per cent adequate, 25 per cent short and 10 per cent very short.

The majority of crop damage this past week is attributed to wind, lack of moisture and insects such as bertha armyworms in canola.

Producers are busy with harvest operations, clearing bins and baling second-cut hay.

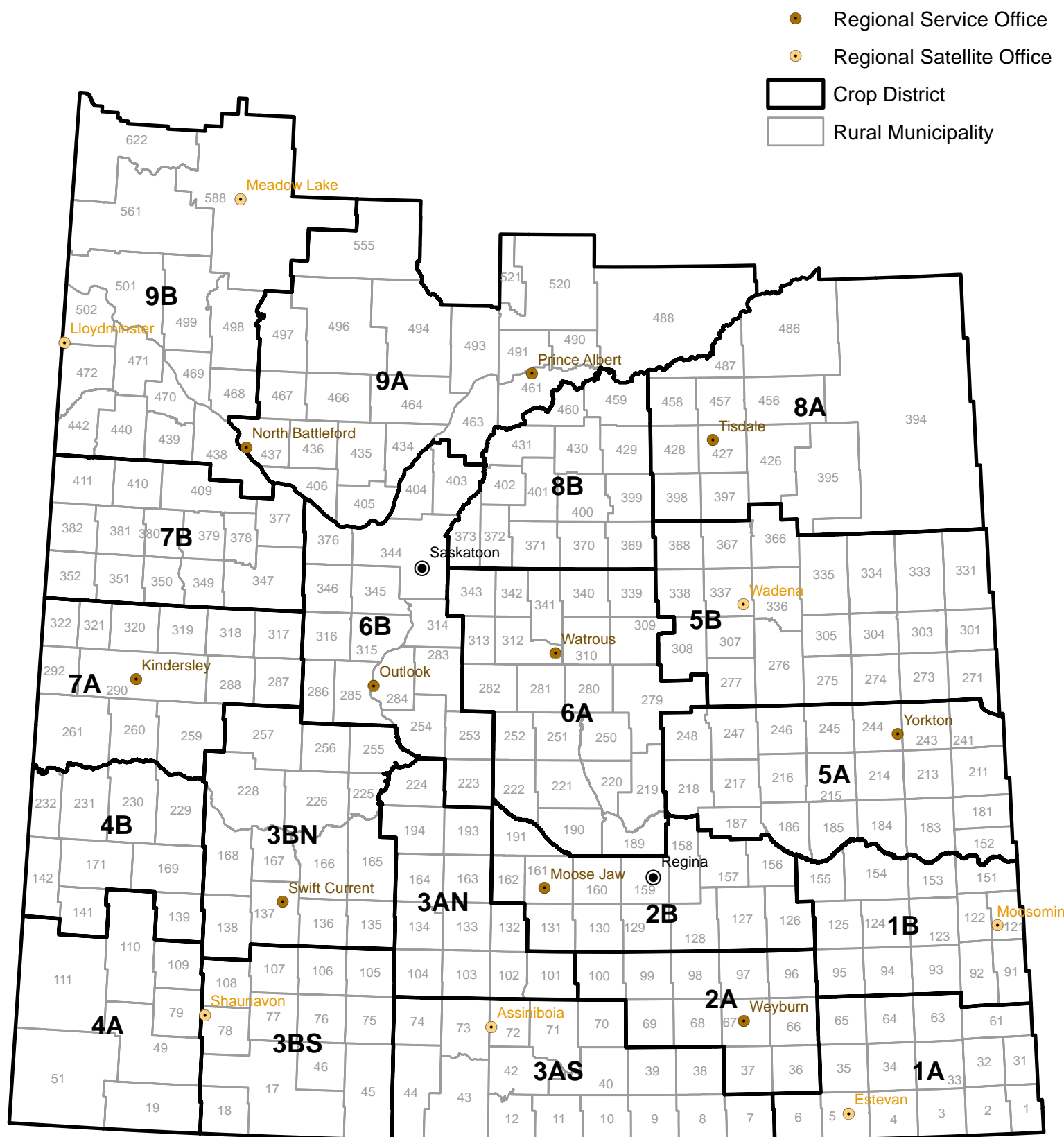
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*Other - crop that will not be harvested due to weather, insect or disease damage or will be greenfeed

Winter Wheat	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	0	1	0	99	
southwest	0	0	0	100	
east central	0	0	4	96	
west central	0	0	1	99	
northeast	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
provincial	0	1	1	98	
Fall Rye	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	% other (greenfeed/silage)
southeast	0	0	0	75	25
southwest	0	1	0	93	6
east central	0	0	0	100	0
west central	0	0	0	100	0
northeast	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
northwest	53	9	6	32	0
provincial	1	1	0	87	11
Spring Wheat	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	% other (greenfeed/silage)
southeast	29	12	22	36	1
southwest	62	3	10	25	0
east central	59	16	15	10	0
west central	62	11	17	10	0
northeast	84	9	4	3	0
northwest	80	3	14	3	0
provincial	61	10	15	14	0
Durum	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	37	7	14	42	
southwest	50	1	13	36	
east central	53	8	19	20	
west central	71	4	18	7	
northeast	60	12	23	5	
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
provincial	51	3	14	32	
Oats	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	% other (greenfeed/silage)
southeast	44	19	8	27	2
southwest	55	6	4	22	13
east central	78	14	2	5	1
west central	73	11	6	4	6
northeast	91	4	3	2	0
northwest	83	7	5	2	3
provincial	77	10	4	7	2
Barley	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	21	16	13	48	2
southwest	44	1	10	44	1
east central	46	17	13	24	0
west central	61	7	14	17	1
northeast	66	11	4	19	0
northwest	76	14	4	6	0
provincial	52	12	10	26	0
Canaryseed	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	87	9	0	4	
southwest	90	5	5	0	
east central	100	0	0	0	
west central	94	0	6	0	
northeast	94	3	3		
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
provincial	91	4	3	2	

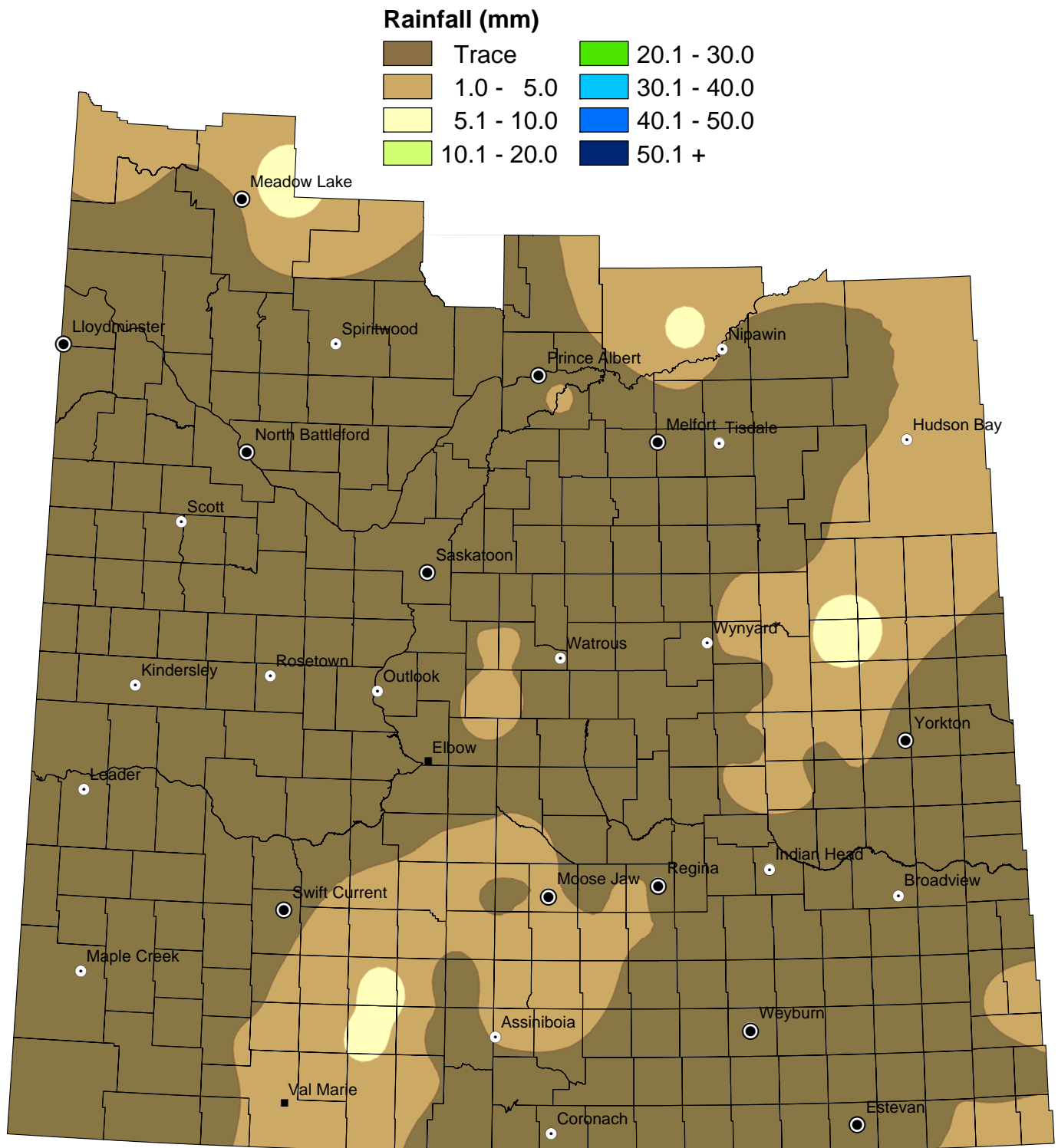
Flax	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	98	1	1	0	
southwest	95	0	4	1	
east central	93	2	4	1	
west central	96	0	3	1	
northeast	99	0	1	0	
northwest	100	0	0	0	
provincial	96	1	2	1	
Canola	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	23	48	10	19	
southwest	48	15	9	28	
east central	51	38	4	7	
west central	37	40	9	14	
northeast	85	13	1	1	
northwest	69	27	2	2	
provincial	51	33	6	10	
Mustard	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	18	24	0	58	
southwest	30	9	14	47	
east central	0	50	25	25	
west central	62	20	3	15	
northeast	50	30	10	10	
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
provincial	33	15	10	42	
Soybeans	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	90	0	0	10	
southwest	100	0	0	0	
east central	98	0	2	0	
west central	100	0	0	0	
northeast	100	0	0	0	
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
provincial	92	0	0	8	
Field Peas	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	1	1	0	98	
southwest	10	0	4	86	
east central	10	4	9	77	
west central	14	1	22	63	
northeast	54	1	14	31	
northwest	28	1	38	33	
provincial	13	1	12	74	
Lentils	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	12	0	1	87	
southwest	8	1	6	85	
east central	7	1	14	78	
west central	22	3	20	55	
northeast	0	2	60	38	
northwest	9	0	27	64	
provincial	13	1	10	76	
Chickpeas	% Standing	% in swath	% ready to straight combine	% combined	
southeast	95	0	0	5	
southwest	82	0	12	6	
east central	0	0	0	100	
west central	50	0	25	25	
northeast	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
northwest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
provincial	50	15	9	26	

Crop Districts and Rural Municipalities in Saskatchewan



Weekly Rainfall

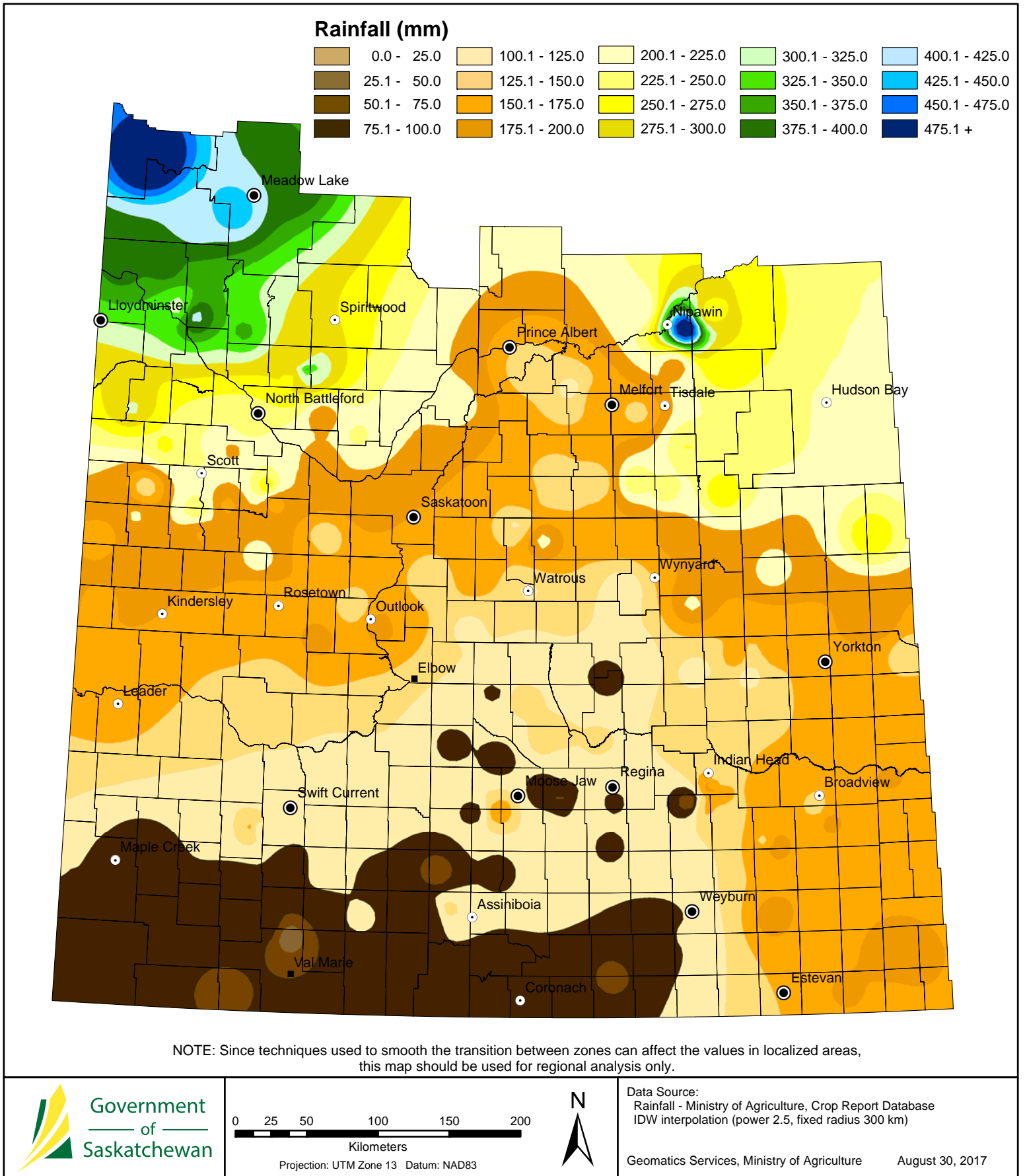
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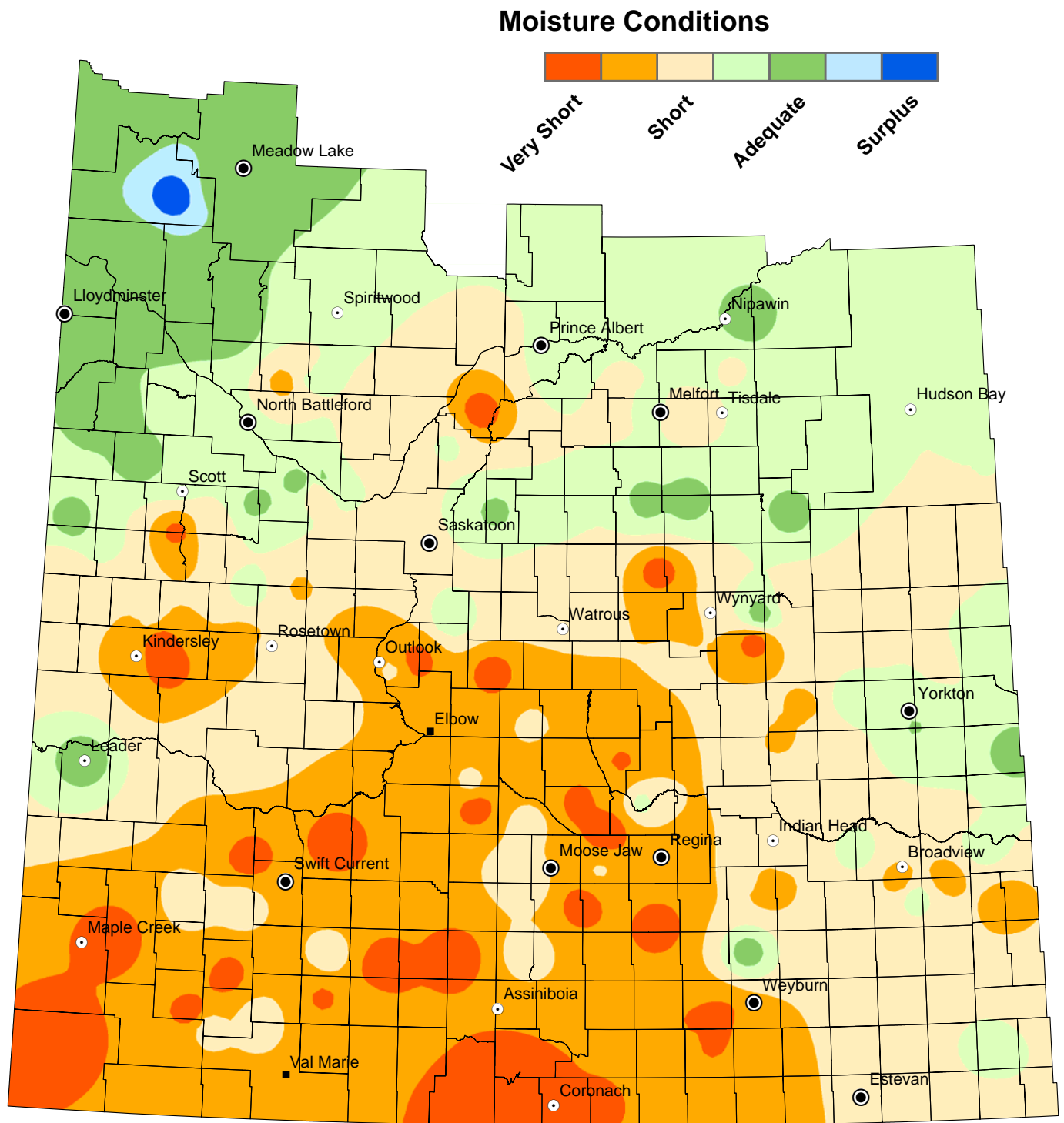
Cumulative Rainfall

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Cropland Topsoil Moisture Conditions

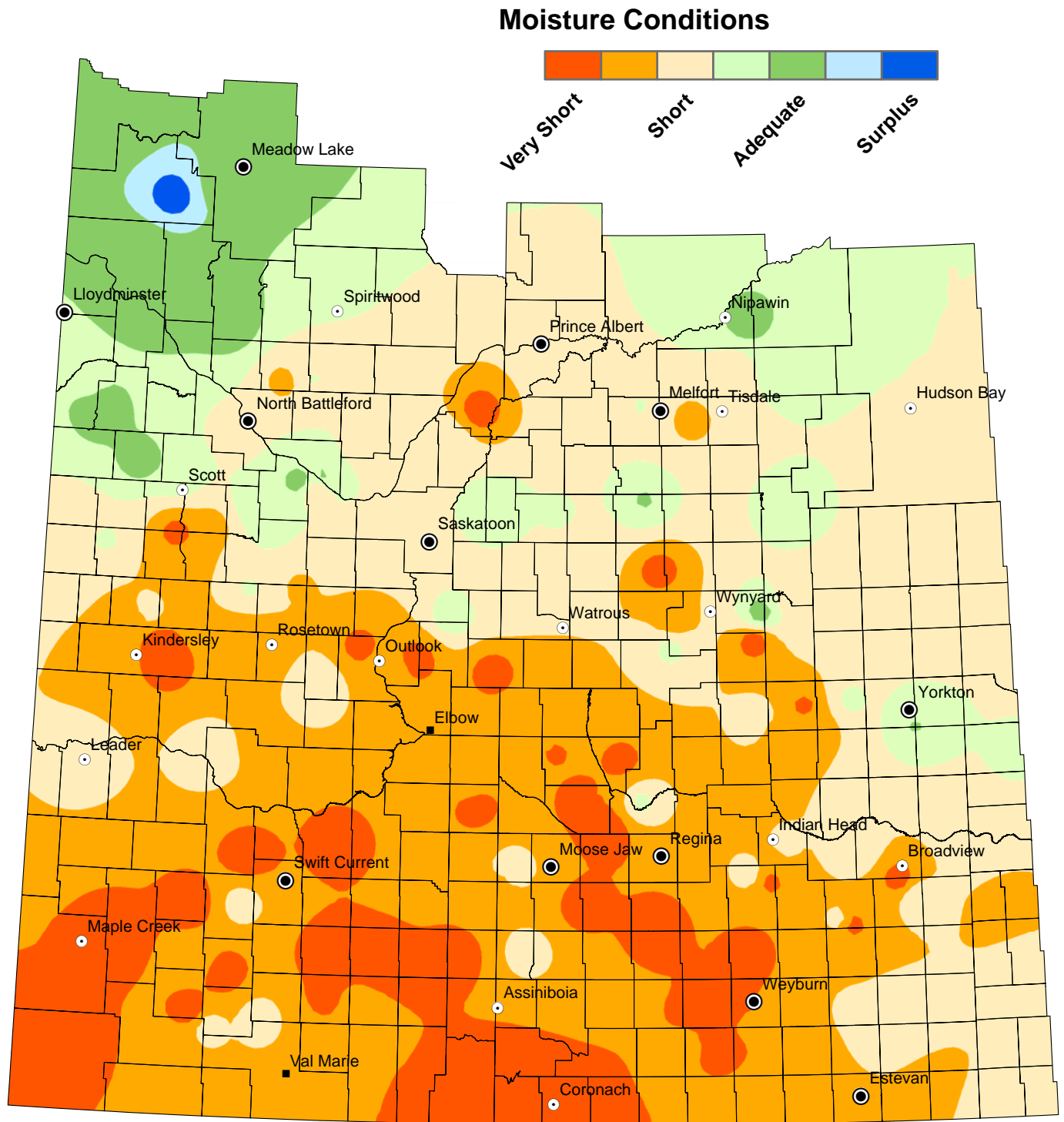
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Hay and Pasture Topsoil Moisture Conditions

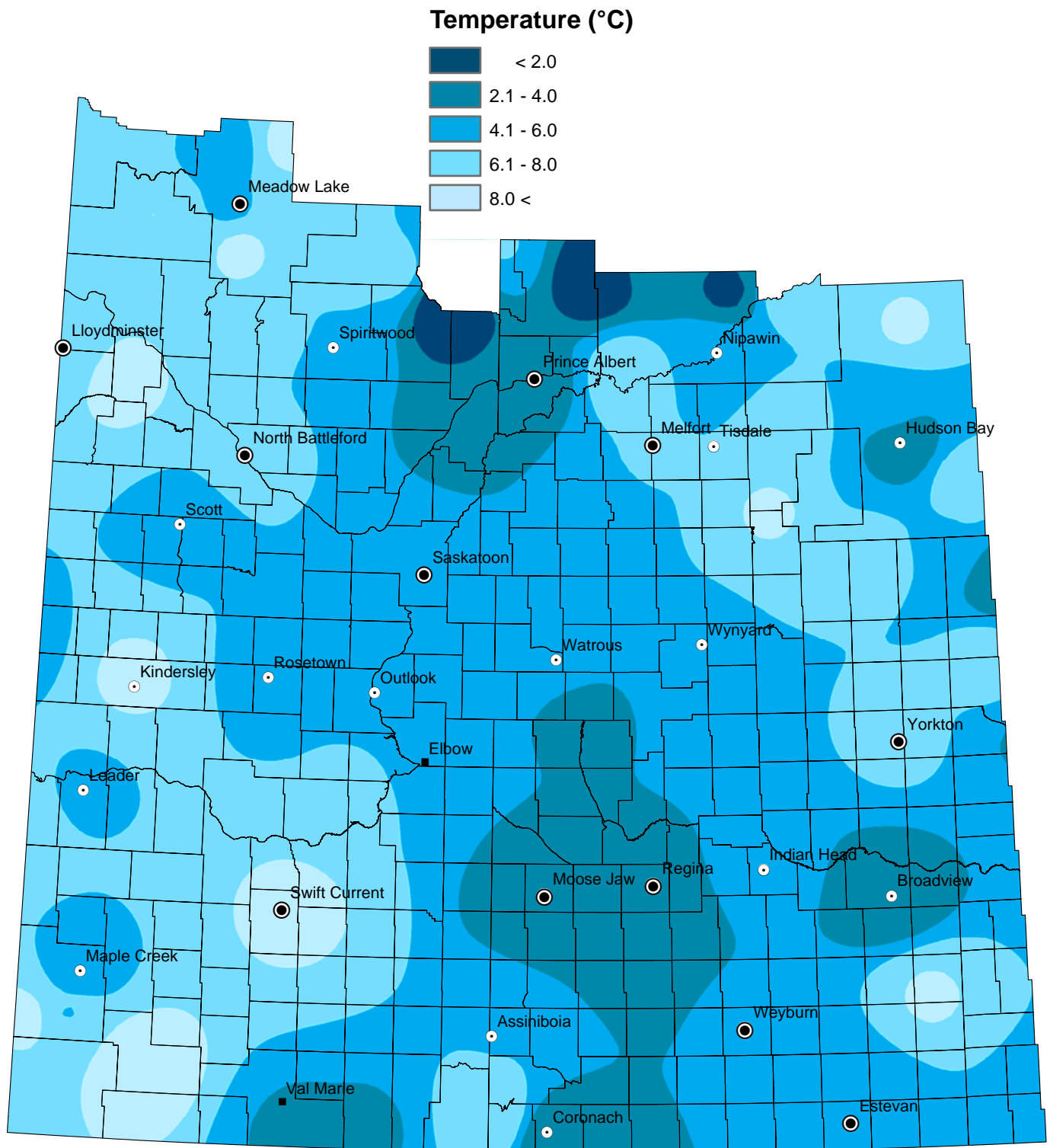
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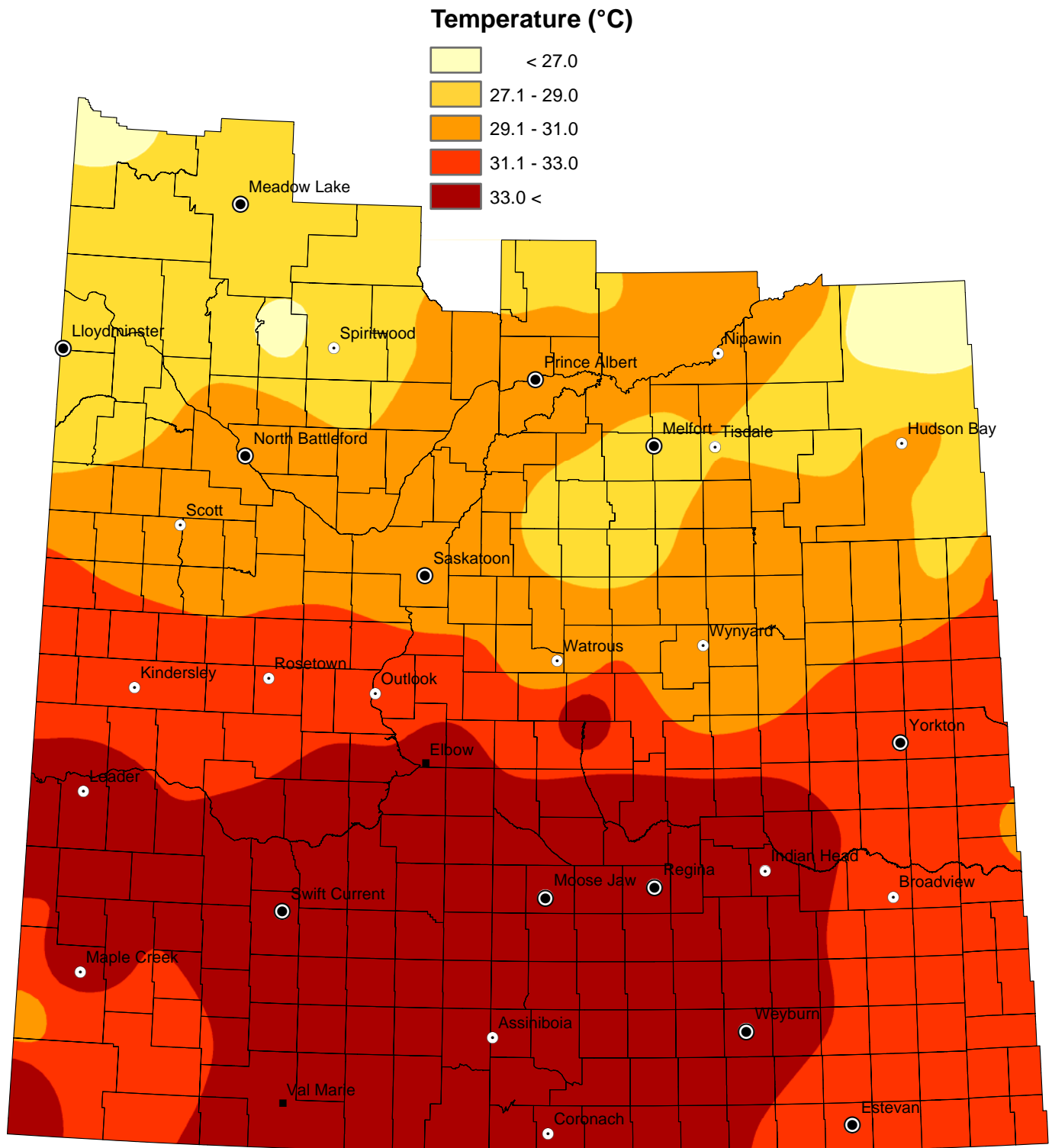
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