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This is the second of the 1966 series of eleven telegraphic reports, issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, covering crop conditions in the Prairie Provinces. A selected list of crop correspondents chosen from the Federal and Provincial Departments of Agriculture, private crop observers and grain men supply the information on which these reports are based. The weather data included in this release are furnished by the Meteorological Division, Department of Transport.

SUMMARY

Prairie Provinces Seeding is progressing rapidly in many parts of southern Alberta and south-central and central Saskatchewan and should soon become general in most other parts. Cool weather and wet fields are still delaying field operations in most of Manitoba, and seeding is not expected to be general until late next week. Although precipitation was light over the Prairie region this past week, most areas have sufficient soil moisture reserves to germinate the seed. Pasture growth is slow in all but some southern sections.

Manitoba Seeding, which had started in the southwestern part of Manitoba, was brought to a halt by the heavy snowfall at the end of April. Since that time, the land has dried out only slowly, though field work, which started again early this week, should become general over most of the province by the end of the week. With suitable weather, seeding should be well under way next week. To date, pasture growth has been very slow, but, in an effort to conserve fodder supplies that are dwindling very quickly, many cattle have already been placed on pasture.

Saskatchewan Cool temperatures have delayed seeding in Saskatchewan but operations are gradually gaining momentum and seeding is expected to be fairly general in many areas by the week end. Most activity so far has been in the south-central and central districts. For comparison purposes, the ten-year average date when seeding became general is May 10. Grass and weed growth is slow and there has been little opportunity to obtain a satisfactory weed kill.

Alberta Seeding is progressing rapidly in the southern part of Alberta and field operations have now become general in most other areas. In the southeastern part, over 60 per cent of the wheat and 40 percent of the coarse grains have been sown. Most of the sugar beets have been planted and a start has been made on canning crops and potatoes. Elsewhere in the province only a small amount of seeding has

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taken place. Moisture conditions for the province as a whole are generally excellent, with the ground at some points, including Bassano and Red Deer, being too wet to carry machinery. In other parts, including Hanna and Vermilion, moisture reserves are only fair. Pastures throughout southern and central Alberta show improved growth.

MANITOBA

In the southeastern part of the province at Vita, no field work has yet been done, and, even under ideal weather conditions, it will be at least ten days before such work can start. Pastures are showing only slow growth and feed supplies are extremely short. To the west around Altona seeding has started in a few scattered locations, although land work in this area is not expected to become general until the end of the week at the earliest. Around Morden drying has been delayed by the cool weather, and field work has only started on a few fields. In this area soil moisture conditions are good, and pastures are beginning to show growth. Livestock are generally in good condition with feed supplies remaining adequate.

To the east of Winnipeg in the region around Beauséjour the snow has now disappeared. However, at least ten days of good drying weather are required before field work can begin. Summerfallow fields are especially wet. Feed supplies are adequate, although so far there has been very little growth of forage crops. In the Selkirk area fields are drying rapidly and, although recent temperatures have been low, it is expected that field work should begin towards the end of the week. Pastures are only just starting to grow, with snow remaining on the edges of some fields. To the west, in the Stonewall district, cold weather and poor drying conditions continue to delay field work which should probably begin about the middle of next week. Pasture growth has been very slow. The very heavy snowfall at the end of April, together with the subsequent cool weather, has meant that no spring work has yet started in the Portage la Prairie district. With warmer weather, seeding should start in from four to six days' time.

Continued cool weather, which is reported from Brandon, has meant that the land is drying only slowly after the last snowfall. Although field work will get under way this week, it is expected that only a few fields will be sown at this time. Warm weather is urgently needed to encourage pasture growth. Mositure supplies are generally good, and this year there could be some increase in the amount of barley sown. Otherwise there is expected to be little change in the acreage devoted to the different crops. Last Friday several farmers in the Virden area were already on the land, and such work should become general this week. As yet little seeding has been carried out.

No land work has yet started in the Interlake area around Teulon. Hay supplies are adequate, and the recent snowfall should provide plenty of moisture for pastureland. With the advent of warm weather, land work will start at the end of the week. Farther north in the Arborg district sunny, windy weather over the last week dried out fields and, if such favourable conditions continue, field work should begin towards the end of this week. Pasture growth has been very slow, but feed supplies are adequate.

Ideal drying conditions, which prevailed in the Neepawa district last week, allowed farmers on the lighter soils to return to their field work. Although such favourable weather should allow field work to become general this week, warm weather is required in order to stimulate weed and pasture growth.

At Shoal Lake low temperatures and slow drying have meant that only limited field work has yet been done. Both weed and pasture growth are negligible. Seeding, which has occurred on some knolls and in the sandy soil to the west of Birtle, represents only about one per cent of the total crop. Cattle are losing weight, and are in only fair condition. Although gardening has begun, it is predicted that seeding will not become general until May 15 to 20. Seeding should become general this week around Russell where the grass is already starting to turn green.

In the northwest part of the province around Dauphin no land work has yet been done, but with good drying weather such work should start by the end of the week. With no pasture growth livestock are still on feed, and the hay supply is almost used up. The lakes and rivers in this area are at their highest level for several years. To the north a considerable amount of field work has begun in the area around Swan River. With continued favourable weather, seeding operations which will be under way in a day or two, should become general in about a week's time. Fall rye appears to have wintered fairly well. It is reported that there is a surplus of good quality fodder in this district.

The unweighted average precipitation since April 1 has totalled 36 per cent above normal, compared with 77 per cent above normal a week ago, 20 per cent below normal two weeks ago, and in contrast to 95 per cent above normal a year ago. The mean temperature for the week ending May 9, 1966 was 5.4 degrees below normal, compared with 17.4 degrees below normal a week ago, 6.0 degrees below normal two weeks ago, and 1.0 degree above normal for the week ending May 10, 1965.

SASKATCHEWAN

There has been no rain during the past week in the Willmar district. However, the weather remains very cool thus delaying the growth of weeds. Fall rye stands are very good and forage crops are turning green. Seeding is becoming general. Seeding is also general at Yellow Grass and soil moisture reserves are excellent, although some acreage has been flooded. Early-seeded fields are showing above ground and a period of calm, hot weather would facilitate wild oats spraying. Some 1.44 inches of rain and snow have been received since April 1.

The Experimental Farm at Indian Head reports that there has been no precipitation during the past week but the weather has remained cool and the drying of fields has been slow. Field work is getting under way but very little seed is in the ground. There has been no growth of weeds nor volunteer grain so far and warm, dry weather is required to promote growth and speed field operations. Growth has just started on hay and pasture lands and will provide grazing for cattle in another week. Generally, cattle continued to maintain good condition. Some field work has been done in the Fillmore area but seeding will not be general until later this week. Soil-moisture conditions are very good and indications are that a large acreage of stubble will be seeded. Native pastures have not turned green yet but tame pastures are providing limited grazing.

In the south-central part of the province at Big Beaver the first week in May was dry and windy. Some 25 per cent of the seeding has been done. Our correspondent estimates that 10 per cent more stubble will be seeded this year. Farmers are getting a good kill of weeds and early-sown grain is showing green.

Warm weather in the latter part of last week enabled farmers to start seeding in the Gravelbourg district and operations are now becoming general. Moisture conditions are very good and some stubble will be seeded this year. Weed growth has started and pastures are showing green.

The Experimental Farm at Swift Current in the southwest part of the province reports that warm weather with drying winds has dried fields rapidly. Seeding is general and good progress has been made. Moisture conditions are excellent but some soil drifting has occurred in sandy soil. However, damage to date has been light. Fall rye is now growing rapidly and pastures are quite green. Livestock are in good condition. Seeding is also general at Eastend and should be nearing completion in about one week's time, weather permitting. Native sod grass is showing good growth and community pastures are open. At Leader seeding is about three-quarters finished. Moisture reserves and the present weather is favourable for crop development. Pastures are green.

At Melville in the east-central part of the province seeding is just beginning. Pastures are developing slowly because of the below-normal temperatures. At Togo the land is wet and potholes are full. As a result very little land work has been done but with good weather seeding will be general about the middle of the month. Grass growth is slow and livestock are still on winter feed. A week of warm weather is badly needed. No field work has been done in the Sturgis area and the land is very wet. With some improvement in the weather field operations may be general by May 15. There has been no weed growth and pasture growth is slow.

Although snow and cool winds delayed weed germination, seeding in the Drake district of central Saskatchewan is now becoming general. Surface moisture is adequate for good germination but a considerable amount of low-lying acreage is under water. Livestock wintered well and should go out to pasture this week. Seeding has started at Craik. Although no precipitation was received during the past week, reserves in the soil are sufficient for germination. Our correspondent reports no indication of a change in wheat acreage to date. Field work is general in the Saskatoon area and seeding has started. Some dairy farmers are seeding oats before wheat. There has been very little weed growth yet because of below-normal temperatures and several windy days have caused light soil drifting on sandy soil. Pastures are showing green but there is little growth as yet.

Most farmers have started seeding in the Rosetown area of west-central Saskatchewan and some 70 per cent of the crop will be in the ground by this week end. There is plenty of moisture to germinate the seed. Some farmers have worked some summerfallow already. Pastures are turning green. The Experimental Farm at Scott reports that seeding is well under way. Moisture conditions are fair with subsoil reserves reasonably good. Soil drifting is limited to only a few small areas. Grass growth has been slow but the higher temperatures of the past few days are improving the situation. Livestock are in fair condition.

The Experimental Farm at Melfort in the northeast part of the province reports that field work is just getting under way after having been delayed by continued cold weather. Very few farmers have commenced seeding but this operation could be general by next week. Crested wheat and Russian wild rye grass are making good growth but development of other forage crops is very slow.

The unweighted average precipitation for the province since April 1 has been 4 per cent below normal compared with 20 per cent above normal a week ago, 25 per cent below normal two weeks ago, and 25 per cent above normal a year ago.

Mean temperature for the week ending May 9 was 3.5 degrees above normal in contrast to 16.7 degrees below normal a week ago, 5.4 degrees below normal two weeks ago, and 1.6 degrees above normal for the week ending May 10, 1965.

ALBERTA

In the southeastern part of Alberta around Manyberries early-seeded grain was reported to be above ground. There has been no apparent damage from zero weather in April. About 70 per cent of the wheat, 20 per cent of the oats, 20 per cent of the spring rye, and 70 per cent of the barley has been seeded. No rain has fallen in the area this past week. Pastures are only fair.

In the southwest of the province, seeding to grain is completed south and east of Lethbridge and is well started in other areas. Good grain stands are in prospect as a result of the early seeding. Seeding of sugar beets is 90 per cent completed. Canning peas, sweet corn and potato seeding is well under way. The planting of early potatoes has been completed although planting of beans has not started. Recent heavy rains will again cause delays to seeding. At Cardston all farm work is progressing favourably and seeding has commenced. Weather conditions are reported as ideal. The winter wheat crop looks very promising. Ample supplies of moisture are indicated. From Claresholm it is reported that farmers are busy on the land with about 10 per cent of the seeding completed. However, some farmers are delaying operations until the weeds germinate. Some increases to the acreage of wheat, oats and barley are expected although flax acreage will be decreased from last year. Grass and hay crops are progressing favourably. Weather conditions are good.

In south-central Alberta around Brooks, seeding is well under way with 30 per cent of the wheat and 40 per cent of the barley seeded up to the present. It is expected that there will be a 10 per cent increase in the acreage going to barley but a 15 per cent decrease in the acreage seeded to flax. The acreage sown to peas will be increased by about 12 per cent. Moisture conditions have been reported as good. At Vulcan only 20 per cent of the seeding is completed owing to excess moisture. Hay and pastures are making rapid growth as a result of heavy applications of fertilizer. Warm weather would be welcome

At Hanna, in the east-central part of the province, field work has been general this past week. About 5 per cent of the land has been seeded, mostly rye. Seeding is expected to be general by the end of this week. Grass has been reported coming on slowly on account of the cool, windy weather. There have been no reports of any soil drifting in the area. Around Calgary, warm, spring weather has prevailed for the past ten days. Cultivation is under way in most parts of the district and seeding is expected to become fairly general this week. Moisture reserves are reported as ample. To the north, at Olds, field work has started and some grain has been sown as a result of the good drying weather. Seeding should be well under way this week. Supplies of moisture are good.

In the northeastern part at Sedgewick moisture conditions are poor due to the strong, dry winds and rain is needed soon. Seeding is just getting underway but there has been some holdback by farmers waiting for weeds to germinate before beginning seeding operations. Pastures are in good condition but rain is badly needed. At Vermilion seeding is now general throughout the vicinity with 10 per cent of the wheat completed. It is reported that moisture on summerfallow is at 70 per cent of normal. All livestock wintered very well with farmers reporting a good supply of feed left over.

At Red Deer in the west-central part cultivation is in progress but seeding has been delayed due to wet fields. Seeding is expected to get under way next week. Moisture conditions are very good and warm, dry weather is needed. Growth in hay and pasture crops is advancing rapidly. At Eckville field work became general last week. About 2 per cent of the wheat, 86 per cent of the barley, 8 per cent of the oats, and 4 per cent of the rape has been seeded. Moisture conditions are excellent but pasture growth is very slow due to the cold, late spring.

In the northeastern part of the province, at Bonnyville, field operations are now in full swing. Forage crops are emerging slowly and some winterkilling is evident. Recent hot, dry winds are rapidly depleting surface moisture. Livestock wintered over very well and no serious shortage of feed was experienced. In the area around Colinton farm work has become general. Our correspondent expects acreages of wheat, oats and barley to increase by 5 per cent. A reduction in acreage is expected for flax and rapeseed, with rye remaining unchanged. Moisture conditions in the area are reported as only fair. However, the condition of pastures is good. No frost damage has been reported in the area.

In the Peace River area, around Beaverlodge, land cultivitation is well under way. About 20 per cent of the seeding has been completed. Soil conditions in the area are excellent. From Berwyn it is reported that field operations were general last week and a good start has been made in the seeding of crops. Weather conditions have been favourable but the topsoil is very dry in many areas. A cold, late spring prevented field work at Fort Vermilion until last week. Tillage operations have now become general and seeding is expected to progress rapidly this week. Forage crops show very little growth but surface moisture is reported to be adequate. Subsoil moisture reserves are low.

The unweighted average precipitation since April 1 has been 15 per cent below normal in contrast to 9 per cent above normal a week ago, unchanged at 15 per cent below normal two weeks ago, and 42 per cent below normal a year ago. Mean temperature for the week ending May 9, 1966 was 9.2 degrees above normal in contrast to 13.4 degrees below normal a week ago, 3.8 degrees below normal two weeks ago and 0.4 degree below normal for the week ending May 10, 1965.

Precipitation and Temperature Data, Prairie Provinces(1)

| | | Pre | Mean tem- perature | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|--|--------|
| Province and crop district | Station | Week ending 8 a.m. May 9, 1966 | Total since April l | Normal since April l | week ending 8 a.m. May 9 1966 Norma | |
| | | | inches | | | ees F. |
| A A A T T TO D A | | | | | 0.0 | |
| MANITOBA | Boissevain | nil | 1.82 | 1.40 | 45 | 46 |
| 1 | | nil | 1.80 | 1.40 | 47 | 48 |
| | Pierson Waskada | nil | 1.58 | 1.35 | 45 | 49 |
| 2 | | nil | 2.11 | 1.64 | 42 | 47 |
| 2 | Baldur | | 2.14 | | | 47 |
| 2 | Pilot Mound | nil | | 1.67 | 40 N B | |
| 3 | Altona | N.R. | 1.65(2) | 1.32 | N.R. | 48 |
| | Deerwood | nil | 3.04 | 1.64 | 41 | 49 |
| | Graysville | ni1 | 3.10 | 1.41 | 40 | 48 |
| | Gretna | trace | 2.23 | 1.52 | 42 | 48 |
| | Morden | nil | 1.83 | 1.72 | 41 | 49 |
| | Morris | nil | .88 | 1.34 | 44 | 48 |
| | Portage la Prairie | trace | 2.92 | 1.51 | 41 | 48 |
| | Roland | nil | 1.71 | 1.53 | 41 | 49 |
| 4 | Stonewall | nil | 2.09 | 1.53 | 38 | 48 |
| 5 | Emerson | n11 | 1.93 | 1.64 | 43 | 48 |
| | Steinbach | n 1 1 | .93 | 1.60 | 39 | 47 |
| | Winnipeg | trace | 1.95 | 1.59 | 40 | 47 |
| | Starbuck | nil | 2.44 | 1.54 | 40 | 48 |
| b | Seven Sisters Falls | | .79 | 1.78 | 40 | 46 |
| | Great Falls | nil | .59(2) | 1.18 | 40 | 46 |
| | Sprague | trace | 2.38 | 1.81 | 41 | 46 |
| 7 | Rivers | ni1 | 1.98 | 1.20 | 42 | 46 |
| | Virden | ni1 | 1.92 | 1.10 | 45 | 48 |
| 8 | Brandon | nil | 1.70 | 1.43 | 42 | 48 |
| | Cypress River | nil | 2.46 | 1.39 | 41 | 48 |
| 9 | Gladstone | nil | 1.62 | 1.44 | N.R. | 47 |
| 10 | Birtle | ni1 | 2.90 | 1.23 | 44 | 46 |
| | Rossburn | nil | 2.73 | 1.15 | 43 | 46 |
| | Russell | nil | 1.83 | .94 | 42 | 45 |
| 11 | Dauphin | nil | 1.62 | 1.44 | 41 | 47 |
| 12 | Arborg | nil | 1.44 | 1.40 | 42 | 45 |
| | Gimli | ni1 | 1.76 | 1.39 | 38 | 46 |
| | Steep Rock | trace | 2.13 | 1.42 | 38 | 44 |
| 13 | Swan River | nil | 1.58 | 1.22 | 42 | 46 |
| | The Pas | . 05 | .96 | 1.35 | 43 | 43 |
| 14 | Grass River | nil | 2.13 | 1.40 | 42 | 46 |
| MANT | TOBA AVERAGE | .001 | 1.95 | 1.43 | 41.6 | 47.0 |

- II Precipitation and Temperature Data, Prairie Provinces(1)

| | | Pre | Mean tem- perature | | | |
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| Province and crop distric | t Station | Week ending 8 a.m. | Normal since | week ending 8 a.m. May 9 | | |
| | | May 9, 1966 | April 1 | April 1 | 1966 | Normal |
| CACRATOMENAN | | | inches | | degr | ees F. |
| SASKATCHEWAN 1A | Carlyle | nil | .96 | 1.15 | 46 | 46 |
| IA | Estevan | trace | 1.40 | 1.30 | 51 | 49 |
| | 0xbow | nil | 1.67 | 1.05 | 47 | 47 |
| | Willmar | nil | 1.64 | .93 | N.R. | N.R. |
| 1B | Broadview | nil | 1.76 | 1.12 | 46 | 45 |
| LD | Moosomin | N.R. | 1.02(2) | 1.13 | N.R. | 47 |
| 2A | Yellow Grass | .05 | 1.43 | 1.17 | 50 | 47 |
| ZA | Weyburn | .02 | 1.34 | 1.16 | 51 | 47 |
| | Midale | nil | .69 | 1.08 | 51 | 48 |
| 2B | Moose Jaw | .12 | 2.33 | 1.19 | 51 | 49 |
| 2.0 | Regina | trace | 1.62 | 1.10 | 49 | 48 |
| | Francis | nil | .50 | 1.02 | 48 | 47 |
| | Qu'Appelle | nil | 1.44 | 1.10 | 51 | 47 |
| | Indian Head | nil | 1.38 | 1.12 | 47 | 47 |
| 245 | Ormiston | nil | . 29 | 1.26 | 53 | 48 |
| 3AS | | .06 | . 29 | 1.26 | 52 | 48 |
| | Cardross | .15 | 1.77 | 1.29 | 47 | 47 |
| 2 4 37 | Ceylon | .02 | 2.09 | 1.06 | 54 | 48 |
| 3AN | Chaplin | | | .96 | 53 | 48 |
| 275 | Gravelbourg | . 04 | 1.43 | | 56 | 48 |
| 3 B S | Shaunavon | nil | 1.79 1.60 | 1.15 | 55 | 47 |
| | Pambrun | trace | | 1.32 | N.R. | N.R. |
| | Climax | N.R. | N.R. 2.30 | 1.12 | 53 | 48 |
| | Aneroid | .02 | | | 53 | 48 |
| 2 7517 | Instow | . 13 | 1.06 | 1.11 | 54 | 47 |
| 3BN | Swift Current | .02 | 1.60 | 1.33 | 56 | 49 |
| | Pennant | trace | .90 | 1.26 | 53 | 47 |
| | Hodgeville | .05 | 1.16 | 1.32 | | |
| | Hughton | .14 | 1.52 | 1.08 | 54 | 48 |
| 4A | Maple Creek | nil | 1.36 | 1.24 | 57 | 49 |
| / 79 | Consul | nil | .92 | 1.08 | 55 57 | 47 |
| 4B | Abbey | trace | .97 | 1.20 | 57 | 49 |
| F" A | Leader | nil | 1.22 | 1.15 | | |
| 5A | Cupar | nil | 2.23 | 1.12 | 48 N. B | 47 N P |
| | Balcarres | nil | 1.45 | 1.22 | N.R. | N.R. |
| | Lipton | nil | 1.79 | 1.12 | 47 | 46 |
| | Melville | trace | 1.60 | 1.22 | 46 | 46 |
| | Yorkton | trace | . 99 | 1.18 | 44 | 46 |
| C D | Bangor | trace | 1.81 | 1.26 | 45 | 45 |
| 5B | Wynyard | . 05 | 1.39 | 1.32 | 47 N D | 44 |
| | Foam Lake | N.R. | 1.40(2) | 1.33 | N.R. | 46 |
| | Kuroki | nil | 1.88 | 1.34 | 43 | 44 |
| | Lintlaw | nil | 1.66 | 1.46 | 43 | 44 |
| | Kamsack | nil | .94 | 1.09 | 44 | 46 |
| 6A | Davidson | N.R. | .21(2) | 1.16 | N.R. | 47 |
| | Imperial | N.R. | .19(2) | 1.22 | N.R. | 47 |
| | Strasbourg | nil | 1.69 | 1.15 | 49 | 46 |

- III Precipitation and Temperature Data, Prairie Provinces(1)

| | 1.5 | 9904 | | Pre | cipitation | | | | n tem- ature |
|----------------------------|------|------------------|--------|--------|-------------|--------|---|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Province and crop district | | Station | 8 a | ending | Total since | Normal | | week ending 8 a.m. May 9 | |
| | | | ridy 9 | , 1966 | April 1 | April | Ţ | 1966 | Normal |
| SASKATCHEWAN - | | Concluded | 17 | 9 = 1 | inches | | | deg | rees F. |
| 6A | | Watrous | T | il- | 1.60 | 1.12 | | 49 | 47 |
| 6B | | Harris | | 11 | .50 | 1.13 | | 52 | 47 |
| | | Outlook | | il | . 32 | .82 | | 54 | 49 |
| | | Rosthern | | il | . 29 | 1.18 | | 50 | 48 |
| | | Saskatoon | | 11 | .67 | 1.23 | | 51 | 48 |
| | | Elbow | | 03 | . 36 | 1.06 | | 51 | 47 |
| | | Tugaske | | 10 | 1.19 | 1.17 | | 51 | 47 |
| | | Dundurn | | iil . | .96 | 1.05 | | 52 | 49 |
| 7A | | Alsask | | ace | .46 | 1.16 | | 56 | 49 |
| | | Kindersley | | 01 | . 56 | .91 | | 54 | 47 |
| | | Rosetown | | 13 | .70 | 1.16 | | 51 | 47 |
| 7B | | Macklin | r | 11 | .22 | 1.00 | | 54 | 47 |
| | | Denzil | n | 11 | .23 | 1.08 | | 54 | 47 |
| | | Scott | n | 11 | .22 | 1.16 | | 50 | 46 |
| | | Biggar | n | 111 | .70 | 1.01 | | 58 | 48 |
| 8A | | Hudson Bay | | 04 | 1.06 | 1.40 | | 42 | 44 |
| | | Prairie River | n | 111 | .85 | 1.58 | | 42 | 44 |
| 8B | | Humboldt | r | iil | . 84 | 1.12 | | 48 | 45 |
| | | Melfort | | 11 | .52 | 1.21 | | 45 | 45 |
| 9 A | | North Battleford | n | iil - | . 17 | 1.13 | | 53 | 47 |
| | | Victoire | n | ii1 | . 29 | 1.22 | | 49 | 44 |
| | | Prince Albert | n | iil . | . 47 | 1.45 | | 48 | 46 |
| | | Island Falls | | 03 | 1.30 | 1.17 | | 36 | 40 |
| 9B | | Waseca | n | 11 | . 36 | 1.27 | | 53 | 47 |
| | | St. Walburg | Ti. | if1 | .45 | 1.06 | | 52 | 44 |
| | SASK | ATCHEWAN AVERAGE | | 02 | 1.12 | 1.17 | | 50.3 | 46.8 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| ALBERTA | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | | Empress | r | ill | .22 | 1.06 | | 57 | 48 |
| | | Foremost | | il | 1.31 | 1.22 | | 57 | 51 |
| | | Hanna | n | 111 | .58 | 1.16 | | 55 | 47 |
| | | Manyberries | N. | R. | 1.69(2) | 1.28 | | N.R. | 49 |
| | | Medicine Hat | tr | ace | 1.55 | 1.32 | | 61 | 51 |
| | | Winnifred | | R. | N.R. | 1.52 | | N.R. | N.R. |
| 2 | | Brooks | 10 | il | 1.46 | 1.17 | | 57 | 49 |
| | | Drumheller | n | 111 | . 29 | 1.14 | | 59 | 48 |
| | | Gleichen | ri | iil | .81 | 1.56 | | 56 | 48 |
| | | Hays | n | il. | 1.82 | .98 | | 58 | 50 |
| | | Rainier | n | iil . | 1.71 | 1.22 | | 57 | 49 |
| | | Vauxhall | tr | ace | 2.36 | 1.01 | | 57 | 49 |
| | | Warner | N. | R. | N.R. | 1.30 | | N.R. | 49 |
| | | Raymond | | ace | 1.21 | 2.16 | | 58 | 49 |
| | | Lethbridge | | 02 | 1.67 | 1.81 | | 58 | 49 |
| | | Trochu Equity | | 11 | .82 | 1.76 | | 56 | 49 |



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| | | | Precipitation | | | | | Mean tem- perature | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------|-----------------|------|--------------------------------|--|
| Province and crop district Statio | | Station | | Week ending 8 a.m. | Total | Normal since | 8 | week ending 8 a.m. May 9 | |
| | | | | May 9, 1966 | April l | April 1 | 1966 | Norma | |
| ALBERTA | - Conc | luded | | | inches | | deg | rees F. | |
| 2 | | Vulcan | | .03 | 2.35 | 1.66 | 55 | N.R. | |
| 3 | | Calgary | | . 24 | 1.92 | 1.83 | 53 | 45 | |
| | | Cardston | | .11 | 2.24 | 1.91 | 57 | 47 | |
| | | Pincher Creek | | .01 | 1.62 | 2.36 | 56 | 46 | |
| | | Fort MacLeod | | . 04 | 1.16 | 1.74 | 56 | 49 | |
| | | High River | | . 26 | 1.55 | 2.33 | 53 | 44 | |
| | | Magrath | | nil | 1.27 | 2.23 | 56 | 49 | |
| | | Olds | | .01 | 1.91 | 1.57 | 52 | 46 | |
| 4 | | Alliance | | nil | .59 | 1.16 | 56 | 47 | |
| | | Coronation | | trace | .70 | 1.25 | 56 | 47 | |
| | | Hughenden | | nil | . 37 | 1.23 | 54 | 47 | |
| | | Lloydminster | | nil | trace | 1.10 | 55 | 47 | |
| | | Stettler | | trace | . 25 | 1.10 | 57 | 47 | |
| | | Vegreville | | nil . | .11 | .94 | 56 | 47 | |
| | | Ranfurly | | nil | .31 | 1.29 | 56 | 47 | |
| | | Vermilion | | nil | .42 | 1.12 | 55 | 47 | |
| 5 | | Edmonton | | nil - | .76 | 1.48 | 56 | 48 | |
| | | Lacombe | | nil | .70 | 1.78 | 57 | 46 | |
| | | Red Deer | | .05 | 1.14 | 1.49 | 56 | 46 | |
| | | Rocky Mountain | House | | 1.83 | 1.96 | 55 | 45 | |
| | | Wetaskiwin | | nil | .55 | 1.76 | 57 | 47 | |
| 6 | | Athabasca | | nil | 1.95 | 1.10 | 45 | 45 | |
| | | Campsie | | nil | 1.18 | 1.35 | 55 | 46 | |
| | | Edson | | nil | .94 | 1.47 | 57 | 44 | |
| | | Elk Point | | nil | .99 | 1.14 | 54 | 45 | |
| | | Lac la Biche | | ni1 | .85 | 1.33 | 55 | 45 | |
| | | Smith | | nil | .51 | 1.30 | 54 | 45 | |
| | | Whitecourt | | nil | 1.99 | 1.62 | 55 | 44 | |
| 7 | | Beaverlodge | | ni1 | 1.73 | 1.15 | 57 | 45 | |
| | | Fairview | | nil | 1.59 | 1.21 | 59 | 45 | |
| | | Ft. Vermilion | | trace | 2.44 | .81 | 56 | 43 | |
| | | Grande Prairie | | nil | 1.69 | 1.02 | 59 | 45 | |
| | | High Prairie | | N.R. | .20(2) | 1.25 | N.R. | | |
| | | Peace River | | nil | 1.59 | .82 | 58 | 44 | |
| | | Rycroft | | nil | 1.25 | 1.08 | 58 | 45 | |
| | | Wagner | | nil | .91 | 1.17 | 54 | 44 | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | ALBEI | RTA AVERAGE | | .02 | 1.19 | 1.40 | 56.0 | 46.8 | |

N.R. - No report.

⁽¹⁾ Source: Meteorological Service of Canada.

⁽²⁾ Incomplete; not included in average.