

PRAIRIE WIND TRAJECTORY AND CEREAL RUST RISK REPORT for May 20-26, 2025

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Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) and Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) have been working together to study the potential of trajectories for monitoring insect movements since the late 1990s. Trajectory models are used to deliver an early-warning system for the origin and destination of migratory invasive species, such as diamondback moth. In addition, plant pathologists have shown that trajectories can assist with the prediction of plant disease infestations and are also beginning to utilize these same data. We receive two types of model output from ECCC: reverse trajectories and forward trajectories.

'Reverse trajectories' (RT) refer to air currents that are tracked back in time from specified Canadian locations over a five-day period prior to their arrival date. Of particular interest are those trajectories that, prior to their arrival in Canada, originated over northwestern and southern USA and Mexico, anywhere diamondback moth populations overwinter and adults are actively migrating. If diamondback adults are present in the air currents that originate from these southern locations, the moths may be deposited on the Prairies at sites along the trajectory, depending on the local weather conditions at the time that the trajectories pass over our area (e.g. rain showers, etc.). Reverse trajectories are the best available estimate of the "true" 3D wind fields at a specific point. They are based on observations, satellite and radiosonde data.

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1. RUST DEVELOPMENT IN SOURCE LOCATIONS

a. Pacific Northwest (PNW)

- i. Dr. Chen's most recent update on May 21, 2025 indicates that stripe rust has further developed in the PNW and this is likely due to rainfall and cooler temperatures over the last few weeks (<https://striperust.wsu.edu/2025/05/21/stripe-rust-update-may-21-2025/> and [Stripe rust update 05/21: Disease has been developing in Washington | WAWG](#)). Unfortunately, weather conditions are forecast to continue to be favourable for stripe rust over the next couple of weeks. Stripe rust was noted in commercial fields as well as research trials/fields, but generally at low incidence levels. Symptoms of stripe rust were also noted on barley in a disease nursery site at Central Ferry station (Garfield County). With current and forecast weather conditions, Dr. Chen's recommendation is for fungicide application before flowering on susceptible to moderately susceptible winter wheat varieties, and herbicide timings for spring wheat. Moreover, he recommends continued scouting of previously sprayed fields where applications were done at least three weeks previously, as the rust pathogen may resume growth and sporulation. Previously, Dr. Chen reported that in addition to Washington State and Oregon, rust symptoms were also reported in Georgia (Dr. A. Martinez, UGA, stripe rust of wheat and crown rust of oat), Louisiana (Dr. S.A. Harrison, LSU, crown rust of oat, leaf and stripe rust of wheat), Texas (Dr. B. Gerrish, TAMU, leaf and stripe rust) and Kansas (Drs. Eric De Wolf and K. Andersen Onofro, KSU), although generally at low levels. However, as of Dr. Chen's May 21, 2025 update, he indicated that no additional states have reported stripe rust.
- ii. In the second USDA-ARS Cereal Disease Laboratory (CDL) report for 2025, Dr. Oluseyi Fajolu (CDL, St. Paul, Minnesota) reported moderate levels of leaf rust in three wheat samples from the Pullman

region of the PNW

(<https://www.ars.usda.gov/ARUserFiles/50620500/CRBs/2025%20CRB%20May%2016.pdf>).

- iii. The USDA-ARS Cereal Disease Laboratory posts maps showing observations of stripe and leaf rust in the USA and maps as of May 28, 2025 are shown in Figures 1a and 1b, respectively for the PNW region.
- iv. **As of May 28, 2025, further development of stripe rust and forecast weather conditions in the PNW suggest this region represents a low to moderate risk of being a source of stripe rust inoculum for Prairie wheat growers in 2025. Stripe rust development in the PNW over the next several weeks could increase the risk for Prairie wheat producers. Leaf rust of wheat may also increase in risk depending on further reports from the PNW over the next few weeks.**
- v. Currently there are no reports of stripe rust symptoms in Prairie winter or spring wheat crops.

b. Texas/Oklahoma

- i. In the first USDA-ARS Cereal Disease Laboratory (CDL) report for 2025, Dr. Oluseyi Fajolu (CDL, St. Paul, Minnesota) reported that CDL survey activities in Texas indicated the development of stem rust in various research trials and monitoring plots in Uvalde and Medina counties (Dr. O. Fajolu, Cereal Rust Bulletin #1, April 25, 2025, <https://www.ars.usda.gov/ARUserFiles/50620500/CRBs/2025%20CRB%20April%2025.pdf>). However, in a subsequent May 16, 2025 bulletin (#2) Dr. Fajolu indicated these symptoms were not due to stem rust, but leaf rust (<https://www.ars.usda.gov/ARUserFiles/50620500/CRBs/2025%20CRB%20May%2016.pdf>).
- ii. In the April 25, 2025 report Dr. Fajolu indicated the appearance of leaf and stripe rust in Texas from late February to April depending on location. Leaf rust has been noted in Brazos, McLennan, Hidalgo, and Duval, TX with trace to elevated levels, especially in April 2025. Stripe rust was noted in McLennan County in late February 2025, but at low levels. In the May 16, 2025 bulletin, leaf rust was reported in four Oklahoma counties, although at low levels with winter wheat fields being past anthesis.
- iii. Dr. Fajolu also covers observations related to oat stem and crown rust. Both diseases were observed in Texas in early and late April in monitoring and disease screening plots, wind breaks (oat used in watermelon fields) as well as wild oats in ditches. Levels ranged from trace to significant depending on the variety/breeding line. Note these observations reported in the Cereal Rust Bulletin #1 are mainly based on surveillance activities by Drs. Y. Jin and M. Moscou (USDA-ARS Cereal Disease Laboratory (CDL) ([CEREAL-RUST-SURVEY] CDL Southern Texas and Louisiana survey trip, April 14, 2025, <http://fmp.crl.umn.edu/fmi/webd/CRS-mail>). As of Cereal Rust Bulletin #2, there have been no further reports of oat crown rust.
- iv. Previous observations of stripe rust and leaf rust in Texas in late February were reported by S. Liu, Texas A&M AgriLife Research (TAMU) based on observations at research sites by Dr. B. Gerrish (TAMU) and T. Mays (IPM-Hill County) at or near College Station, Waco, Castroville, McGregor, and Uvalde, TX ([CEREAL-RUST-SURVEY] FW: TAMU Variety Testing Rust Update, March 13, 2025, <http://fmp.crl.umn.edu/fmi/webd/CRS-mail>).
- v. In early May, Dr. M. Aoun, indicated that both leaf and stripe rust were at low levels based on observations from multiple areas of the state in late April 2025 ([OSU Wheat Pathology](#)). In the CDL Cereal Rust Bulletin #2, stripe rust was reported in eight Oklahoma counties (<https://www.ars.usda.gov/ARUserFiles/50620500/CRBs/2025%20CRB%20May%2016.pdf>).
- vi. The most recent update from Dr. Aoun for Oklahoma on May 22, 2025 indicates further leaf rust development with reports from nine counties, although Dr. Aoun indicates the delayed appearance will likely not result in yield losses due to the late stage of crop development (<https://spotlight.okstate.edu/wheat-pathology/2025/05/22/wheat-disease-update-may-22-2025/>). Note stripe rust was not mentioned in the May 22, 2025 update, just leaf rust.
- vii. The USDA-ARS Cereal Disease Laboratory posts maps showing observations of stripe and leaf rust in wheat and crown rust in oat in the USA and the maps as of May 22, 2025 are shown in Figures 2-4, respectively.

- viii. **As of May 28, 2025, there is generally a low risk associated with the Texas/Oklahoma region being a significant source of stripe, leaf, stem and crown rust inoculum for dispersal into the Prairie region of Canada.** However, further rust development may increase this risk although as of May 25, 2025 Texas and Oklahoma winter wheat crops are mostly headed and into the grain filling stages, while 17% and 3% of the Texas and Oklahoma winter wheat crops have been harvested (<https://quickstats.nass.usda.gov/results/4522C4A4-0332-3E6C-8059-63DD4F9915F2> and <https://quickstats.nass.usda.gov/results/24250CE4-5A28-363C-AC7D-807E8DC12080>, respectively). Note that as crops mature over the next 2-4 weeks, they will no longer represent an important source of uredospores which only develop on green living non-senesced plant tissues.

c. Kansas/Nebraska

- i. Drs. Eric De Wolf and K. Andersen Onofro, KSU stated in their wheat rust update report that in addition to previous reports from Texas and Oklahoma, stripe rust was found in SW Kansas (Ford County) on one leaf from the mid-canopy in a field planted to a moderately susceptible winter wheat variety ([CEREAL-RUST-SURVEY] Wheat Rust Update -- Kansas (<http://fmp.crl.umn.edu/fmi/webd/CRS-mail>)). Current surveillance efforts in Kansas indicate that stripe rust is absent from commercial fields as of April 28, 2025 and based on this and the late appearance of low levels observed in Texas and Oklahoma, the risk of stripe rust in Kansas is low. There were no observations of stem rust in Kansas as of late April, while trace levels of leaf rust were noted in the state.
- ii. In an disease update on May 1, 2025, Dr. K. Andersen Onofre (KSU) reported stripe rust at lower levels in Labette and Ford Counties and the risk was generally low for Kansas, even though conducive weather has occurred (<https://eupdate.agronomy.ksu.edu/article/wheat-disease-update-fusarium-head-blight-and-leaf-spot-risk-elevated-in-kansas-639-12>). However, in a subsequent update as of May 8, 2025 three more stripe observations were noted, and Dr. K. Andersen Onofre recommended to Kansas farmers that scouting for further signs of this disease will be important (<https://eupdate.agronomy.ksu.edu/article/wheat-disease-update-stripe-rust-and-head-blight-risks-640-9>).
- iii. As of April 30, 2025, there have been no reports of stripe rust in Colorado (Dr. R. Roberts, Colorado State University (CSU), <https://coloradowheat.org/colorado-wheat-disease-newsletter-april-30-2025/>).
- iv. County-based observations of stripe rust in Kansas and Oklahoma winter wheat fields as of May 28, 2025 are shown in Figure 5 (top, <https://wheat.agpestmonitor.org/stripe-rust/>). Note only some states appear to be using this reporting tool. The map has been updated for May 30 and there appears to be more Kansas counties reporting stripe rust (Figure 5, bottom)
- v. There was a recent report of stripe rust in Ontario and this may be related to overwintering of the pathogen on winter wheat, while the agpest monitor site also indicates further detections (Figure 5, https://www.realagriculture.com/2025/05/growers-must-be-vigilant-as-stripe-rust-confirmed-in-ontario/?utm_source=twitter&utm_campaign=May%2014%2C%202025&utm_medium=soci). This early development could act as a source of stripe rust for further regional development and as a consequence scouting, especially in fields planted to susceptible varieties, may be needed along with potential fungicide application.
- vi. As of May 12 and 16, 2025 both stripe and leaf rust have been reported in Ontario (<https://x.com/OntAg/status/1925899641133953228>; <https://farmtario.com/crops/ontario-growers-urged-to-scout-for-stripe-rust/>).
- vii. Stripe rust has been reported for the first time in 2025 in Nebraska. Drs. Wegulo, Broderick, and Frels reported in their May 23, 2025 update that stripe rust was detected in SE Nebraska on May 22, 2025 (<https://cropwatch.unl.edu/first-signs-stripe-rust-detected-southeast-nebraska-wheat-fields/>, Figure 6). In a subsequent update on May 29, 2025 Dr. S. Wegulo found stripe rust in in Lancaster and Mead Counties in research trials ([CEREAL-RUST-SURVEY] Update from Nebraska, Dr. S. Wegulo). In Lancaster there were trace incidence levels although severities ranges from low to moderate, while at Mead moderate incidence was observed while severities ranged from trace to very high depending on variety.

- viii. **As of May 28, 2025, there is generally a low risk associated with the Kansas/Nebraska region being a significant source of stripe and leaf rust inoculum for dispersal into the Prairie region of Canada.** However, if cooler, wetter weather occurs over the next 7-21 days the risk of stripe rust inoculum coming from these USA regions could increase.

2. **Reverse trajectories (RT)**

- a. Since April 1, 2025 the majority of reverse trajectories that have crossed the prairies have originated from the Pacific Northwest (Idaho, Oregon and Washington) (Figures 7-14).
- b. **Pacific Northwest (Washington, Oregon, Idaho)** – Since April 1, 2025, the greatest number of reverse trajectories, crossing the Prairies, have originated from the Pacific Northwest (n=567, Figure 7). Most of these trajectories passed over Alberta and Saskatchewan (Figure 8). For the week of May 20-26, 2025 there have been a total of 133 reverse trajectories that passed through the prairie region over 19 locations, which is up from 32 for May 13-19, 2025 (Table 1). Fifteen of the 19 locations were in Alberta (BEISEKER, CALGARY, EDMONTON, FORT VERMILION, GRANDE PRAIRIE, LACOMBE, LETHBRIDGE, MANNING, OLDS, PROVOST, RYCROFT, SEDGEWICK, VEGREVILLE, VULCAN, and WANHAM), with one in BC (FORT ST-JOHN), and three in Saskatchewan (KINDERSLEY, NORTH BATTLEFORD, and SWIFT CURRENT) (Table 1, Figure 9). All 19 locations had a total of seven wind trajectory events from the PNW for May 20-26, 2025 (Table 1). Interestingly five of the AB locations (FORT VERMILION, GRANDE PRAIRIE, MANNING, RYCROFT, and WANHAM) and the only BC location (FORT ST-JOHN) were all in the Peace River region (Figure 10).
 - i. **As of May 26, 2025, there is low-moderate risk associated with the PNW region being a significant source of wind trajectories for dispersal of the stripe rust pathogen into most of the Prairie region. However, the 19 locations with trajectories from the PNW during this period would be at a high risk given the number of events from May 20-26, 2025 (Table 1, Figure 9).**
- c. **Oklahoma and Texas** – Since April 1, 2025, 50 reverse trajectories, originating over Oklahoma and Texas were reported to cross the prairies, mainly in Manitoba and eastern Saskatchewan (Figure 11). Most of these trajectories passed over Manitoba and central to eastern Saskatchewan (Figure 12). This past week there were no trajectories from the TX/OK region versus a total of 13 trajectories for May 13-19, 2025.
 - i. **As of May 26, 2025, there is a low risk associated with the TX/OK region being a significant source of wind trajectories for dispersal of rust pathogens into the Prairie region of Canada.**
- d. **Nebraska and Kansas** – A total of 189 reverse trajectories, originating from Kansas and Nebraska have crossed the prairies, primarily Manitoba and Saskatchewan (April 1 – May 26, 2025) (Figure 13). Most of these trajectories passed over Manitoba and central to eastern Saskatchewan (Figure 14). Last week (May 20-26) a total of 35 trajectories over five locations passed through the Prairies, which was up from 16 reverse trajectories for May 13-19, 2025 (Table 3). MEDICINE HAT and PROVOST, AB, and KINDERSLEY, NORTH BATTLEFORD, and UNITY, SK each had a total of seven wind trajectory events (Table 2).
 - i. **As of May 26, 2025, there is generally a low risk associated with the KS/NE region being a significant source of wind trajectories for dispersal of rust uredospores into most of the Prairie region. However, the five locations with trajectories from the KS/NE during this period would be at a high risk given the number of events from May 20-26, 2025.**

3. **Prairie Crop Development, Weather Conditions, and Overwintering of Rust**

- a. Winter wheat – Winter wheat has been resuming growth across the prairie region in April and early to mid May with most in the tillering stage to stem elongation stages (<https://tinyurl.com/u7ck4rhn>).
- b. Spring wheat – Across the prairie region spring wheat has either been planted or will be over the next few weeks with percentages of crops seeded ranging from around 67% up to 100% depending on the province and region (<https://tinyurl.com/329ejsy6>; <https://tinyurl.com/2dcpysxm> and <https://tinyurl.com/4amnv8ev> (as of May 22, 2025); <https://tinyurl.com/u7ck4rhn>).
- c. This past week (May 20-26, 2025) the average temperature across the Prairies ranged from around 5 to 15.2 °C, with the warmest areas being in large areas of Alberta including areas in the Peace River region, SW western and north central Saskatchewan and around Winnipeg and the Interlake regions of Manitoba (Figure 15).

- d. Growing season temperatures (April 1-May 26, 2025) have been slightly above average for large areas of the Prairies, although the BC Peace was up to 4°C above normal for this period, while areas in eastern and SE Saskatchewan and western Manitoba, and the south Peace River region of Alberta have been closer to normal temperatures (Figure 16).
- e. Accumulated rainfall over the past week (May 20-26, 2025) was variable with large areas of Saskatchewan (central to western and NE) and northern and SE Manitoba being the driest (Figure 17). However, the Edmonton region and south to Red Deer and SE Saskatchewan and SW Manitoba had more rainfall.
- f. Growing season rainfall from April 1 to May 26, 2025 has been below normal across much of the Prairie region, with a area north, east and south of Calgary towards Lethbridge, and south central to SE Saskatchewan and southwestern Manitoba having higher than normal rainfall (Figure 18).
- g. Currently, there are no reports of early season stripe rust development in winter wheat, which would suggest potential overwintering, especially of stripe rust (personal communication: S. Rehman, R. Aboukhaddour, AAFC Lethbridge; and H.R. Kutcher, U. of S.).

4. **Overall Rust Risk Assessment and Need For In-Crop Scouting**

- a. **Crop development and weather**
 - i. Prairie winter wheat crops are generally in the tillering to stem elongation growth stages, while much of the spring wheat crop has been seeded or will be shortly.
 - ii. Temperatures have been somewhat higher than normal for most of the Prairie region since April 1, 2025, and from May 20-26, 2025 temperatures have ranged from around 5 to 15.2°C. These temperatures are generally not conducive to rust development, although cooler temperatures are more conducive for stripe rust versus leaf and stem rust. Growing season rainfall for the Prairie region has been generally drier than normal. Recent rainfall in some areas the Prairies could potentially have washed rust spores from the air and into wheat crops, especially winter wheat, while also resulting in canopy moisture conditions that may favour infection and further rust development.
- b. **Pacific Northwest** – There were increased numbers of reverse wind trajectories that passed over the PNW region and into the prairies from May 20-26, 2025. Although, stripe rust development continues, it is generally lower versus 2024; however, further development may occur over the next several weeks. **Overall, as of May 26, 2025 the risk of stripe rust appearance from the PNW is generally limited and scouting for this disease in the Prairie region is generally not urgent** (Figure 19). However, there were 19 locations, mainly in Alberta, the BC Peace region and in western Saskatchewan that had an elevated number of trajectories. Although the current stripe rust situation in the PNW is limited, Prairie farmers in these areas that are growing susceptible varieties may want to consider keeping an eye out for stripe rust symptoms as they visit fields for weed scouting and crop inspection activities.
- c. **Texas-Oklahoma corridor** – There were no reverse wind trajectories that passed over the TX/OK region and into the prairies from May 20-26, 2025, while development of stripe and leaf rust of wheat are continuing, although levels are generally low. **Overall, as of May 26, 2025 the risk of stem, leaf, stripe, and crown rust appearance from the Texas-Oklahoma corridor is limited and scouting for these diseases in the Prairie region is not urgent** (Figure 20).
- d. **Kansas-Nebraska corridor** – There were only five Prairie locations that had wind trajectory events from the KS/NE region from May 20-26, 2025, while there have been limited reports of cereal rust currently. **Overall, as of May 26, 2025 the risk of stem, leaf, stripe, and crown rust appearance from the Kansas-Nebraska corridor is limited and scouting for these diseases in the Prairies is not urgent** (Figure 21). However, continuing rust (mainly stripe rust) observations and development in KS/NE will increase the risk. From May 20-26, 2025, there were five locations in Alberta and Saskatchewan that had an elevated number of trajectories. Although the current rust situation in the KS/NE region is limited, Prairie farmers in these areas that are growing susceptible varieties may want to consider keeping an eye out for rust symptoms as they visit fields for weed scouting and crop inspection activities.
- e. Where farmers or consultants noticed stripe rust development on winter wheat in the fall of 2024, it is recommended to scout winter wheat fields that have resumed growth in spring 2025. Scouting is especially

critical where the variety being grown is susceptible/moderately susceptible to stripe rust. Currently, there are no early spring reports of stripe rust on winter wheat.

5. Contacts for rust research and extension expertise

a. Research

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- iv. Xiben Wang, AAFC Brandon/Morden, MB, xiben.wang@agr.gc.ca. Stem and crown rust of oat.
- v. S. Rehman, Western Crop Innovations (formerly Olds College/Alberta Agriculture), Field Crop Development Centre, Lacombe, AB, srehan@westerncropinnovations.com. Stripe and leaf rust;
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- iii. Manitoba Ministry of Agriculture, TBA.

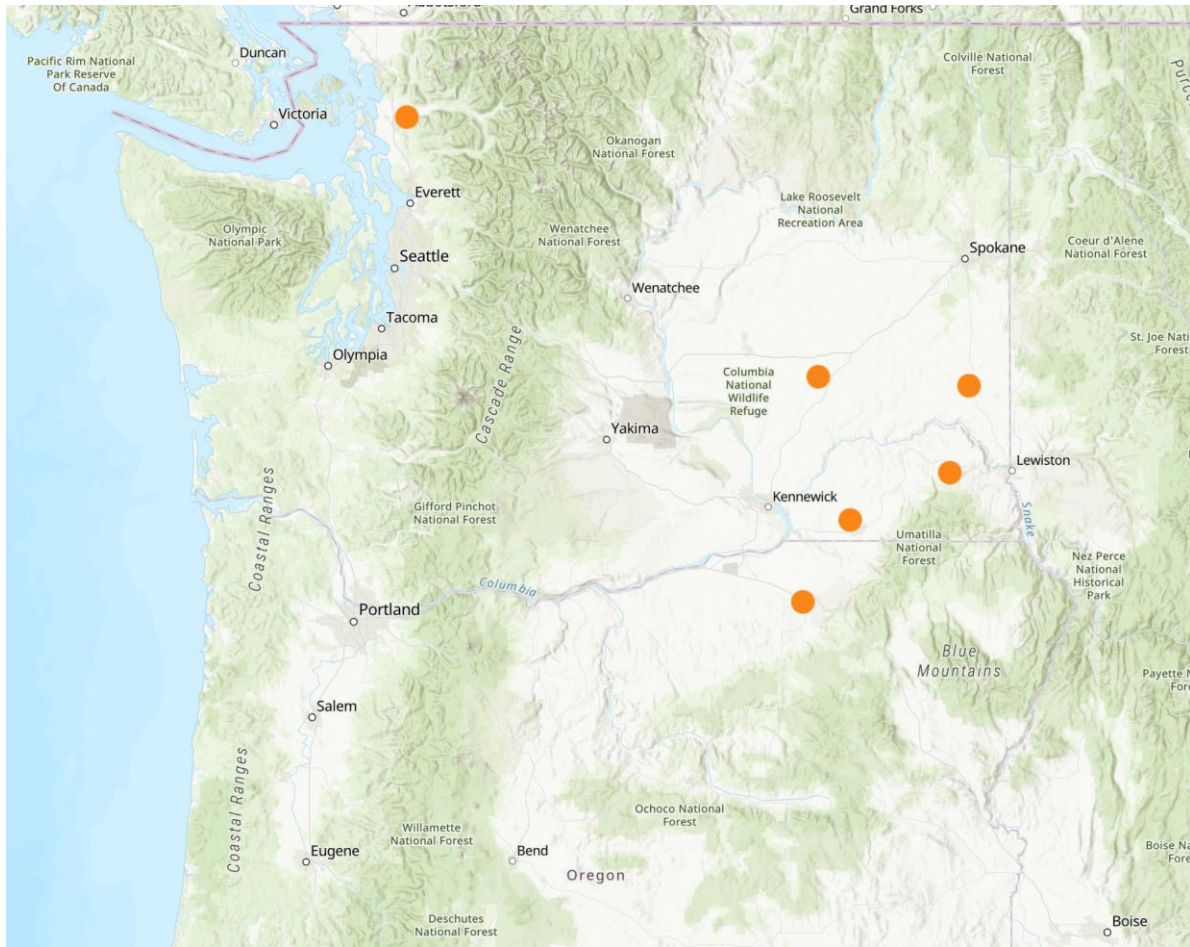


Figure 1a. Pacific Northwest stripe rust observations in wheat, USDA-ARS, Cereal Disease Laboratory, Cereal Rust Observation Maps as of May 28, 2025.

<https://usdaars.maps.arcgis.com/apps/mapviewer/index.html?webmap=7eabb3bc66c045568a406569b731ac6d> (note the map is updated as new reports are received).



Figure 1b. Pacific Northwest leaf rust observations in wheat, USDA-ARS, Cereal Disease Laboratory, Cereal Rust Observation Maps as of May 28, 2025,
<https://usdaars.maps.arcgis.com/apps/mapviewer/index.html?webmap=5dedcdc1a86443a09189c2b6e5598c54> (note the map is updated as new reports are received).

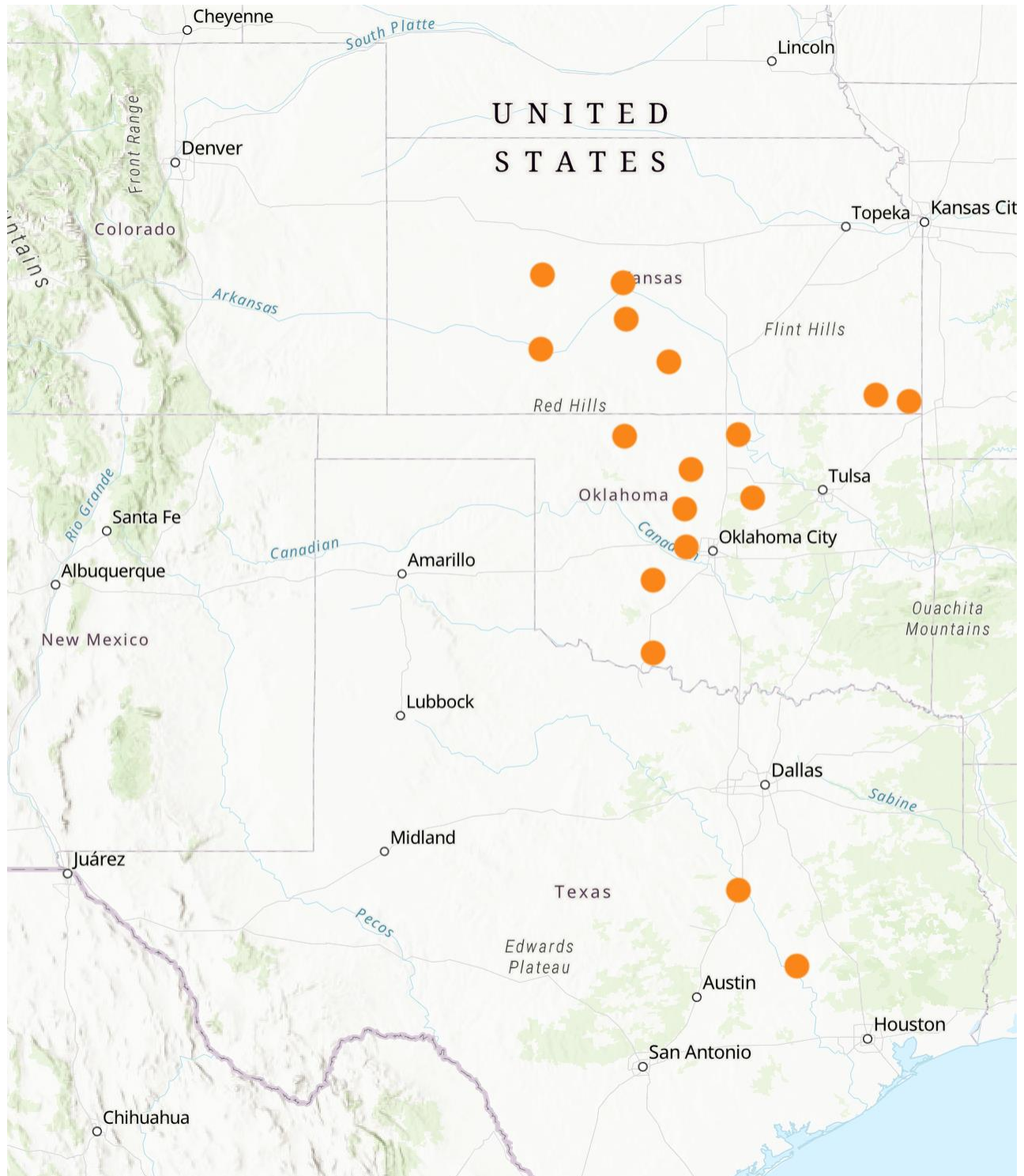


Figure 2. Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas stripe rust observations in wheat, USDA-ARS, Cereal Disease Laboratory, Cereal Rust Observation Maps as of May 28, 2025,
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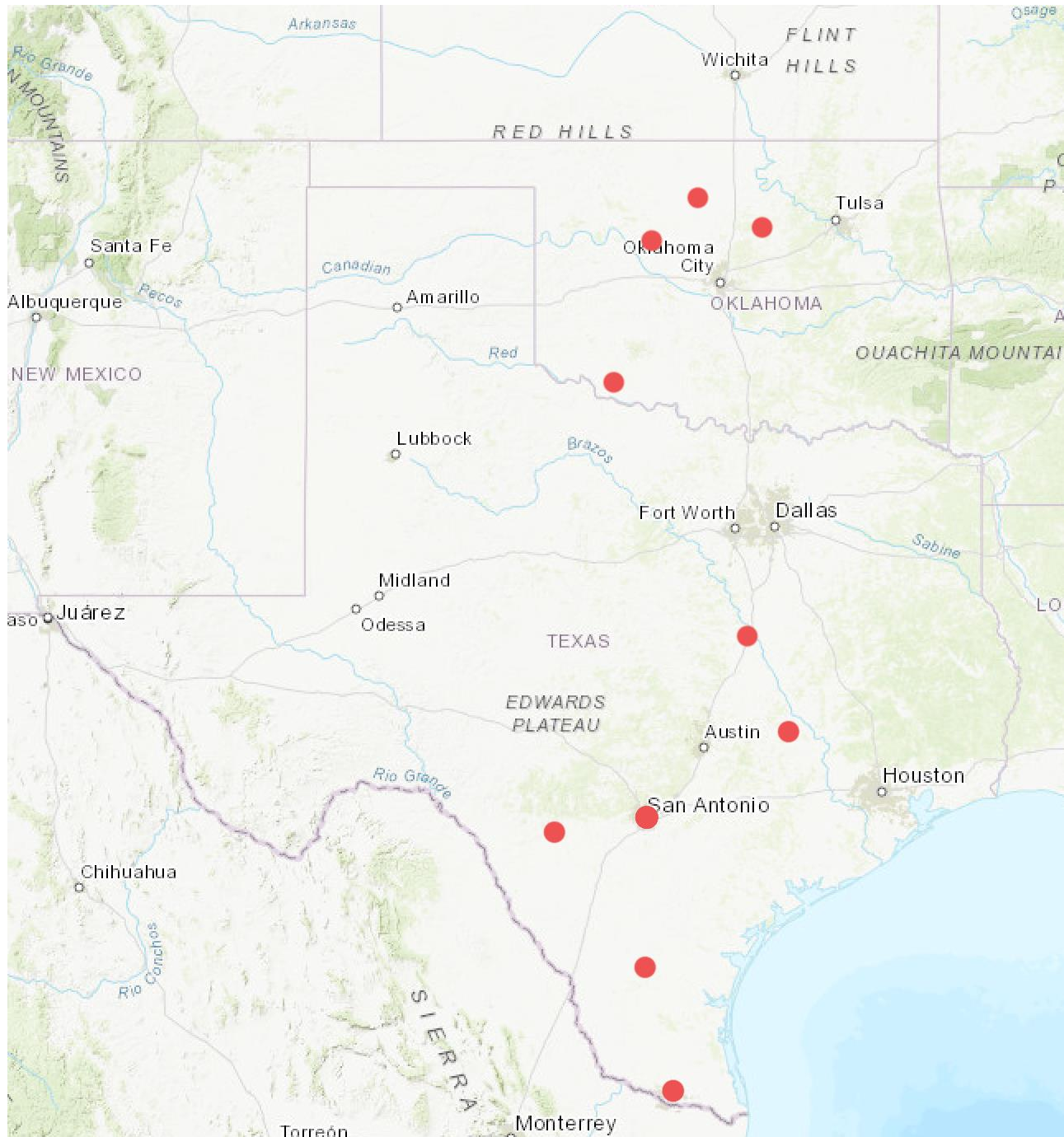


Figure 3. Texas and Oklahoma leaf rust observations/collections in wheat, USDA-ARS, Cereal Disease Laboratory, Cereal Rust Observation Maps as of May 28, 2025,
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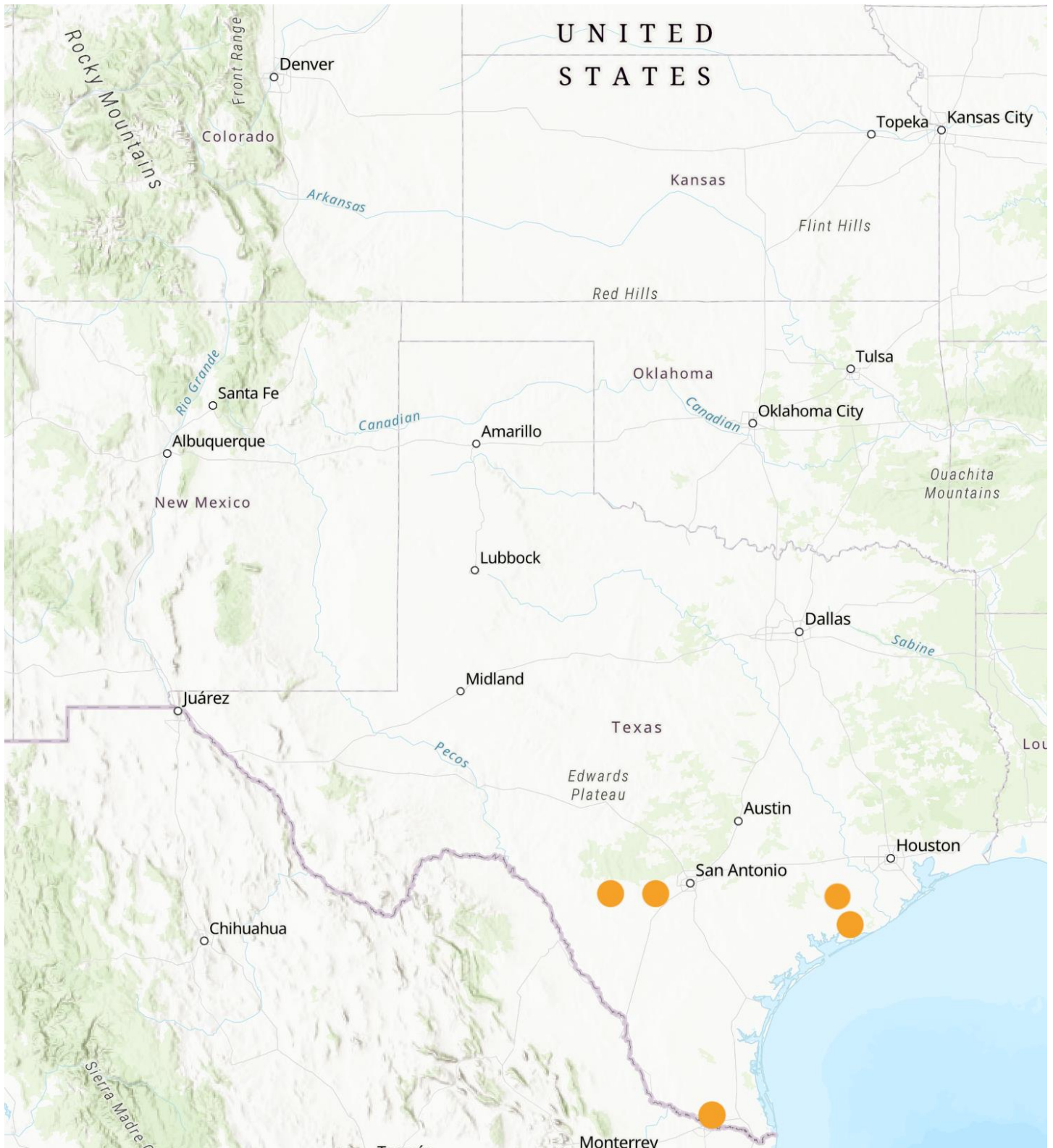
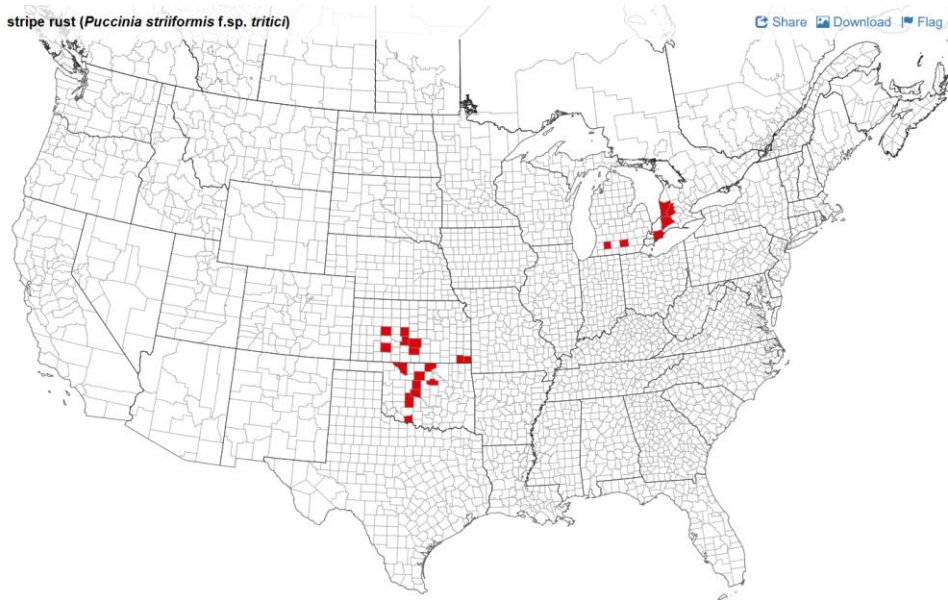


Figure 4. Texas oat crown rust observations/collections in wheat, USDA-ARS, Cereal Disease Laboratory, Cereal Rust Observation Maps as of May 28, 2025,
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stripe rust (*Puccinia striiformis* f.sp. *tritici*)

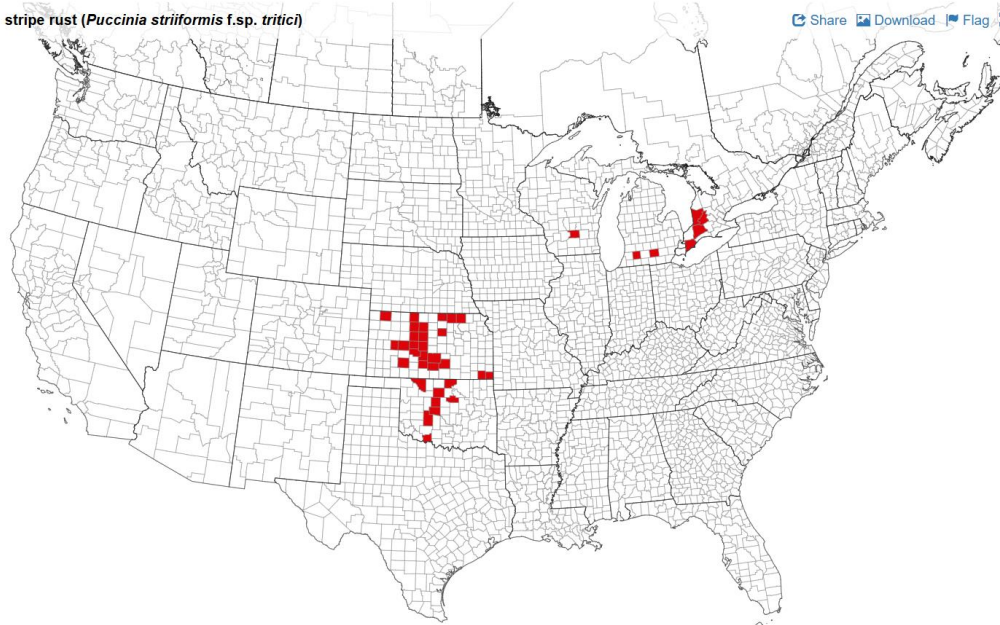
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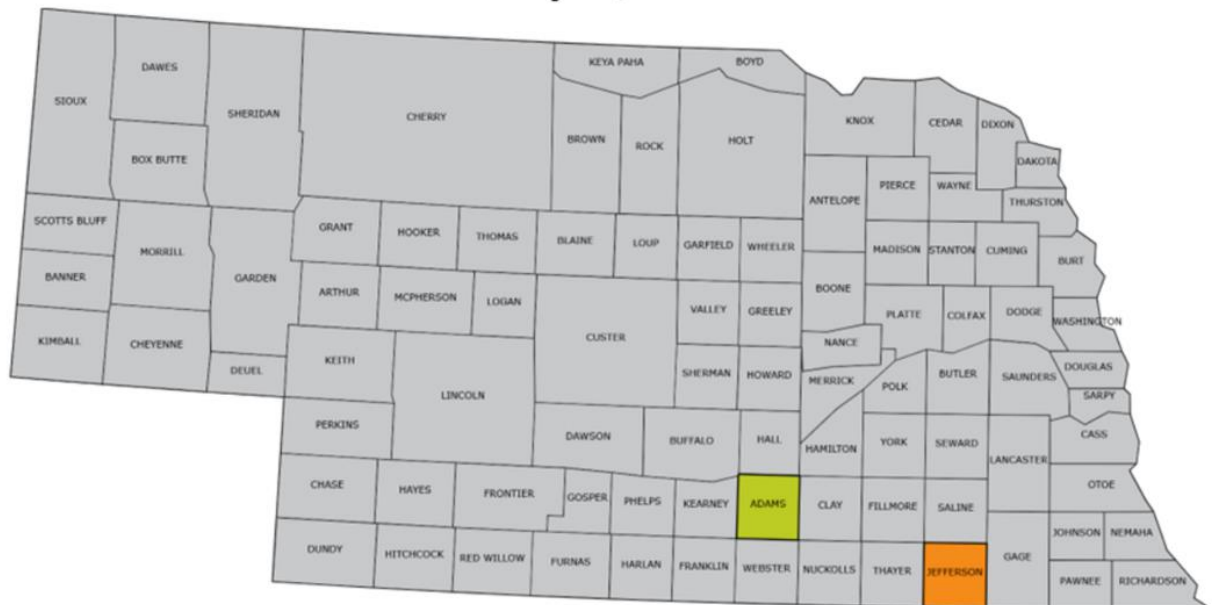
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Figure 5. USA stripe rust observations, as of May 28 (top) and 30 (bottom), 2025, courtesy of AG PEST MONITOR: Wheat, <https://wheat.agpestmonitor.org/stripe-rust/>.

Distribution of Wheat Stripe Rust May 27, 2025



Disease observation map based on reports and submitted pictures from producers, agronomists, and extension faculty through a weekly survey. Disease identification verified by UNL plant and pest diagnostic clinic diagnostician or UNL plant pathologist.

No reports
 Stripe rust not yet observed
 Stripe rust observed
 Lab-confirmed sample

Figure 6. County map showing distribution of stripe rust in Nebraska as of May 27, 2025.

Figure 6. Distribution of stripe rust in Nebraska, USA, as of May 27, 2025 (<https://cropwatch.unl.edu/first-signs-stripe-rust-detected-southeast-nebraska-wheat-fields/>).

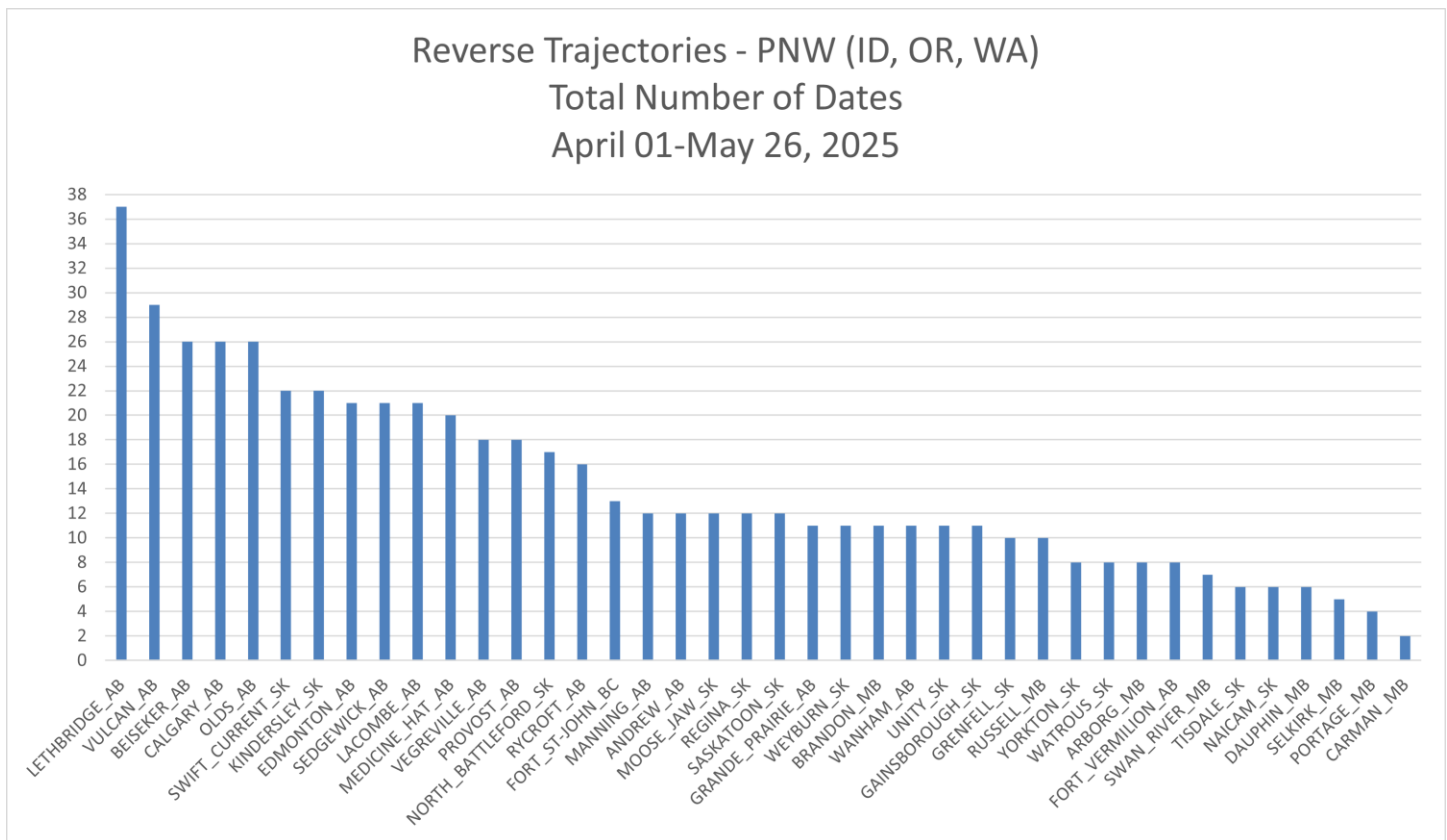


Figure 7. Reverse trajectory locations and number of events, for reverse trajectory events originating from the Pacific Northwest region of the USA, April 1 – May 26, 2025.

Total number of reverse trajectories
 Originating from the Pacific Northwest (ID, OR, WA)
 April 01-May 26, 2025

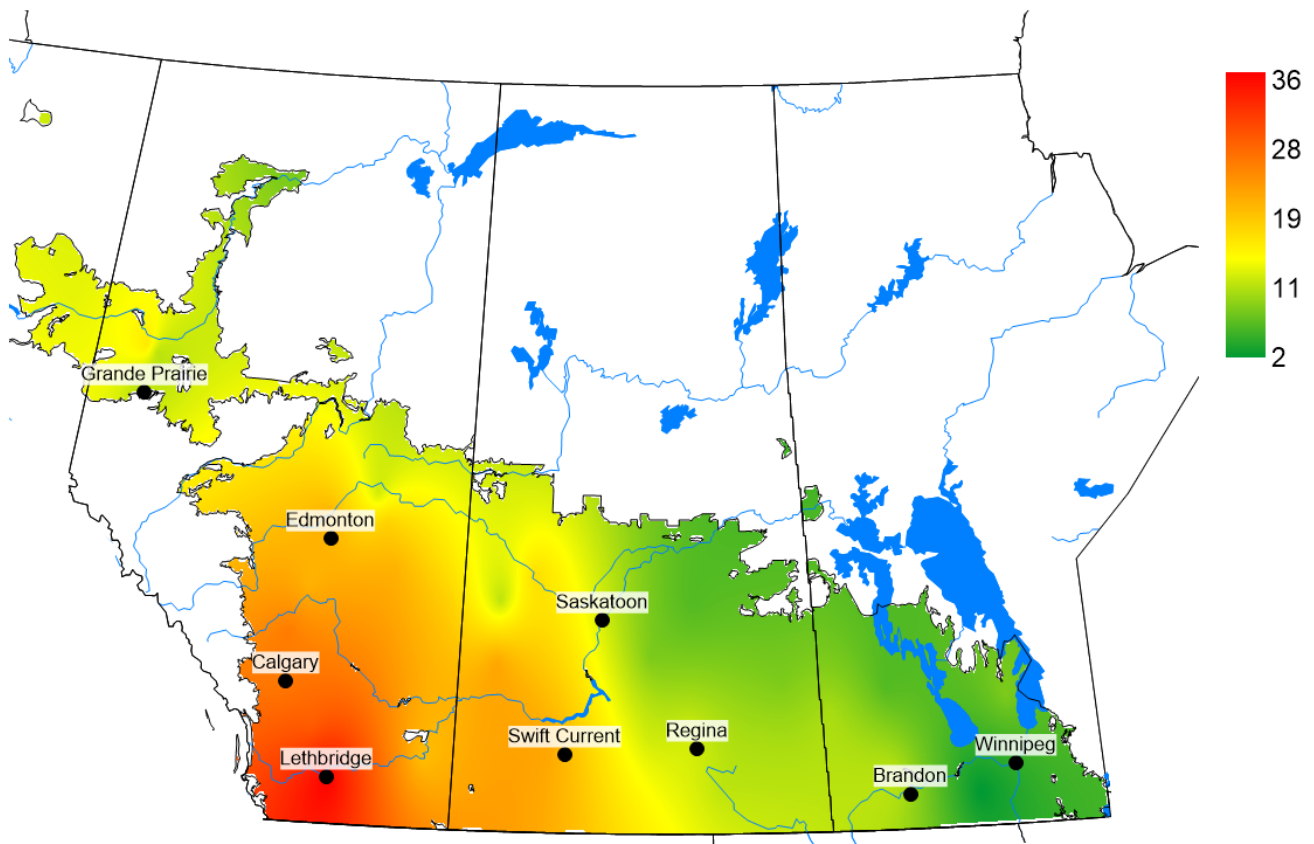


Figure 8. Total number of dates with reverse trajectories originating from the Pacific Northwest region of the USA that have crossed the prairies between April 1 – May 26, 2025.

Total number of reverse trajectories
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 May 20-May 26, 2025

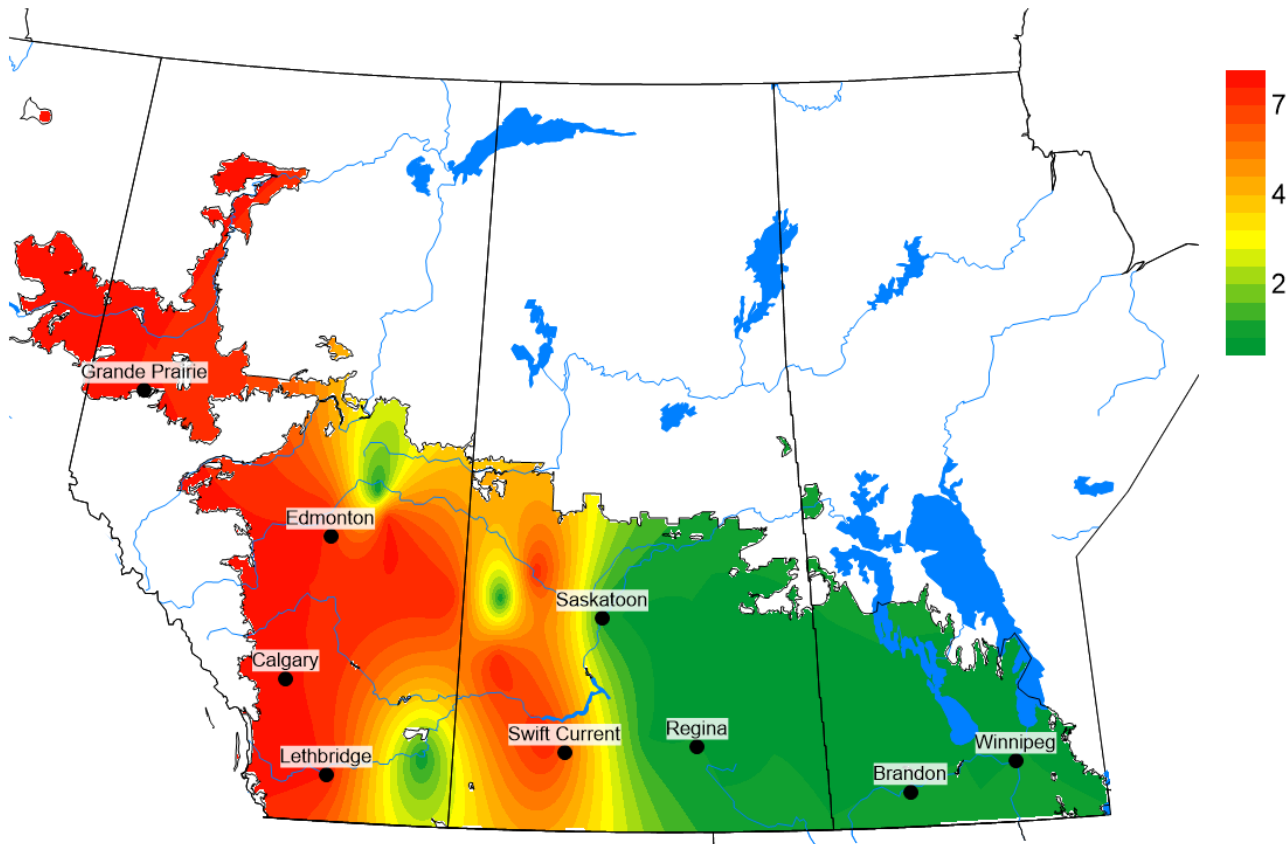


Figure 9. Total number of dates with reverse trajectories originating from the Pacific Northwest region of the USA that have crossed the prairies between May 20-26, 2025.

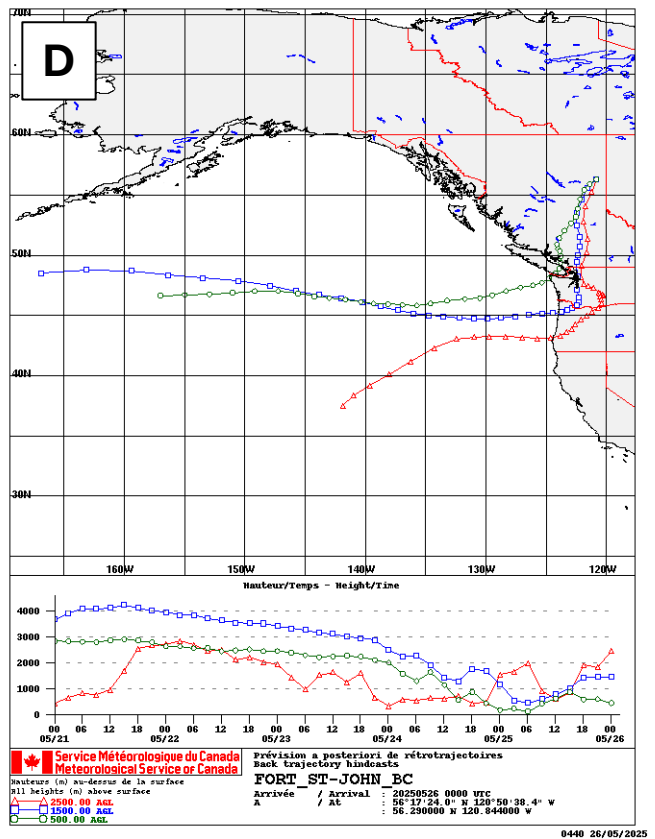
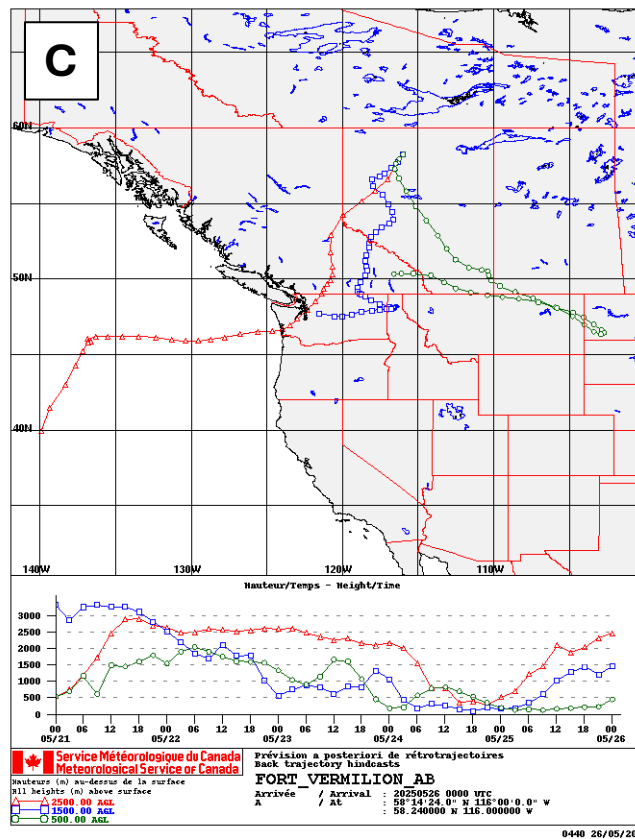
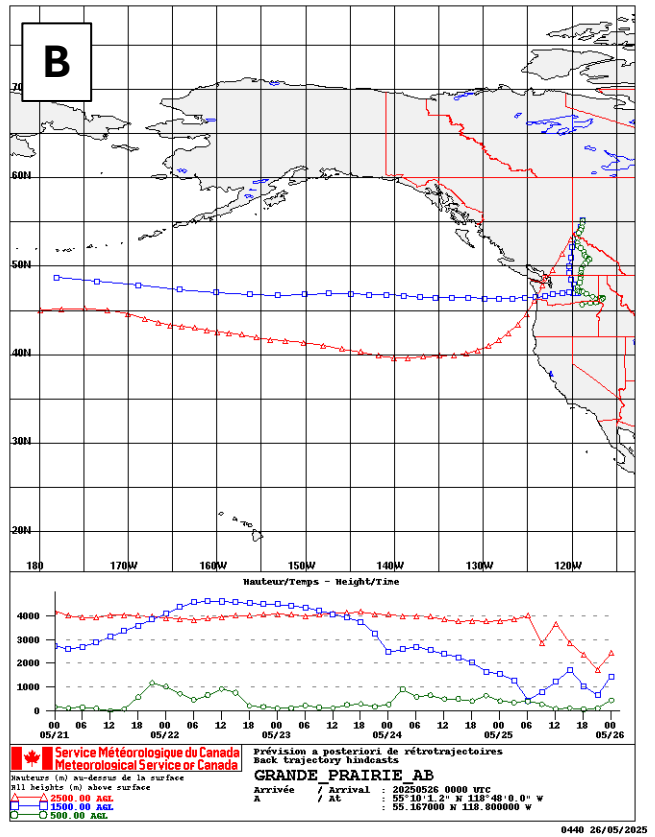
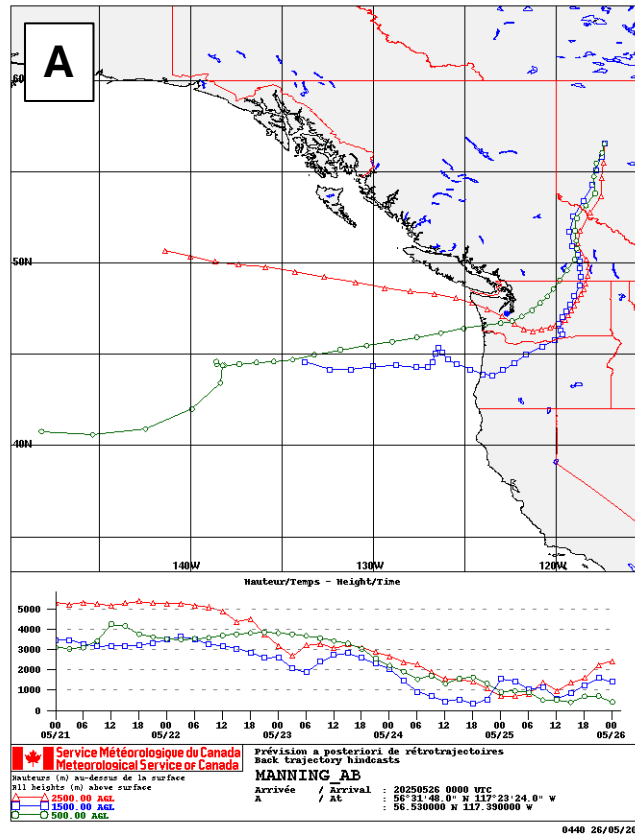


Figure 10a-d. Wind trajectory maps from Environment Canada for Manning, AB (A), Grande Prairie, AB (B), Fort Vermilion, AB (C), and Fort St. John, BC (D) for May 26, 2025.

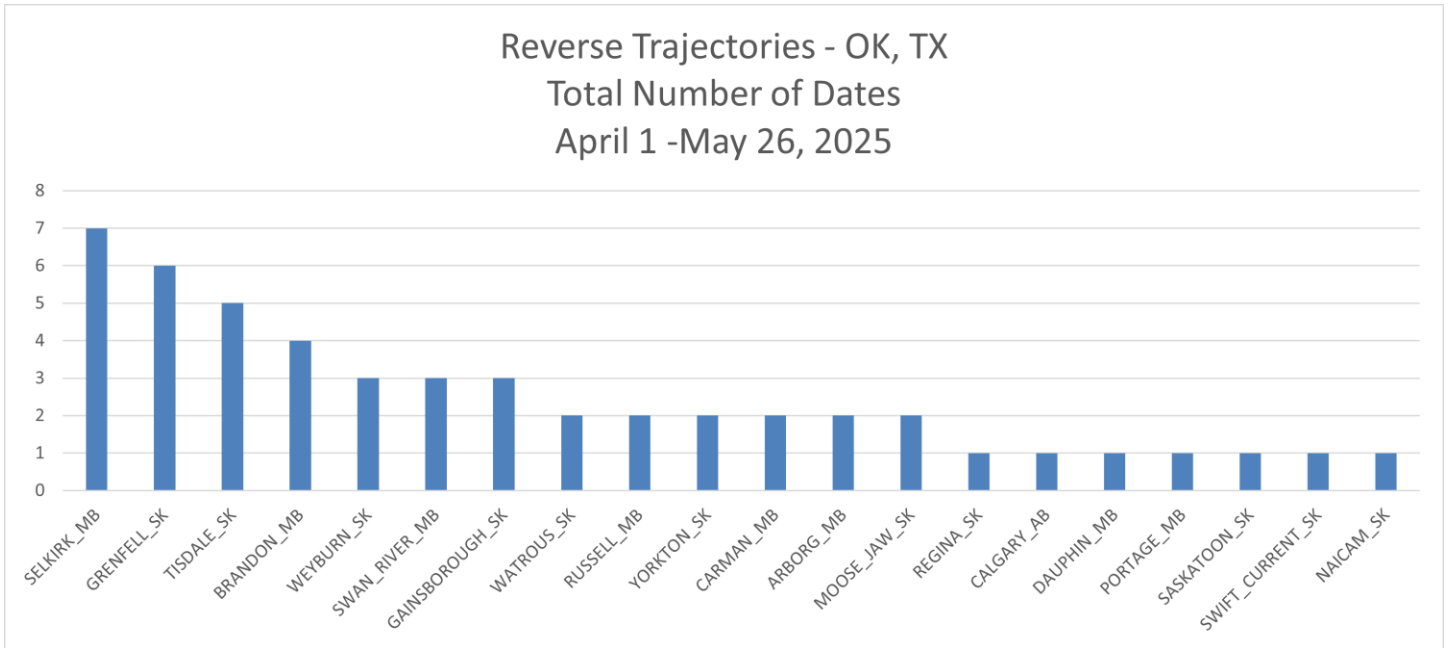


Figure 11. Reverse trajectory locations and number of events, for reverse trajectory events originating from Oklahoma and Texas, USA, April 1 – May 26, 2025.

Total number of reverse trajectories
Originating from Oklahoma and Texas (OK,TX)
April 01-May 26, 2025

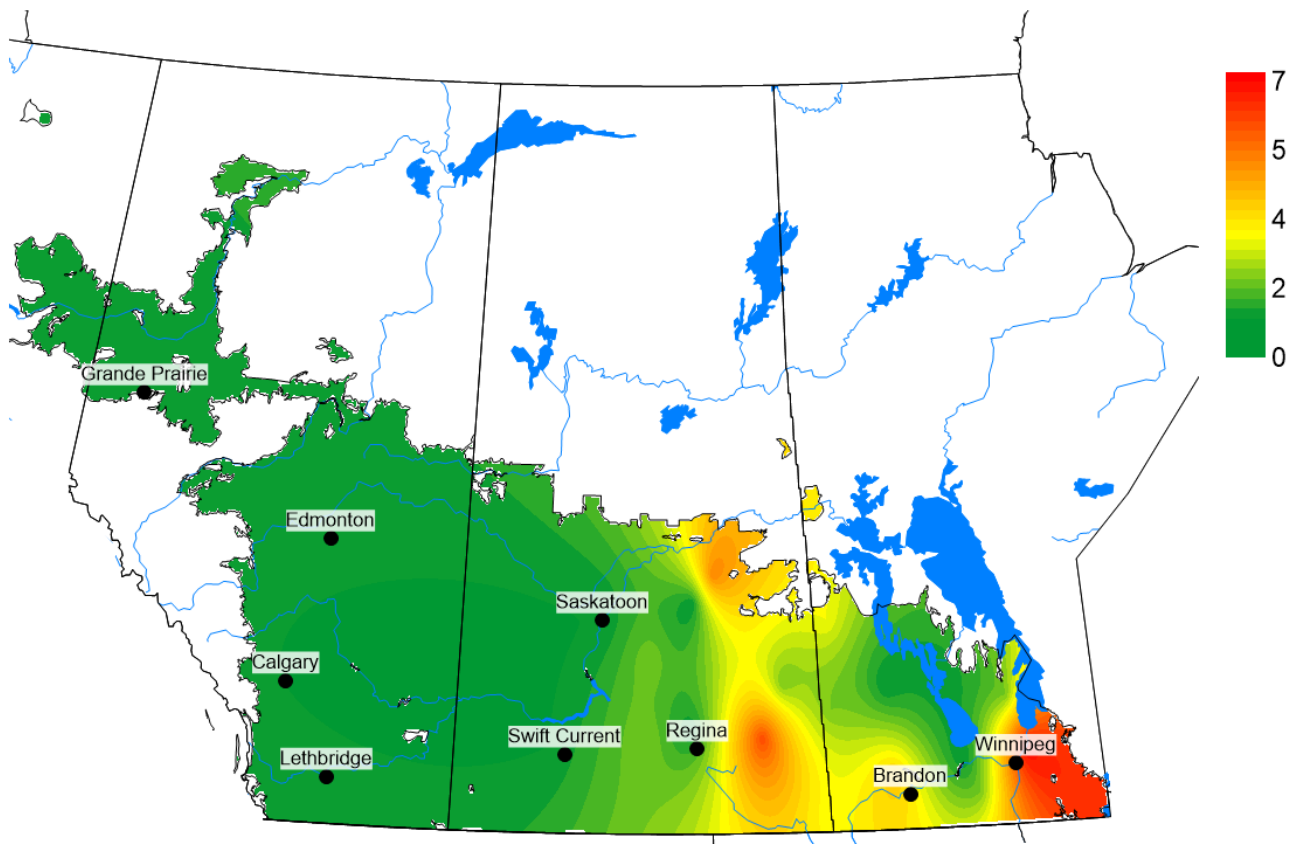


Figure 12. Total number of dates with reverse trajectories originating from Texas and Oklahoma, USA that have crossed the prairies between April 1 – May 26, 2025.

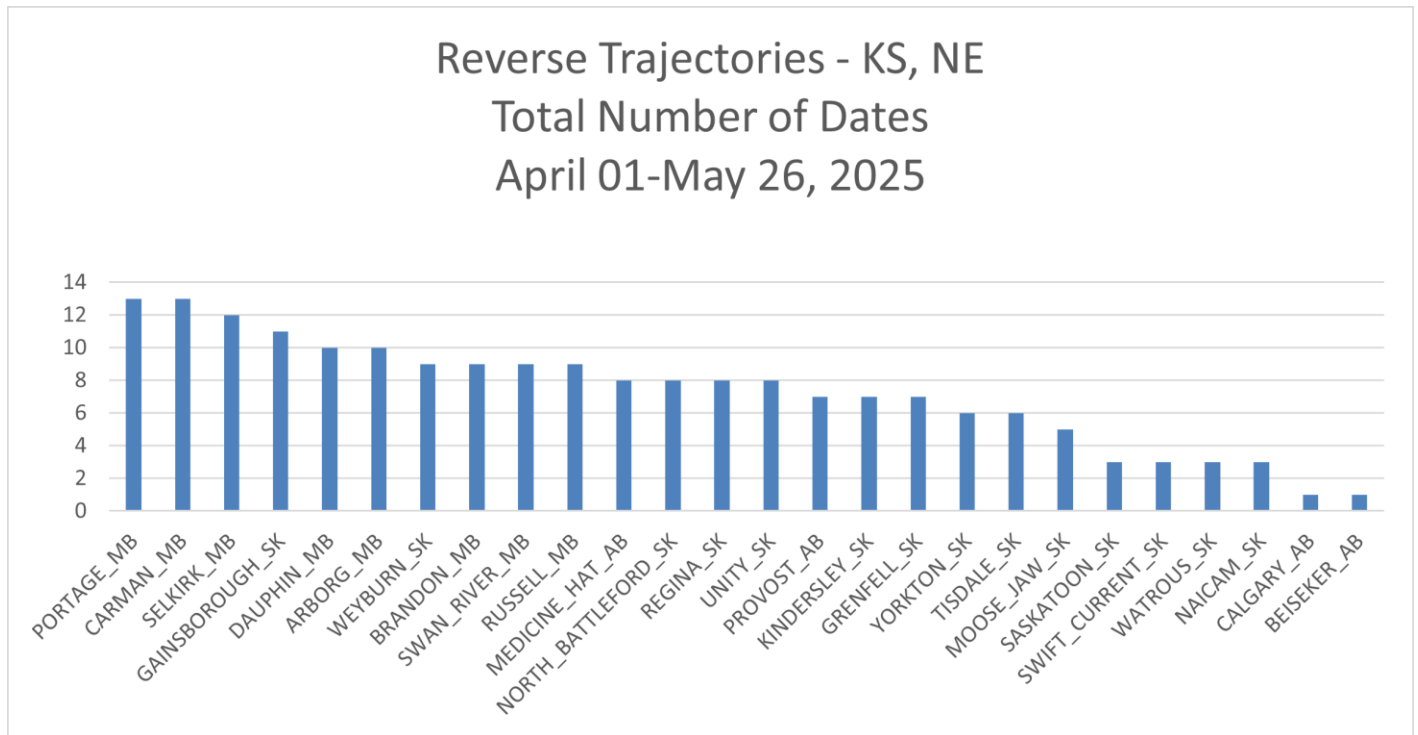


Figure 13. Reverse trajectory locations and number of events, for reverse trajectory events originating from Kansas and Nebraska, USA, April 1 – May 26, 2025.

Total number of reverse trajectories
Originating from Kansas and Nebraska
April 01-May 26, 2025

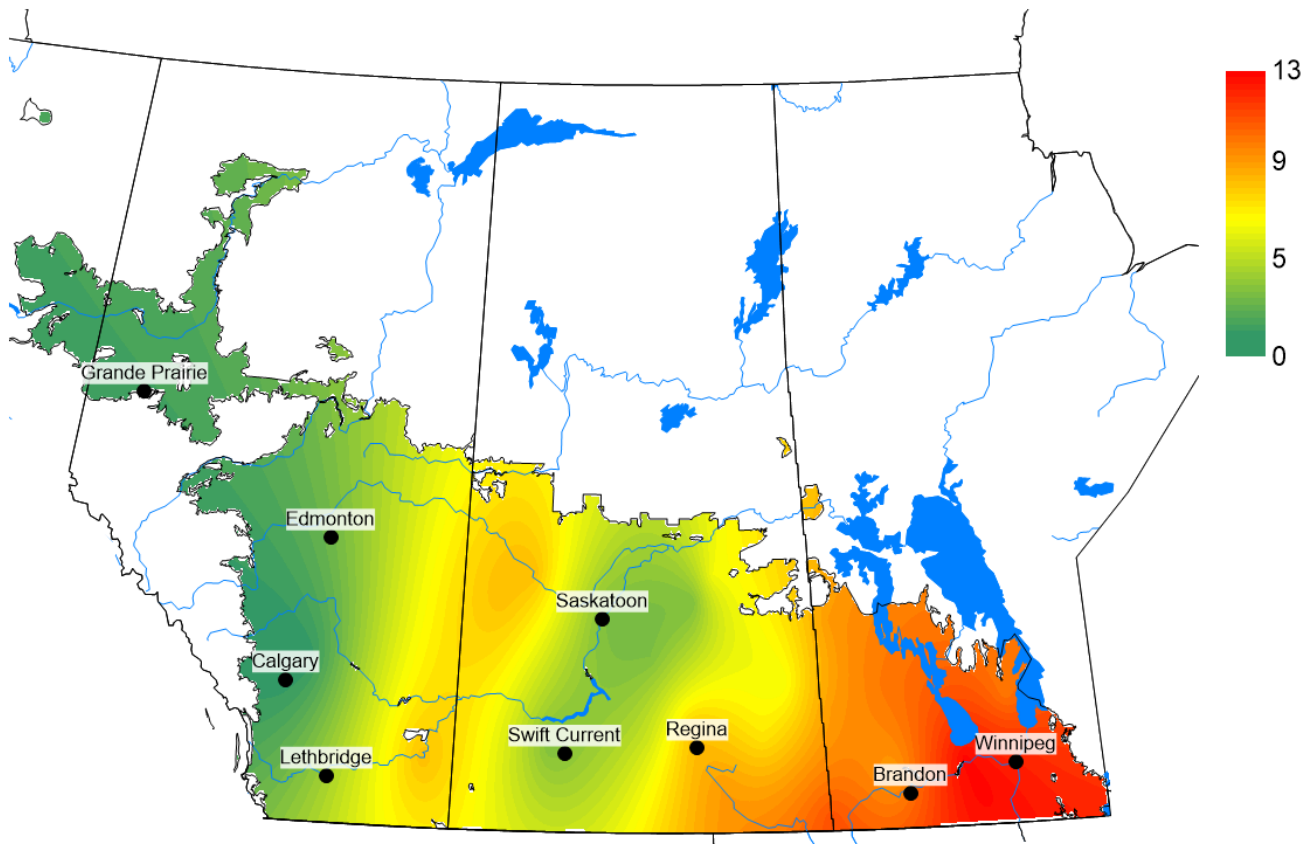


Figure 14. Total number of dates with reverse trajectories originating from Kansas and Nebraska, USA that have crossed the prairies between April 1 – May 26, 2025.

7 day average temperature (°C) May 20-May 26, 2025

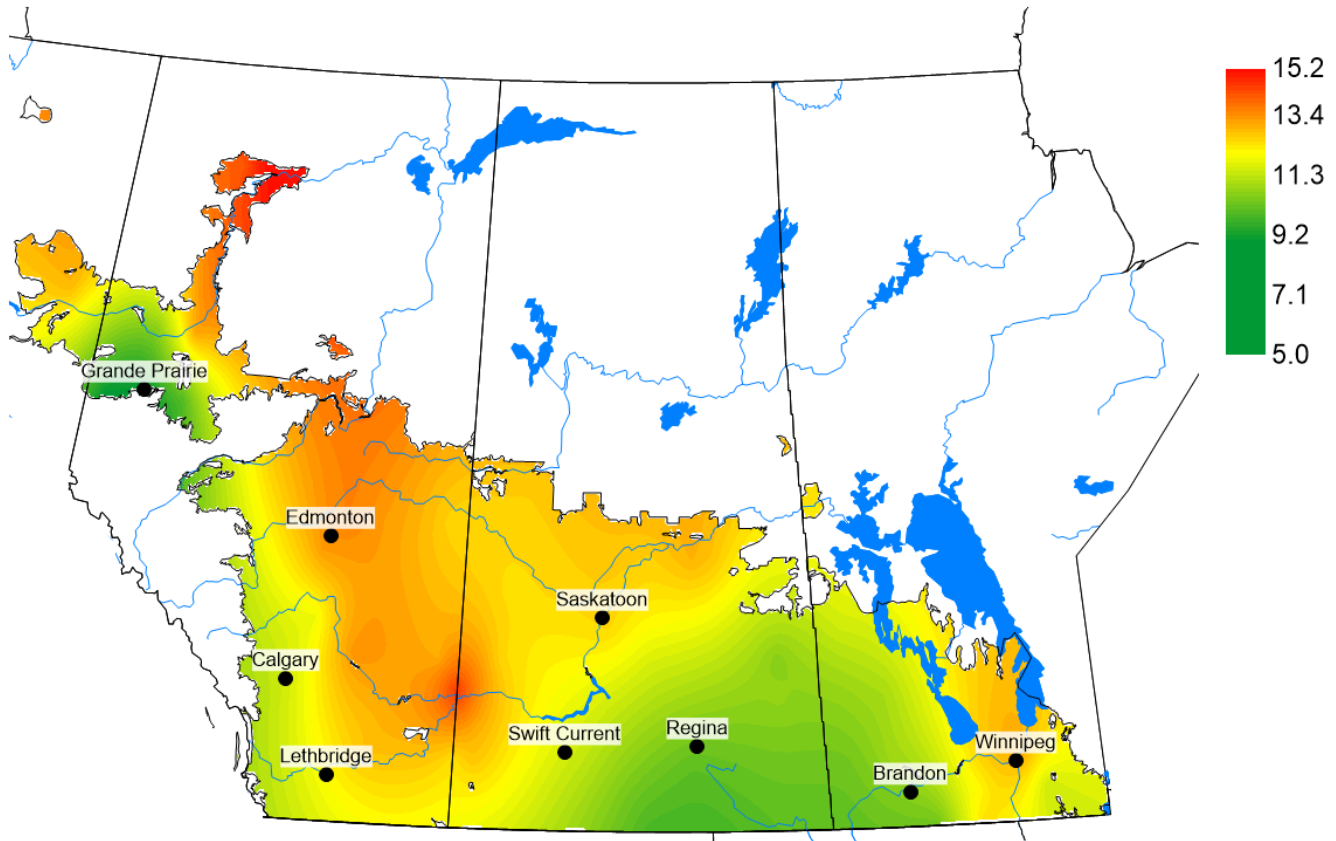


Figure 15. Seven day average temperature (°C), Prairie region, May 20-26, 2025.

Growing season average temperature difference from normal ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)
(Note 0°C represents climate normal values)
April 1 - May 26, 2025

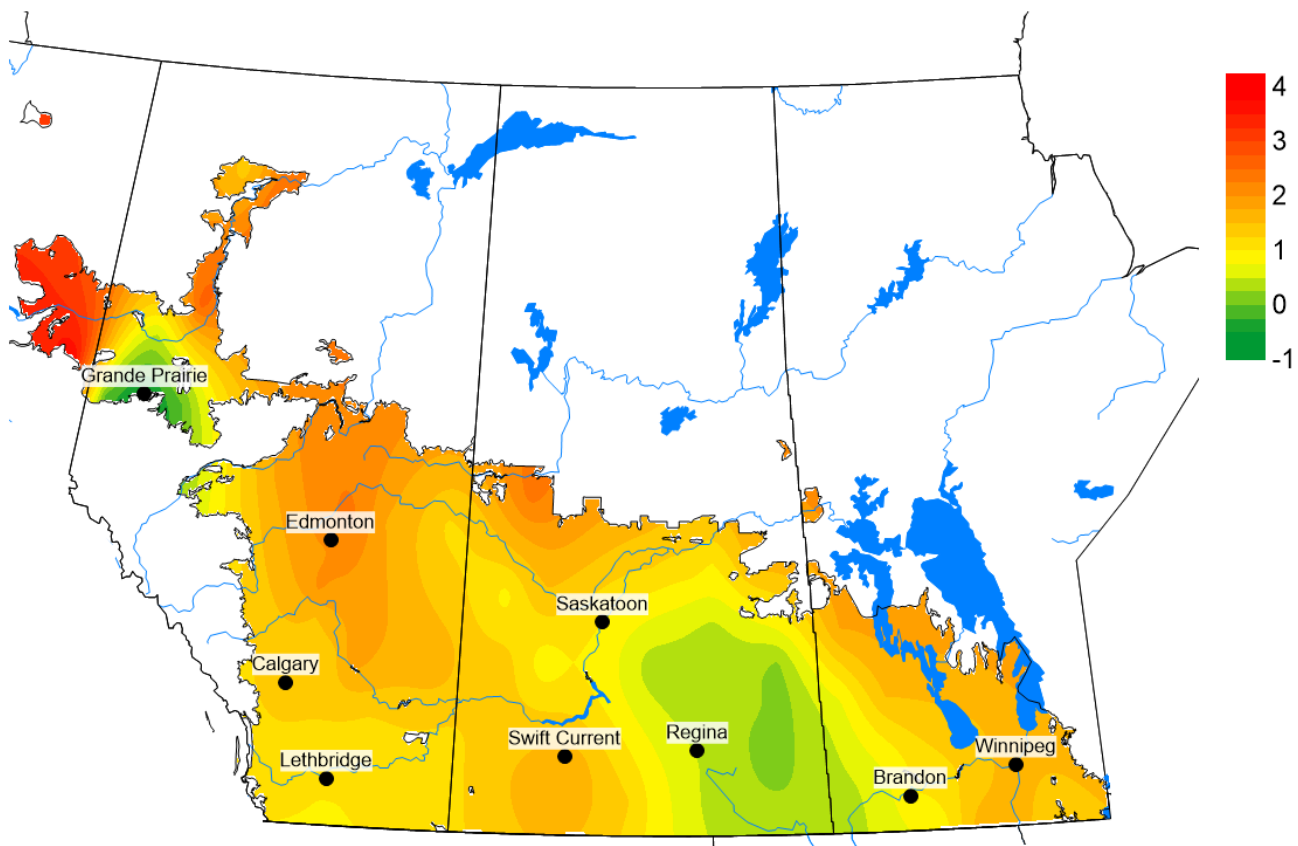


Figure 16. Growing season average temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) difference from normal, Prairie region, April 1 - May 26, 2025.

7 day cumulative rain (mm) May 20 - May 26, 2025

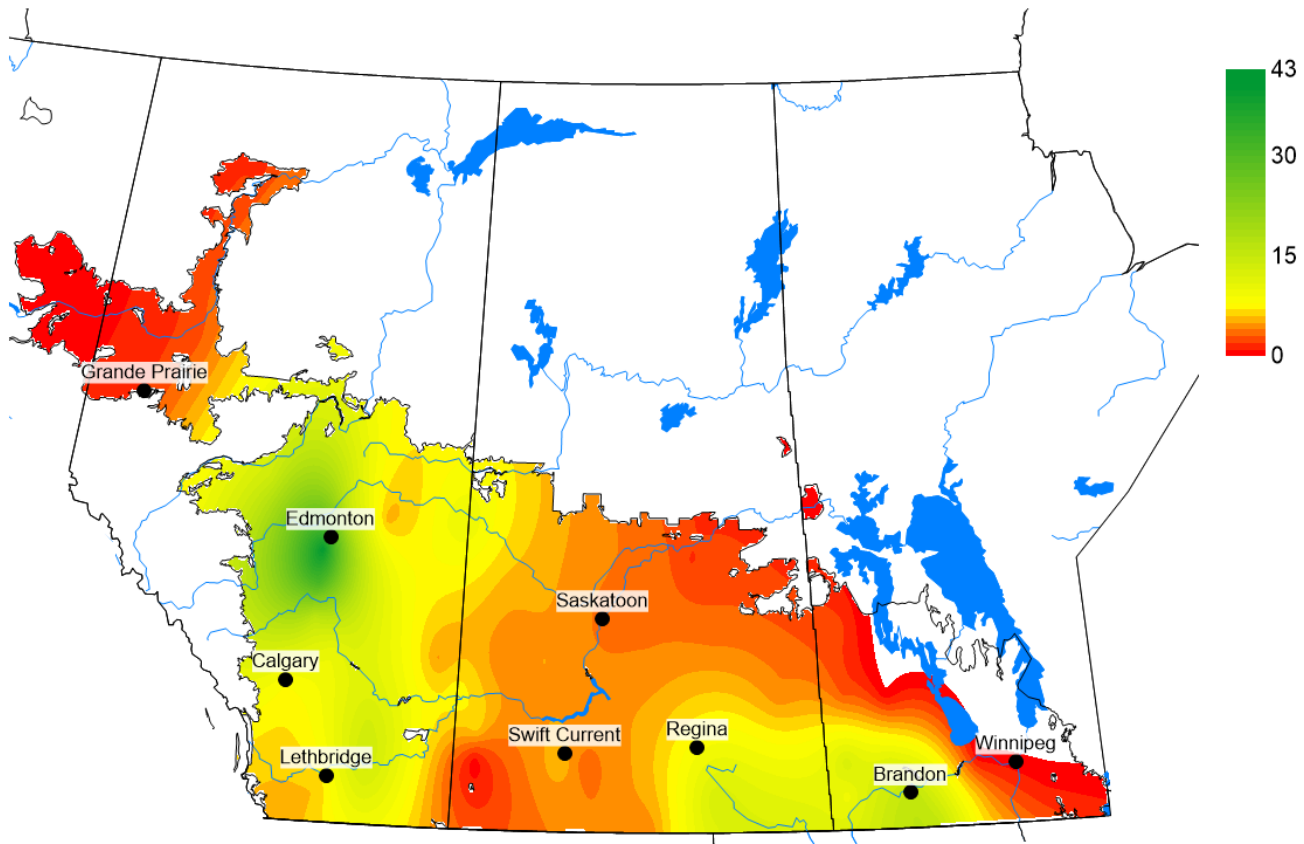


Figure 17. Seven day accumulated rainfall (mm), Prairie region May 20-26, 2025.

Growing season percent of normal rain (%) April 1 - May 26, 2025

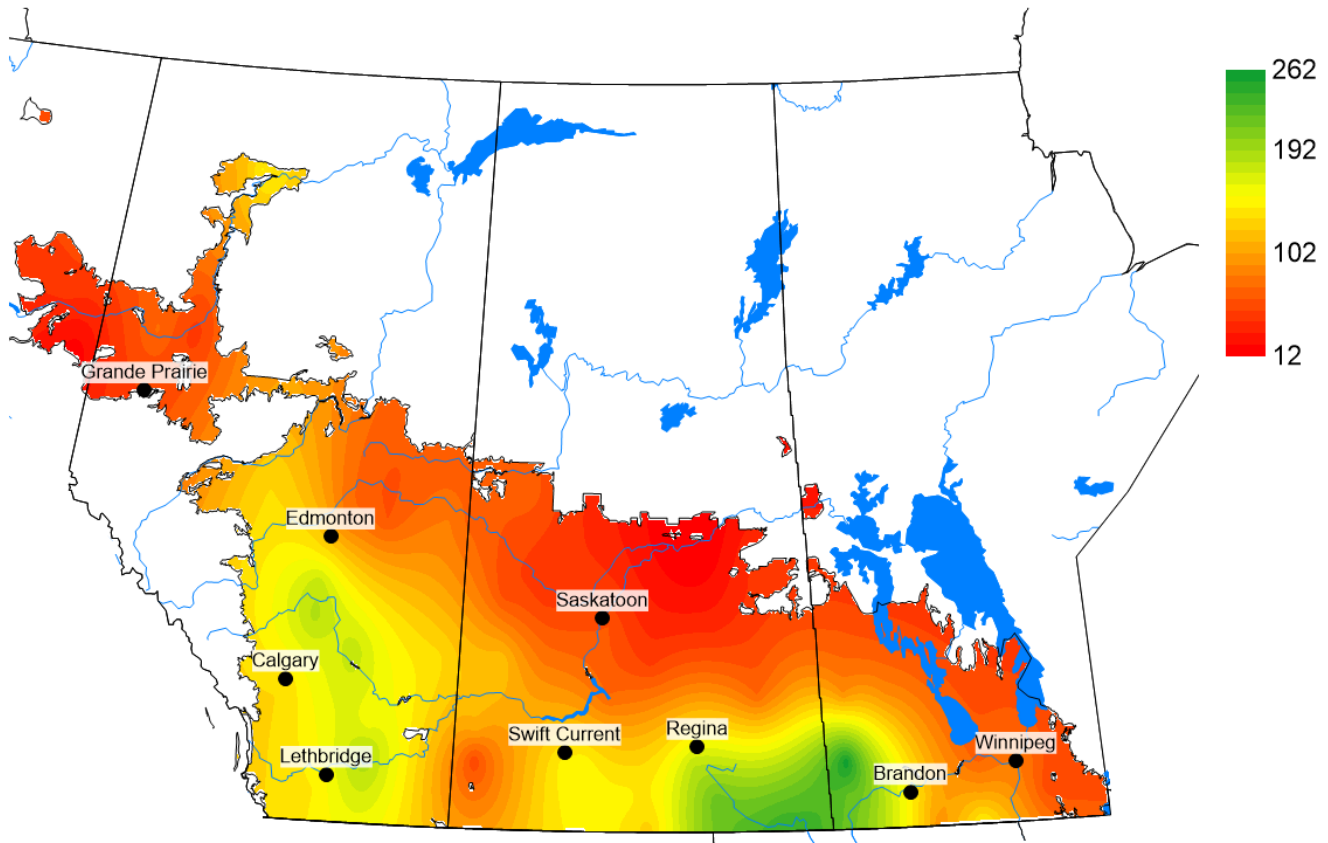


Figure 18. Growing season accumulated rainfall (mm) percent of normal, Prairie region April 1 - May 26, 2025.

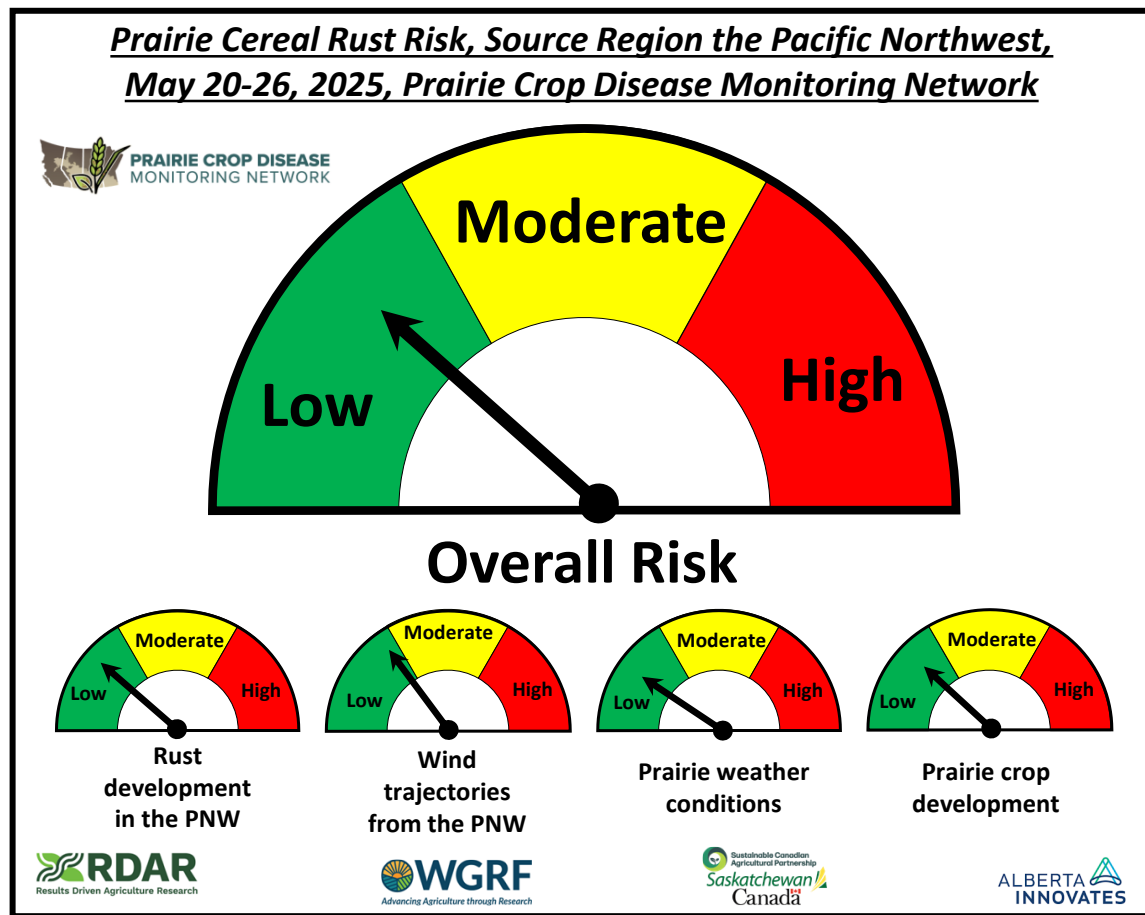


Figure 19. Prairie cereal risk speedometers for stripe rust from the Pacific Northwest, May 20-26, 2025.

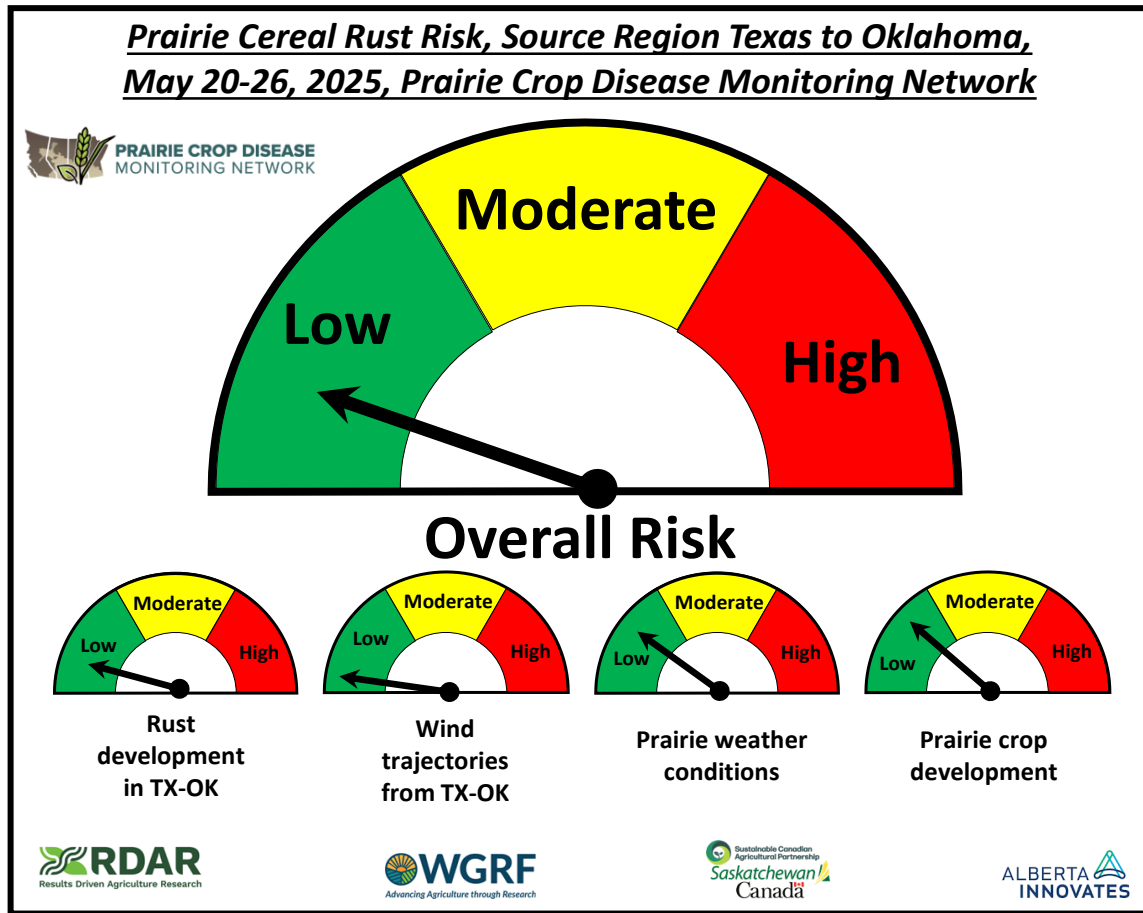
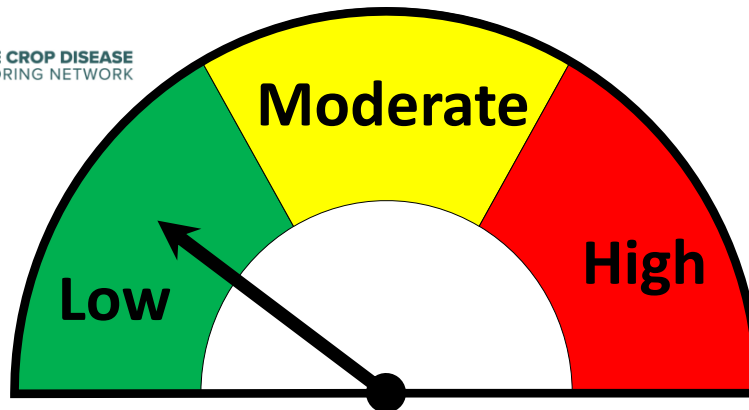
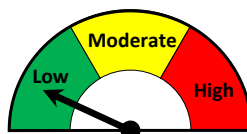


Figure. 20. Prairie cereal risk speedometers for stripe/leaf rust from the Texas to Oklahoma region, May 20-26, 2025.

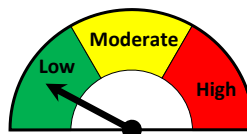
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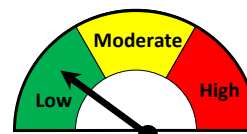
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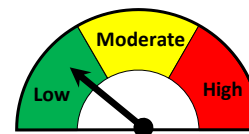
**Rust
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**Wind
trajectories
from KS-NE**



**Prairie weather
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**Prairie crop
development**



Figure. 21. Prairie cereal risk speedometers for stripe/leaf rust from the Kansas/Nebraska region, May 20-26, 2025.

Table 1. Reverse trajectory locations, arrival dates, and number of events, for reverse trajectory events originating from the Pacific Northwest region of the USA, May 20-26, 2025

Location	Province	20- May-25	21- May-25	22- May-25	23- May-25	24- May-25	25- May-25	26- May-25	Total trajectories/location
BEISEKER	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
CALGARY	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
EDMONTON	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
FORT ST-JOHN	BC	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
FORT VERMILION	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
GRANDE PRAIRIE	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
KINDERSLEY	SK	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
LACOMBE	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
LETHBRIDGE	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
MANNING	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
NORTH BATTLEFORD	SK	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
OLDS	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
PROVOST	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
RYCROFT	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
SEDGEWICK	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
SWIFT CURRENT	SK	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
VEGREVILLE	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
VULCAN	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
WANHAM	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Total trajectories per date		19	19	19	19	19	19	19	133

Table 2. Reverse trajectory locations, arrival dates, and number of events, for reverse trajectory events originating from Kansas and Nebraska, USA, May 20-26, 2025.

Location	Province	13-May-25	14-May-25	15-May-25	16-May-25	17-May-25	18-May-25	19-May-25	Total trajectories/ location
KINDERSLEY	SK	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
MEDICINE HAT	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
NORTH BATTLEFORD	SK	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
PROVOST	AB	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
UNITY	SK	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Total trajectories per date		5	5	5	5	5	5	5	35