



CROP WEATHER

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Agricultural Summary: Widespread precipitation limited fieldwork to an average of 4.2 days last week, Statewide. Topsoil moisture was rated 4 percent very short, 18 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated 11 percent very short, 36 percent short, 52 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

Field Crop Report: Ninety-eight percent of **corn** is mature, compared to 99 percent for both last year and the 5-year average. Sixty-four percent of corn has been harvested for grain, 13 points behind last year and 11 points behind the 5-year average. Ninety percent of the **soybeans** are dropping leaves, compared to 87 percent last year and 94 percent for the 5-year average. Fifty-two percent of the soybeans have been harvested, compared to 19 percent last year and 44 percent for the 5-year average. Soybean condition is rated 1 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 20 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 18 percent excellent. Ninety-six percent of **sorghum** is coloring, compared to 95 percent last year and 98 percent for the 5-year average. Sixty-eight percent of sorghum is mature, 5 points ahead of last year but 15 points behind the 5-year average. Twenty-seven percent of sorghum has been harvested for grain, compared to 26 percent last year and 47 percent for the 5-year average. Sorghum condition is rated 3 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 44 percent good, and 18 percent excellent. Ninety-three percent of the **sunflowers** are in the ray flowers dry stage, compared to 100 percent for both last year and the 5-year average. Eighty-one percent of the sunflowers are in the bracts yellow stage, compared to 99 percent for both last year and the 5-year average. Fifty percent of the sunflowers are in the mature dry down stage, compared to 81 percent last year and 86 percent for the 5-year average. Eighteen percent of the sunflowers have been harvested, compared to 33 percent last year and 38 percent for the 5-year average. Sunflower condition is rated 1 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 30 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 12 percent excellent. Seventy percent of **wheat** has been planted, compared to 73 percent last year and 74 percent for the 5-year average. Forty-three percent of the wheat has emerged, the same as last year but 1 point ahead of the 5-year average. Ninety percent of the **alfalfa** has been cut for the fourth time, compared to 71 percent last year and 85 percent for the 5-year average. **Cotton** condition is rated 7 percent very poor, 11 percent poor, 30 percent fair, 46 percent good, and 6 percent excellent.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions are rated 6 percent very poor, 20 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 34 percent good, and 3 percent excellent. Feed grain supplies are rated 2 percent very short, 7 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies are rated 1 percent very short, 9 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 16 percent surplus. Stock water supplies are rated 2 percent very short, 16 percent short, 81 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

Cooperating Agencies
Kansas State Research & Extension Service
Weather Data Library, KSU Research and Extension Service
Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service

CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 10/10/04

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Soybeans	1	9	20	52	18
Sorghum	3	10	25	44	18
Range & Pasture	6	20	37	34	3

CROP PROGRESS BY AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICT AS OF 10/10/04

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Wht Planted	90	84	64	60	72	73	62	51	33	70	52	73	74
Wht Emerged	66	62	37	27	44	49	18	19	16	43	24	43	42
Soyb Shed	100	99	84	98	94	97	100	92	68	90	85	87	94
Soyb Harvest	57	52	31	64	68	71	62	49	28	52	35	19	44
Sorg Colored	99	99	86	96	96	98	99	100	100	96	93	95	98
Sorg Mature	79	81	23	65	74	81	91	75	98	68	54	63	83
Sorg Harvest	21	13	5	18	42	36	39	32	73	27	18	26	47
Corn Harvest	50	38	53	59	86	78	67	79	94	64	51	77	75

DAYS SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 10/10/04

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	4.0	3.8	4.3	4.2	3.6	3.6	5.4	3.9	4.7	4.2	5.6	5.2	
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)													
Very Short	0	2	1	2	0	0	15	0	10	4	8	12	
Short	11	10	6	24	7	17	47	24	15	18	32	24	
Adequate	89	82	91	71	90	63	38	76	66	74	58	53	
Surplus	0	6	2	3	3	20	0	0	9	4	2	11	
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)													
Very Short	34	15	8	14	8	1	19	0	11	11	15	29	
Short	58	52	39	56	31	20	32	24	16	36	40	29	
Adequate	8	33	48	30	61	79	49	76	73	52	44	40	
Surplus	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 10/10/04

Station Dist	City	Temperature					Precip	Station Dist	City	Temperature					Precip
		Air		Soil 4"		Max				Air		Soil 4"		Max	
		Max	Min	Avq	Max					Min	Max	Min	Avq		
NW Colby		78	41	58	67	53	0.41	SC Hesston		82	47	63	83	65	0.92
WC Tribune		79	41	57	76	68	0.24	NE Powhatt		82	35	61	73	58	1.13
SW Grdn Cty		74	44	59	73	56	0.24	NE Manhat		83	33	60	82	65	0.14
NC Scandia		78	36	58	71	54	0.50	EC Ottawa		80	37	61	71	58	1.47
C Hays		76	45	61	72	55	0.87	EC Slvr Lk		86	32	61	72	60	0.29
SC Hutch		83	44	63	78	71	1.05	EC Rossvl		84	34	61	74	60	0.24
SC St John		76	50	62	70	60	0.33	SE Parsons		83	45	64	72	60	0.70

Data collected by Automated Stations (above) may differ from official stations (below). Automated stations report through midnight on Sunday. Official reporting station data are through 8:00 a.m. Sunday. The map data are collected by individuals (one or more per county).

PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 10, 2004

