



CROP WEATHER

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Agricultural Summary: Most of the State received precipitation over the week, although smaller amounts fell in the southwest. Producers averaged 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork last week with spraying of wheat and preparation for corn planting being the major activities. Topsoil moisture was rated 4 percent very short, 26 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated 18 percent very short, 39 percent short, and 43 percent adequate.

Field Crop Report: Forty-seven percent of the **wheat** has jointed, two points ahead of last year and eighteen points ahead of the 5-year average. Wheat condition was rated 6 percent very poor, 15 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 37 percent good, and 5 percent excellent. Wheat freeze damage reports indicated 89 percent of the wheat has not been damaged, 9 percent with light damage, and 2 percent with moderate damage. Reports of wind damage indicated 79 percent of the wheat with no damage, 15 percent with light damage, and 6 percent with moderate damage. Insect reports indicated 74 percent with no infestation, 18 percent with light infestation, 7 percent with moderate infestation, and 1 percent with severe infestation. Disease reports indicated 83 percent with no presence, 16 percent with light presence, and 1 percent with moderate presence. Seven percent of the **corn** has been planted, three points behind last year and one point behind the 5-year average. Seventy-one percent of **oats** have been planted, compared with 68 percent last year and 79 percent for the 5-year average.

Pasture and Range Report: Range and pasture conditions were rated 9 percent very poor, 21 percent poor, 42 percent fair, 27 percent good, and 1 percent excellent. Calving activities are finishing up. Feed grain supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 6 percent short, 91 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies were rated 4 percent very short, 16 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 11 percent very short, 25 percent short, and 64 percent adequate.

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CROP CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 04/09/06

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
04/09/06	6	15	37	37	5
04/02/06	7	16	39	34	4
04/10/05	1	3	20	54	22
Range & Pasture	9	21	42	27	1

CROP PROGRESS BY AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICT AS OF 04/09/06

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Wheat Joint	38	19	69	35	52	56	33	63	72	47	21	45	29

DAY SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 04/09/06

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	3.9	4.0	6.3	2.8	3.7	5.2	3.3	5.0	6.0	4.4	3.7	3.5
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	12	10	13	1	1	8	0	0	0	4	4	0
Short	13	32	39	12	31	54	13	13	39	26	28	7
Adequate	75	58	48	87	65	38	65	87	58	67	64	81
Surplus	0	0	0	0	3	0	22	0	3	3	4	12
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	25	23	31	14	35	26	4	1	16	18	17	1
Short	59	65	42	37	33	50	11	24	43	39	47	16
Adequate	16	12	27	49	31	24	85	75	41	43	36	80
Surplus	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 04/09/06

		Temperature					Precip			Temperature					
Station		Air		Soil 4"				Station		Air		Soil 4"			
Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min		Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	
NW	Colby	85	23	50	66	38	0.35	SC	Hesston	81	34	54	70	48	0.17
WC	Tribune	83	20	51	60	44	0.05	NE	Powhatt	84	32	55	67	49	0.13
SW	Grdn Cty	86	22	54	72	41	0.05	NE	Manhat	83	31	54	67	49	0.26
NC	Scandia	81	30	52	68	41	0.42	EC	Ottawa	82	28	55	67	47	0.02
C	Hays	85	31	53	70	41	0.01	EC	Slvr Lk	84	31	55	67	49	0.02
SC	Hutch	83	34	55	70	63	0.26	EC	Rossvl	83	31	55	67	49	0.03
SC	St John	82	33	54	70	63	0.07	SE	Parsons	79	30	56	64	51	0.11

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 APRIL 9, 2006

