



Crop Progress and Condition

Week Ending November 12, 2006

Agricultural Summary

Row crop harvesting moved ahead moderately in some areas of the State but progress in the southeastern district was again restricted by wet weather. **Topsoil moisture** supply is rated 15 percent very short, 28 percent short, 49 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Farmers in many areas of the State continue to be concerned about soil moisture for next year's crops and pastures, as well as the immediate need of more run-off for stock ponds. Counties reporting excessive moisture are mainly in the southeast district where the surplus rating averages 66 percent. There were 4.8 **days suitable for fieldwork**, with the extreme being only 1.4 days in the Bootheel.

Field Crops Report

Corn harvest is 97 percent complete, equal to last year but still slightly ahead of the 5-year average of 95 percent. Good progress was made in the northwest district where harvest moved to 91 percent complete but the area remains well behind the near-completion rate of the rest of the State. **Soybean** harvest advanced 3 points over last week to 88 percent complete, 8 days behind last year and 1 day behind normal. Bean harvesting is least advanced in the south-central and southeast districts, at 53 and 76 percent respectively, while all other districts range from 87 to 94 percent complete. More wet weather in the Bootheel has continued to delay soybean and cotton harvesting in that area. The **cotton** harvest is 71 percent complete, over 3 weeks behind last year and 2 weeks behind the 5-year average of 85 percent. Ninety-seven percent of the **sorghum** crop is harvested, 3 days ahead of last year and over a week ahead of average. **Winter wheat** seeding is 89 percent complete, 8 days behind last year but 1 day ahead of average. Planting progress ranges from 80 percent complete in the southeast district and 85 percent in the west-central, to 91 percent or more in all other districts. Wheat emergence of 71 percent is 5 days behind last year but similar to the 70 percent normal. Condition of the crop is rated 1 percent very poor, 11 percent poor, 42 percent fair, 45 percent good, and 1 percent excellent, a minor decline from last week.

Pasture & Livestock

Pasture condition is reported at 33 percent very poor, 21 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 18 percent good, and 1 percent excellent, a slight improvement from the previous week but still mostly poor or very poor in the northeast, west-central, central and southwest districts. Hay prices remain high due to limited pasture feed and hay shortages in many counties.

Weather Summary

Temperatures were above normal throughout the State during the past week, ranging from 5 to 7 degrees above average in the northern two-thirds of the State and 1 to 4 degrees above normal in most southern counties. **Rainfall** for the week averaged 0.54 inches, with considerable variation by area. District average amounts ranged from 0.08 inch in the northwest to 1.19 inches south-central and 1.89 inches in the southeast district.

District Summaries As Of November 12, 2006

	Missouri	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE
Days Suitable For Fieldwork										
This Year	4.8	5.9	4.9	5.1	5.4	5.7	4.3	6.4	3.5	1.4
Last Year	6.4	6.8	6.6	6.6	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.6	6.2
Topsoil Moisture Supply										
Very Short	15	5	2	18	25	29	1	39	17	0
Short	28	18	27	34	57	37	31	43	12	0
Adequate	49	75	70	48	18	31	62	18	69	34
Surplus	8	2	1	0	0	3	6	0	2	66
Corn Harvested, Percent										
This Year	97	91	98	97	100	99	99	100	100	100
Last Year	97	94	97	95	100	100	100	100	100	100
Normal	95									
Soybeans Harvested, Percent										
This Year	88	90	93	93	87	94	93	93	53	76
Last Year	95	94	95	96	98	94	93	98	98	97
Normal	89									
Sorghum Harvested, Percent										
This Year	97	97	97	97	100	95	94	99	100	99
Last Year	95	98	98	94	100	83	94	98	100	100
Normal	92									
Winter Wheat Planted, Percent										
This Year	89	93	95	96	85	91	92	98	91	80
Last Year	96	97	93	99	95	91	97	96	95	99
Normal	86									
Winter Wheat Emerged, Percent										
This Year	71	77	83	78	66	71	91	70	85	71
Last Year	81	75	73	90	77	69	86	82	82	86
Normal	70									
Winter Wheat Condition										
Very Poor	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	2
Poor	11	0	2	4	0	3	1	1	5	27
Fair	42	56	30	43	73	49	49	28	14	42
Good	45	41	59	50	27	48	49	71	76	29
Excellent	1	3	9	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pasture Condition										
Very Poor	33	3	9	29	54	45	13	65	27	0
Poor	21	9	20	38	31	23	30	16	16	0
Fair	27	46	40	28	15	23	46	14	15	15
Good	18	38	28	5	0	9	11	5	40	71
Excellent	1	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	14
Average Precipitation										
	0.54	0.08	0.38	0.30	0.13	0.28	0.61	0.26	1.19	1.89

