



CROP WEATHER

Kansas Agricultural Statistics

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Agricultural Summary: Kansas received moderate amounts of precipitation this past week, both in the form of rain and snow. Some counties in the Southwest reported amounts in excess of 24 inches of snow. Producers averaged 3.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture is rated as 7 percent very short, 28 percent short, 50 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture is rated as 6 percent very short, 23 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Field work has been limited this past week.

Field Crop Report: Thirteen percent of the **wheat** has jointed, compared to 10 percent last year, and 20 percent for the 5-year average. The wheat condition is rated as 4 percent very poor, 13 percent poor, 41 percent fair, 38 percent good, and 4 percent excellent. Wind damage to wheat has been rated at 77 percent with no damage, 16 percent with light damage, 5 percent with moderate damage, and 2 percent with severe damage. Freeze damage has been rated at 89 percent with no damage, 10 percent with light damage, and 1 percent with moderate freeze damage. Insect infestation of the wheat crop is rated at 86 percent none, 12 percent light, and 2 percent moderate. Disease infestation is rated at 84 percent none, 14 percent light, and 2 percent moderate. **Oats** planting is 91 percent complete, compared to 84 percent in 2008, and 65 percent for the 5-year average.

Feed Supplies Report: Feed grain supplies were rated as 9 percent short, 90 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies were rated as 12 percent short, 81 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated as 1 percent very short, 14 percent short, 83 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus.

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Crop Conditions for Week Ending 03/29/09

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat (Percent)					
03/29/09	4	13	41	38	4
03/22/09	5	13	39	39	4
03/30/08	5	15	36	36	8
Range & Pasture	10	16	35	35	4

Crop Progress by Agricultural Statistics District as of 03/29/09

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Wheat Jointed	5	2	20	0	15	9	0	11	38	13	5	10	20

Days Suitable and Moisture Conditions for Week Ending 03/29/09

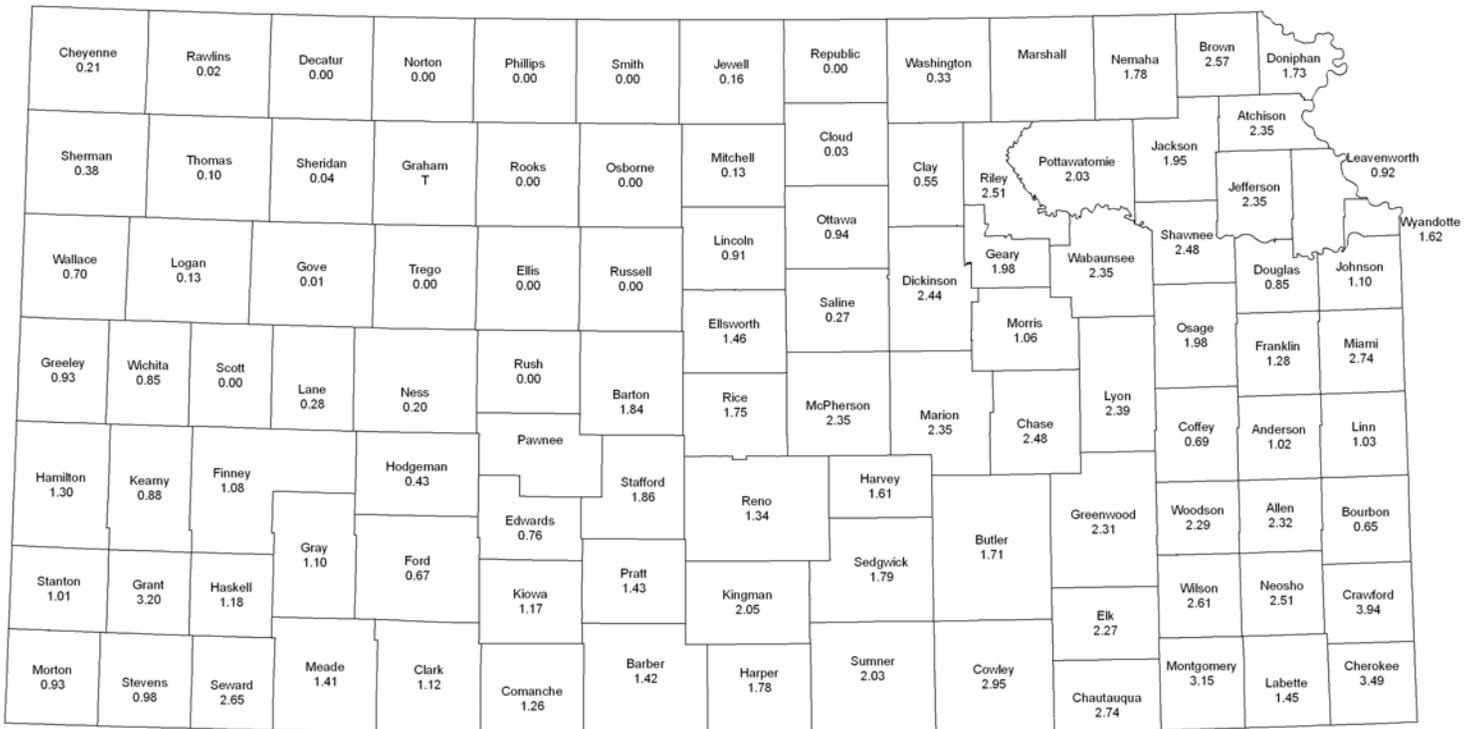
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable												
For Fieldwork	5.4	4.5	4.0	4.6	4.6	4.3	1.6	1.9	2.8	3.6	6.1	4.6
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	19	26	10	2	17	1	3	0	0	7	22	6
Short	61	54	41	58	40	15	3	3	5	28	35	16
Adequate	20	18	47	39	31	66	82	77	50	50	41	68
Surplus	0	2	2	1	12	18	12	20	45	15	2	10
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	0	27	49	0	1	2	3	0	0	6	9	5
Short	63	43	30	33	16	40	12	7	3	23	28	14
Adequate	37	29	19	66	74	58	81	89	73	64	62	73
Surplus	0	1	2	1	9	0	4	4	24	7	1	8

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 03/29/09 at 7:00 a.m.

Station		Temperature					Precip	Station		Temperature					Precip
		Air			Soil 4"					Air			Soil 4"		
Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min		Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	
NW	Colby	61	9	36	55	29	.06	SC	Hesston	73	24	41	57	39	.31
WC	Tribune	59	12	35	57	38	.00	NE	Powhatt	70	25	43	61	35	.69
SW	Garden Cty	66	9	37	62	34	.39	NE	Manhat	72	22	42	63	38	2.56
NC	Scandia	74	16	39	60	35	.09	EC	Ottawa	69	27	44	60	35	1.22
C	Hays	74	19	41	63	35	.07	EC	Slvr Lk	73	26	43	57	34	1.55
SC	Hutch	80	18	40	57	41	.13	EC	Rossvl	73	23	42	56	38	1.54
SC	St John	74	21	40	57	41	.16	SE	Parsons	67	26	45	59	42	.01

Data collected by Automated Stations (above) may differ from official stations (below). Automated stations report through midnight on Sunday. Official reporting stations data are through 7:00 a.m. Sunday. The map data are collected by individuals (one or more per county).

PRECIPITATION FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 29, 2009



T – Precipitation less than .005. Omission of an entry indicates report not received.