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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, April 7, 2014 -- For the week ending April 6, 2014, precipitation was limited except for a portion of eastern Kansas that received an inch or more of moisture, according to USDA's National Agriculture Statistics Service. Temperatures were near normal in the south, but 2 to 5 degrees cooler than normal in the north. Southwest Kansas continued to suffer through drought conditions, including days of high winds. Some farm operators were planting cover crops and others were preparing fields for row crop planting. Most farmers were waiting for soil temperatures to warm up and hoping for rain to boost the wheat crop. There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 24 percent very short, 44 short, 31 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 25 percent very short, 43 short, 32 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 8 percent very poor, 19 poor, 44 fair, 27 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 14 percent, compared to 21 last year and 32 average.

Corn planted was 4 percent complete, compared to 0 last year and 3 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Cattle and calf conditions were 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 32 fair, 56 good, and 6 excellent. Cattle and calf losses were 22 percent below normal, 77 normal, and 1 above normal. Sheep and lamb conditions were 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 39 fair, 57 good, and 3 excellent. Sheep and lamb losses were 16 percent below normal, 83 normal, and 1 above normal. Hay and forage supplies rated 6 percent very short, 13 short, 77 adequate, and 4 surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 13 percent very short, 23 short, 64 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Data for this release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and KSU Extension Service.

District level data is provided on the back page.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:

<http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2014/CropProg-04-07-2014.pdf>

Access the High Plains Regional Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=KS®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?KS>

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**Days Suitable and Soil Moisture by District
for the Week Ending April 6, 2014**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.2	5.4	6.1	5.1	5.9	6.4	3.9	4.5	6.0	5.9	6.2	4.6
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	41	32	46	30	22	12	4	14	12	24	24	17
Short	38	48	42	39	52	63	17	35	33	44	44	29
Adequate	21	19	12	30	26	25	75	50	51	31	32	51
Surplus	0	1	0	1	0	0	4	1	4	1	0	3
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	39	32	50	37	19	10	2	10	13	25	23	38
Short	45	53	36	39	56	46	33	38	30	43	43	40
Adequate	16	15	14	24	25	44	64	51	57	32	34	21
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Jointed	0	4	16	1	11	35	2	12	18	14	5	21