



CROP WEATHER

Kansas Agricultural Statistics

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Agricultural Summary: Very light precipitation fell across the State, most in the south-eastern corner. Producers averaged 4.8 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was rated at 6 percent very short, 16 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated at 5 percent very short, 14 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Primary farm activity involved fertilizing pastures, top dressing wheat, weed control, preparing for corn planting, and seeding oats.

Field Crop Report: **Wheat** is estimated at 10 percent jointed, compared to 38 percent in 2007 and 22 percent for a 5-year average. Wheat condition was rated 5 percent very poor, 15 percent poor, 36 percent fair, 36 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Wind damage to the wheat crop across the state was 88 percent no damage, 9 percent having light damage, 2 percent with moderate damage, and 1 percent with severe wind damage. Freeze damage to wheat has been rated at 89 percent with no damage, 10 percent with light damage, and 1 percent of the wheat has moderate freeze damage. Overall winterkill to the 2008 wheat crop was rated at 86 percent with no winterkill, 11 percent with light winterkill, 2 percent with moderate winterkill, and 1 percent with severe winterkill. Reports place the amount of the wheat crop acreage that has been lost to winterkill at 4 percent of the total. Insect infestation of the wheat crop is rated at 91 percent none, 8 percent light, and 1 percent moderate. Disease infestation is rated at 86 percent none, 13 percent light, and 1 percent moderate. **Oats** planted is 87 percent complete, compared to 63 percent for both 2007 and the 5-year average.

Feed Supplies Report: Range and pasture conditions were rated at 6 percent very poor, 16 percent poor, 36 percent fair, 39 percent good, and 3 percent excellent. Feed grain supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 13 percent short, 83 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 18 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were estimated at 3 percent very short, 10 percent short, 81 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Livestock activities primarily involved calving and lambing around the State. Some areas reported the burning of pastures.

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Crop Conditions for Week Ending 03/30/08

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
03/30/08	5	15	36	36	8
03/23/08	3	14	35	40	8
04/01/07	1	3	19	53	24
Range & Pasture	6	16	36	39	3

Crop Progress by Agricultural Statistics District as of 03/30/08

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Wheat Joint	5	4	17	2	7	23	3	2	28	10	9	38	22

Days Suitable and Moisture Conditions for Week Ending 03/30/08

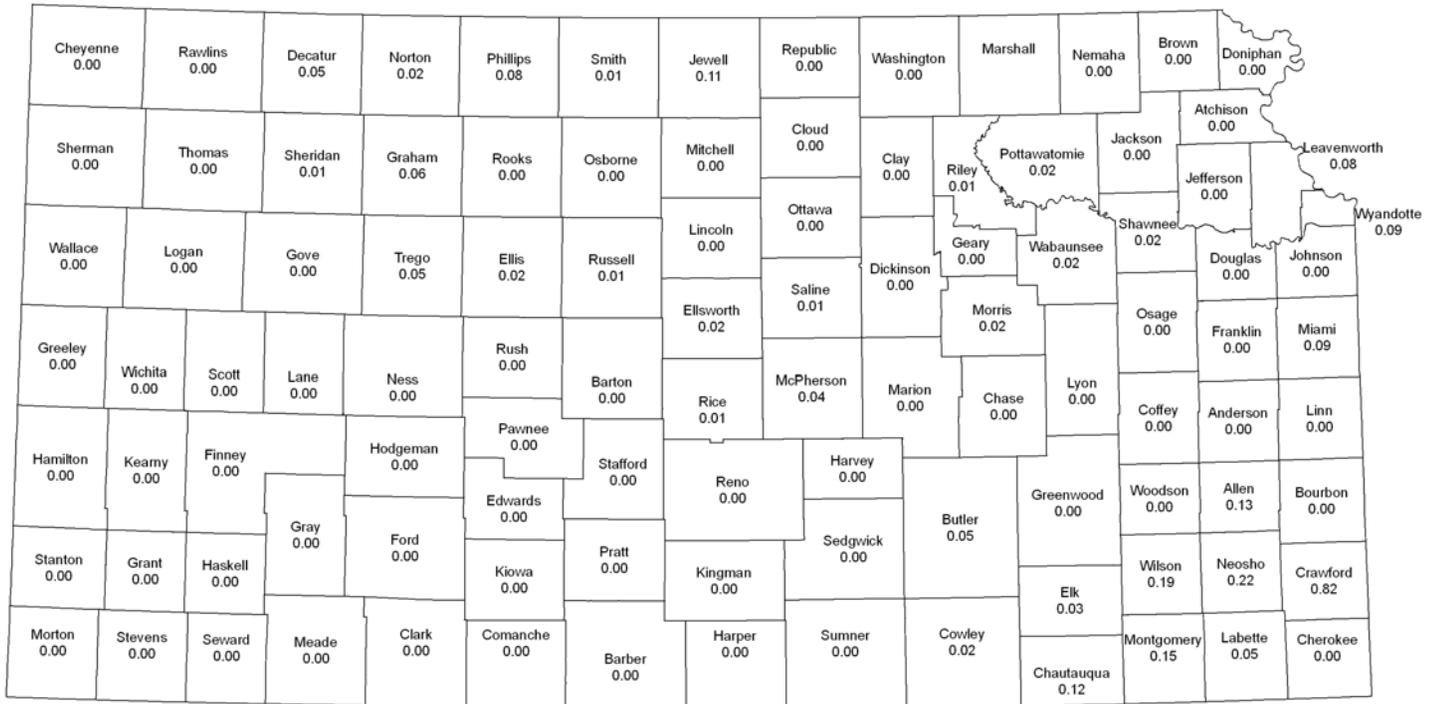
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	
Days Suitable For Fieldwork	4.5	6.3	7.0	5.0	4.9	6.2	3.3	3.1	4.0	4.8	3.5	1.9	
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)													
Very Short	3	28	42	0	0	6	0	0	0	6	3	1	
Short	39	51	52	7	11	30	0	0	0	16	16	3	
Adequate	58	21	6	93	83	62	83	86	59	68	66	76	
Surplus	0	0	0	0	6	2	17	14	41	10	15	20	
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)													
Very Short	7	24	29	1	0	4	0	0	0	5	3	2	
Short	46	50	41	11	12	11	0	0	0	14	14	15	
Adequate	47	26	30	88	82	84	84	88	70	73	72	78	
Surplus	0	0	0	0	6	1	16	12	30	8	11	5	

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 03/30/08

Station		Temperature					Precip	Station		Temperature					Precip
Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min		Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	
NW	Colby	74	23	46	58	38	.01	SC	Hesston	62	30	47	57	39	.07
WC	Tribune	77	21	47	59	41	.00	NE	Powhatt	63	21	45	53	39	.03
SW	Garden Cty	72	24	45	57	42	.01	NE	Manhat	64	28	46	50	37	.04
NC	Scandia	68	27	44	51	34	.03	EC	Ottawa	64	25	47	53	39	.11
C	Hays	71	28	45	61	32	.01	EC	Slvr Lk	63	27	46	49	37	.02
SC	Hutch	65	33	47	50	43	.02	EC	Rossvl	62	25	46	48	38	.01
SC	St John	70	32	46	55	37	.01	SE	Parsons	79	26	53	61	39	.11

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 8:00 a.m. Sunday. The map data are collected by individuals (one or more per county).

PRECIPITATION FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 30, 2008



Omission of an entry indicates report not received.