



CROP WEATHER

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Agricultural Summary: Cooler temperatures, along with precipitation, heavy in some areas, limited field work to an average of 4.5 days for the week. Topsoil moisture is rated at 7 percent very short, 19 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture is rated at 11 percent very short, 25 percent short, 57 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Primary farm activities involved cutting hay, irrigating and spraying herbicides on row crops, preparing for silage harvest and wheat planting.

Field Crop Report: **Corn** is 96 percent silked, compared to 100 percent in 2007 and 99 percent for the 5-year average. Fifty-six percent is in the dough stage, compared to 75 percent last year and 72 percent for the 5-year average. Eighteen percent has dented, compared to 32 percent in 2007 and 31 percent for the 5-year average. Corn condition is rated 4 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 41 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. **Sorghum** is 54 percent headed, compared to 62 percent for both the previous year and the 5-year average. Seven percent is coloring, compared to 6 percent last year and 9 percent for the 5-year average. Sorghum condition is rated 3 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 50 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. **Soybeans** are 83 percent blooming, the same as last year but behind the 5-year average of 88 percent. Fifty-five percent are setting pods, compared to 54 percent previous year and 63 percent for the 5-year average. Soybean condition is rated 1 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 28 percent fair, 54 percent good, and 13 percent excellent. Fifty percent of **cotton** is setting bolls, compared to 82 percent for the previous year and 65 percent for the 5-year average. Cotton condition is rated 5 percent very poor, 15 percent poor, 40 percent fair, 35 percent good, and 5 percent excellent. Forty-one percent of **sunflowers** are blooming, compared to 70 percent last year and 60 percent for the 5-year average. Three percent is in the ray flower dry stage, the same as 2007 but behind the 5-year average of 6 percent. Sunflower condition is rated 1 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 56 percent good, and 7 percent excellent. Seventy-six percent of the third cutting of **alfalfa** has been completed, compared to 73 percent for the previous year and 79 percent for the 5-year average. Five percent of the fourth cutting has been completed, compared to 8 percent last year and 12 percent for the 5-year average.

Feed Supplies Report: Range and pasture conditions were rated at 10 percent very poor, 12 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 45 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Feed grain supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 8 percent short, 89 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 7 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were estimated at 5 percent very short, 5 percent short, 84 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus.

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Crop Conditions for Week Ending 08/10/08

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	4	10	37	41	8
Sorghum	3	9	29	50	9
Soybeans	1	4	28	54	13
Cotton	5	15	40	35	5
Sunflowers	1	7	29	56	7
Range & Pasture	10	12	25	45	8

Crop Progress by Agricultural Statistics District as of 08/10/08

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Corn Silked	97	96	97	100	99	99	100	100	100	96	94	100	99
Corn Dough	36	50	24	92	86	83	69	74	89	56	46	75	72
Corn Dent	3	1	1	60	39	16	21	27	52	18	7	32	31
Sorghum Headed	51	48	32	74	52	53	75	42	65	54	34	62	62
Sorghum Coloring	4	4	0	5	13	13	10	3	12	7	2	6	9
Soybeans Blooming	90	100	69	97	90	85	97	85	51	83	77	83	88
Soybeans Podded	35	75	34	81	47	54	67	45	30	55	41	54	63

Days Suitable and Moisture Conditions for Week Ending 08/10/08

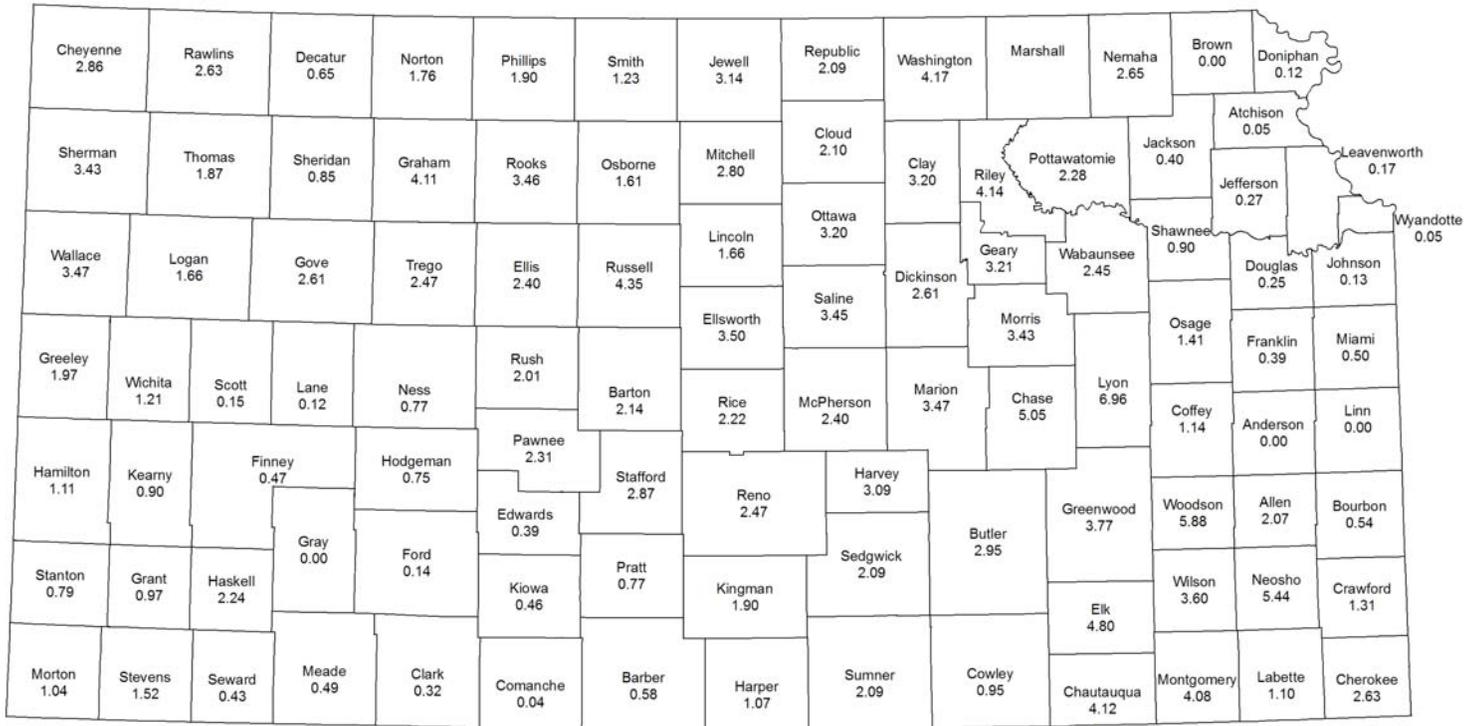
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable For Fieldwork	3.3	4.0	4.9	4.4	3.3	5.1	5.9	5.0	4.3	4.5	5.5	5.8
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	0	1	46	1	1	4	1	4	0	7	14	7
Short	18	34	38	4	5	39	26	10	0	19	28	38
Adequate	58	61	15	88	81	57	69	84	77	65	56	53
Surplus	24	4	1	7	13	0	4	2	23	9	2	2
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	11	3	67	1	4	3	0	2	0	11	12	4
Short	35	55	25	43	15	28	25	19	2	25	24	32
Adequate	34	42	8	52	75	69	70	76	75	57	61	62
Surplus	20	0	0	4	6	0	5	3	23	7	3	2

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 08/10/08 at 7:00 a.m.

Station		Temperature					Precip	Station		Temperature					Precip
Dist	City	Air			Soil 4"			Dist	City	Air			Soil 4"		
		Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	Max			Min	Avg	Max	Min		
NW	Colby	93	61	73	92	66	1.88	SC	Hesston	104	64	76	96	71	1.88
WC	Tribune	100	61	74	84	71	1.60	NE	Powhatt	99	57	75	93	69	.14
SW	Garden Cty	103	64	77	93	74	.77	NE	Manhat	103	54	76	93	74	3.38
NC	Scandia	94	56	75	90	69	1.48	EC	Ottawa	97	61	78	93	69	.83
C	Hays	99	61	75	98	69	2.71	EC	Slvr Lk	100	59	77	90	74	.89
SC	Hutch	103	63	77	84	73	.87	EC	Rossvl	97	59	77	87	75	1.16
SC	St John	105	68	79	94	70	.22	SE	Parsons	100	64	78	91	73	1.49

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 AUGUST 10, 2008 at 7:00 a.m.



Omission of an entry indicates report not received.