



# CROP WEATHER

## Kansas Agricultural Statistics

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**Agricultural Summary:** Most areas of Kansas received no precipitation with the exception of the Northeast and a few areas in the Central. Producers across the State averaged 6.3 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture is rated as 6 percent very short, 13 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture is rated as 7 percent very short, 12 percent short, 77 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Primary farm activities involved cutting hay, planting wheat, and harvesting corn, soybeans, and sorghum.

**Field Crop Report:** Thirty-seven percent of the **wheat** has been planted, compared to 30 percent in 2007 and 38 percent for the 5-year average. Eleven percent has emerged, compared to 8 percent the previous year and 14 percent for the 5-year average. Seventy-five percent of **corn** has matured, compared to 97 percent last year and 95 percent for the 5-year average. Twenty-one percent has been harvested, compared to 51 percent for 2007 and 49 percent for the 5-year average. Corn condition is rated as 2 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 30 percent fair, 50 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Eighty-four percent of the **sorghum** is coloring, compared to 100 percent last year and 92 percent for the 5-year average. Twenty-nine percent is rated mature, compared to 57 percent for 2007 and 50 percent for the 5-year average. Four percent has been harvested, compared to 11 percent last year and 15 percent for the 5-year average. Sorghum condition is rated as 1 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 31 percent fair, 49 percent good, and 10 percent excellent. Fifty-eight percent of the **soybeans** are dropping leaves, compared to 70 percent last year and 73 percent for the 5-year average. Two percent has been harvested, compared to 8 percent previous year and 12 percent for the 5-year average. Soybean condition is rated as 4 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 19 percent excellent. Fifty percent of **cotton** is in the bolls open stage, compared to 30 percent last year and 37 percent for the 5-year average. Cotton condition is rated as 5 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 30 percent fair, 45 percent good, and 10 percent excellent. Eighty-six percent of the **sunflowers** are in the ray flower dry stage, compared to 88 percent in 2007 and 89 percent for the 5-year average. Seventy percent are in the bracts yellow stage, compared to 74 percent for the previous year and 76 percent for the 5-year average. Ten percent are mature, compared to 33 percent for last year and 37 for the 5-year average. Sunflower condition is rated as 5 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 63 percent good, and 7 percent excellent. Seventy-three percent of the fourth cutting of **alfalfa** has been completed, compared to 77 percent for both the previous year and the 5-year average.

**Feed Supplies Report:** Range and pasture conditions were rated as 6 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 51 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. Feed grain supplies were rated as 3 percent very short, 9 percent short, 86 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies were rated as 1 percent very short, 8 percent short, 81 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated as 1 percent very short, 6 percent short, 87 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus.

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### Crop Conditions for Week Ending 09/28/08

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	2	10	30	50	8
Sorghum	1	9	31	49	10
Soybeans	0	4	25	52	19
Cotton	5	10	30	45	10
Sunflowers	0	5	25	63	7
Range & Pasture	6	7	27	51	9

### Crop Progress by Agricultural Statistics District as of 09/28/08

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Wheat Planted	61	52	73	39	15	21	13	6	9	37	12	30	38
Wheat Emerged	16	21	20	12	2	4	1	0	5	11	2	8	14
Corn Mature	47	69	62	97	85	95	79	87	92	75	60	97	95
Corn Harvested	10	17	21	24	33	35	10	19	53	21	11	51	49
Sorghum Coloring	91	89	55	92	86	94	100	83	91	84	77	100	92
Sorghum Mature	24	24	35	37	29	57	59	21	58	29	18	57	50
Sorghum Harvested	0	1	1	4	6	11	0	2	17	4	3	11	15
Soybeans Dropping	90	63	62	82	64	64	78	47	22	58	41	70	73
Soybeans Harvested	1	3	4	0	3	7	2	0	1	2	0	8	12

### Days Suitable and Moisture Conditions for Week Ending 09/28/08

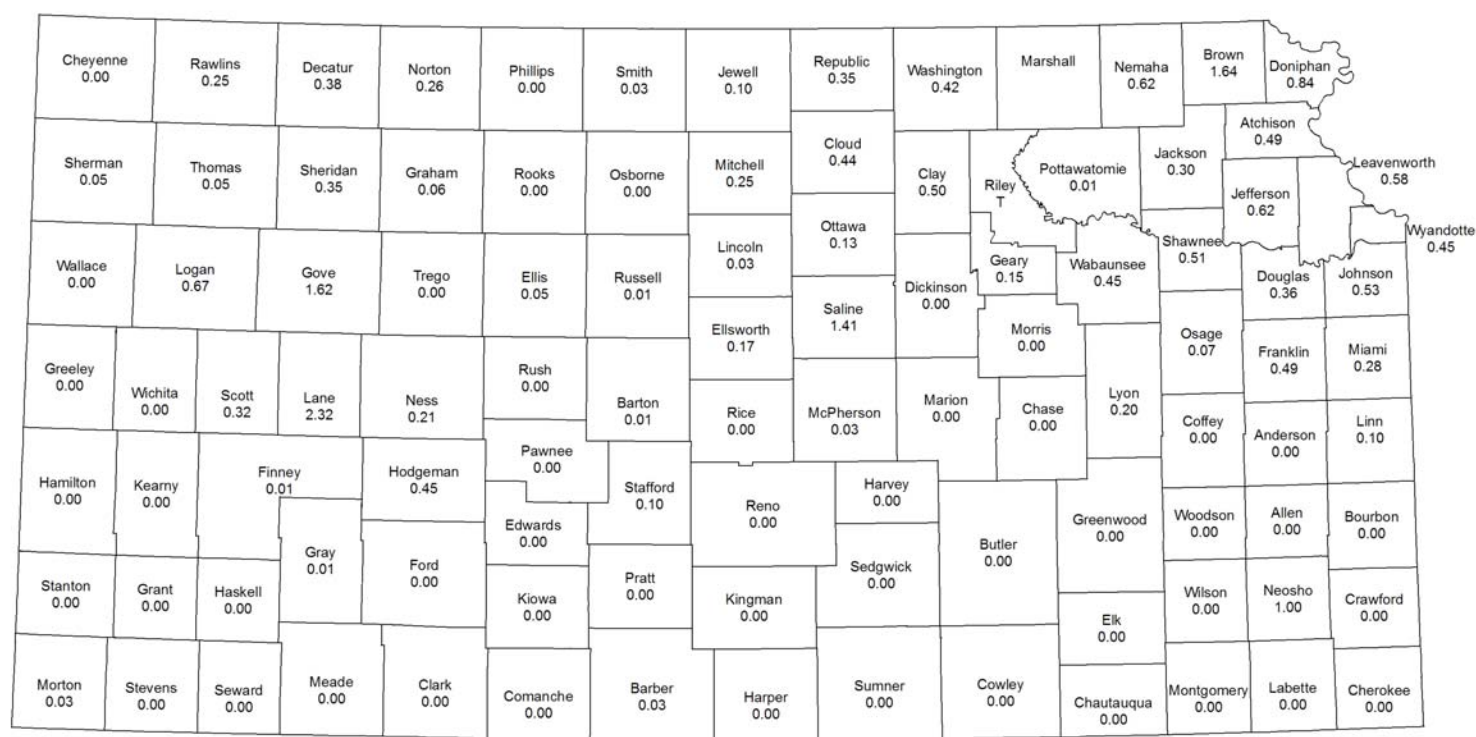
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable For Fieldwork	6.5	6.0	7.0	5.9	6.4	6.5	5.4	6.0	6.7	6.3	5.0	6.0
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	0	35	26	0	1	0	0	0	0	6	4	10
Short	31	22	34	3	16	15	0	2	9	13	8	37
Adequate	68	36	40	97	82	84	79	95	90	78	77	53
Surplus	1	7	0	0	1	1	21	3	1	3	11	0
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	3	28	42	0	3	0	0	0	0	7	7	5
Short	34	33	24	14	9	8	0	2	2	12	10	42
Adequate	63	38	33	86	81	92	75	98	98	77	74	53
Surplus	0	1	1	0	7	0	25	0	0	4	9	0

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 09/28/08 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	92	49	71	82	62	.04	SC	Hesston	88	57	73	85	68	.00
WC	Tribune	91	49	70	75	66	.00	NE	Powhatt	86	54	71	83	64	.00
SW	Garden Cty	91	50	72	82	68	.00	NE	Manhat	90	54	72	82	65	.00
NC	Scandia	91	56	73	77	63	.14	EC	Ottawa	88	56	72	78	64	.00
C	Hays	92	52	73	86	64	.07	EC	Slvr Lk	88	57	73	76	68	.86
SC	Hutch	87	55	73	73	67	.02	EC	Rossvl	90	56	73	75	69	.12
SC	St John	81	43	66	81	60	.00	SE	Parsons	86	56	71	74	67	.00

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 SEPTEMBER 28, 2008 at 7:00 a.m.



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