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Agricultural Summary: Precipitation was scant across the State, with a few counties receiving nominal amounts of moisture. Producers across the State averaged 6.7 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture is rated as 7 percent very short, 21 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture is rated as 8 percent very short, 15 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Primary farm activities involved cutting hay, planting wheat, and harvesting corn, soybeans, sorghum, and sunflowers.

Field Crop Report: Sixty-four percent of the **wheat** has been planted compared to 50 percent in 2007 and 59 percent for the 5-year average. Thirty-one percent has emerged, compared to 19 percent previous year and 27 percent for the 5-year average. Eighty-four percent of **corn** is mature, compared to 99 percent last year and 97 percent for the 5-year average. Thirty-four percent has been harvested, compared to 65 percent for 2007 and 63 percent for the 5-year average. Corn condition is rated as 2 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 34 percent fair, 46 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. Ninety percent of the **sorghum** is coloring, compared to 100 percent last year and 95 percent for the 5-year average. Forty-one percent is mature, compared to 76 percent for 2007 and 63 percent for the 5-year average. Ten percent has been harvested, compared to 23 percent last year and 24 percent for the 5-year average. Sorghum condition is rated as 1 percent very poor, 8 percent poor, 32 percent fair, 46 percent good, and 13 percent excellent. Seventy-six percent of **soybeans** are dropping leaves, compared to 83 percent last year and 85 percent for the 5-year average. Twenty-one percent has been harvested, compared to 23 percent previous year and 25 percent for the 5-year average. Soybean condition is rated as 4 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 48 percent good, and 21 percent excellent. Sixty-five percent of **cotton** is in the bolls open stage, compared to 53 percent last year and 52 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. Ninety-three percent of the **sunflowers** are in the ray flower dry stage, compared to 98 percent in 2007 and 95 percent for the 5-year average. Eighty-two percent are in the bracts yellow stage, compared to 85 percent for the previous year and 86 percent for the 5-year average. Twenty-nine percent is mature, compared to 53 percent for last year and 55 for the 5-year average. Three percent has been harvested, compared to 12 percent in 2007 and 17 percent for the 5-year average. Sunflower condition is rated as 5 percent poor, 28 percent fair, 59 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Eighty percent of the fourth cutting of **alfalfa** has been completed, compared to 84 percent last year and 83 percent for the 5-year average.

Feed Supplies Report: Range and pasture conditions were rated as 6 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 28 percent fair, 48 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. Feed grain supplies were rated as 4 percent very short, 8 percent short, 86 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies were rated as 1 percent very short, 10 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were estimated as 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, 91 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

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Crop Conditions for Week Ending 10/5/08

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	2	9	34	46	9
Sorghum	1	8	32	46	13
Soybeans	0	4	27	48	21
Cotton	5	10	30	45	10
Sunflowers	0	5	28	59	8
Range & Pasture	6	9	28	48	9

Crop Progress by Agricultural Statistics District as of 10/5/08

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Wheat Planted	85	72	90	69	58	53	30	20	17	64	37	50	59
Wheat Emerged	54	39	47	34	16	28	12	5	15	31	11	19	27
Corn Mature	66	74	72	98	90	99	91	95	98	84	75	99	97
Corn Harvested	21	32	39	32	48	60	24	49	74	34	21	65	63
Sorghum Coloring	97	95	60	95	94	98	100	89	98	90	84	100	95
Sorghum Mature	36	36	47	48	37	75	71	31	77	41	29	76	63
Sorghum Harvested	4	5	4	10	10	25	4	6	34	10	4	23	24
Soybeans Dropping	96	82	76	91	84	81	93	61	40	76	58	83	85
Soybeans Harvested	38	20	11	40	15	26	27	5	9	21	2	23	25

Days Suitable and Moisture Conditions for Week Ending 10/5/08

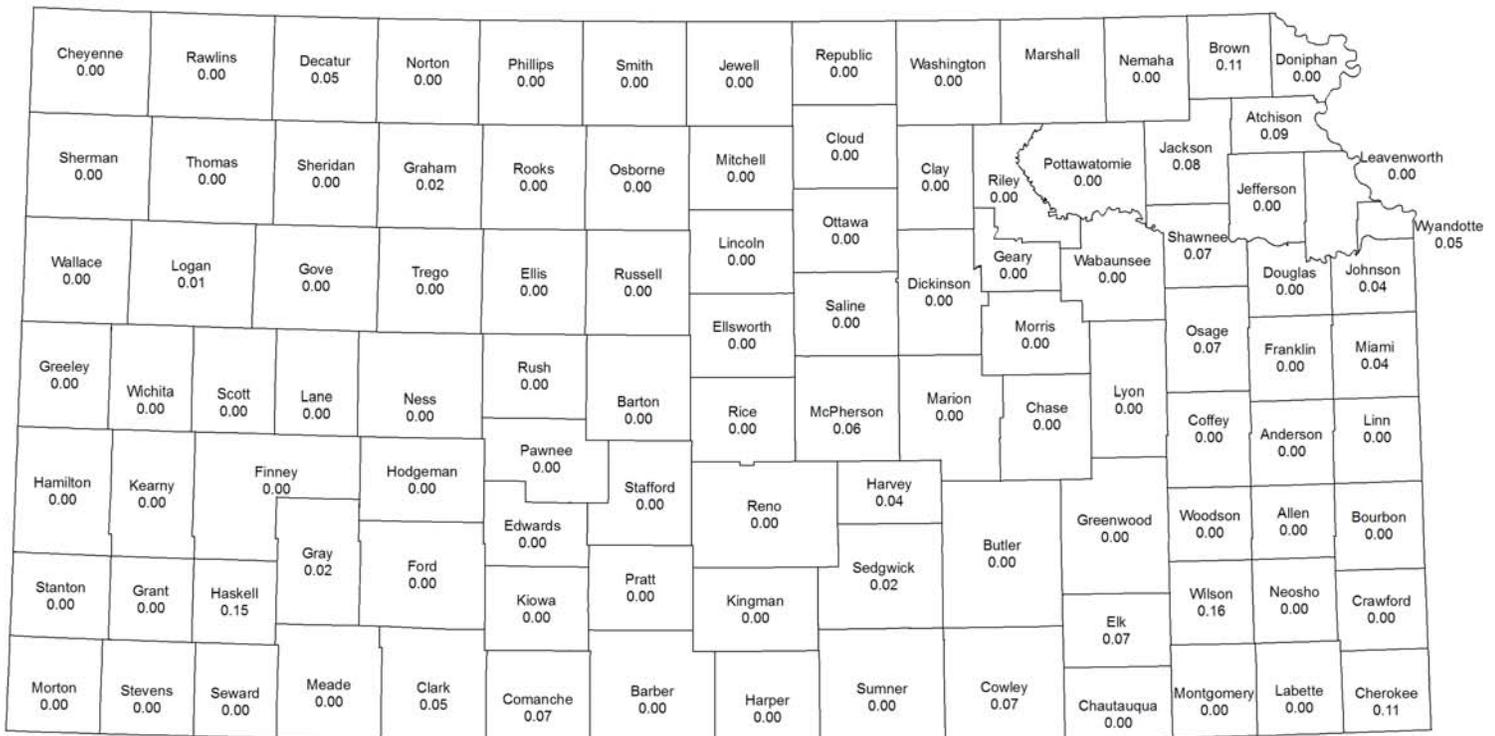
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable For Fieldwork	6.9	7.0	6.6	6.9	6.6	7.0	6.4	6.6	6.9	6.7	6.3	6.2
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	6	48	31	1	3	2	0	0	0	7	6	10
Short	47	20	26	10	25	28	3	19	19	21	13	40
Adequate	47	32	43	85	61	69	93	79	80	69	78	50
Surplus	0	0	0	4	11	1	4	2	1	3	3	0
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	11	40	36	1	3	0	0	0	0	8	7	7
Short	37	29	25	18	13	15	1	3	7	15	12	40
Adequate	52	31	38	78	78	85	81	97	93	74	77	53
Surplus	0	0	1	3	6	0	18	0	0	3	4	0

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 10/5/08 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	85	39	62	78	57	.00	SC	Hesston	83	39	63	80	60	.09
WC	Tribune	88	42	63	73	63	.02	NE	Powhatt	83	39	61	75	53	.00
SW	Garden Cty	89	42	64	78	64	.10	NE	Manhat	81	37	61	77	60	.00
NC	Scandia	82	36	62	74	54	.00	EC	Ottawa	81	41	63	74	56	.00
C	Hays	81	38	62	81	54	.00	EC	Slvr Lk	81	38	61	73	59	.13
SC	Hutch	82	39	63	76	61	.00	EC	Rossvl	83	37	62	74	62	.11
SC	St John	83	38	64	78	58	.00	SE	Parsons	79	40	63	71	60	.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 OCTOBER 5, 2008 at 7:00 a.m.



Omission of an entry indicates report not received.