



CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

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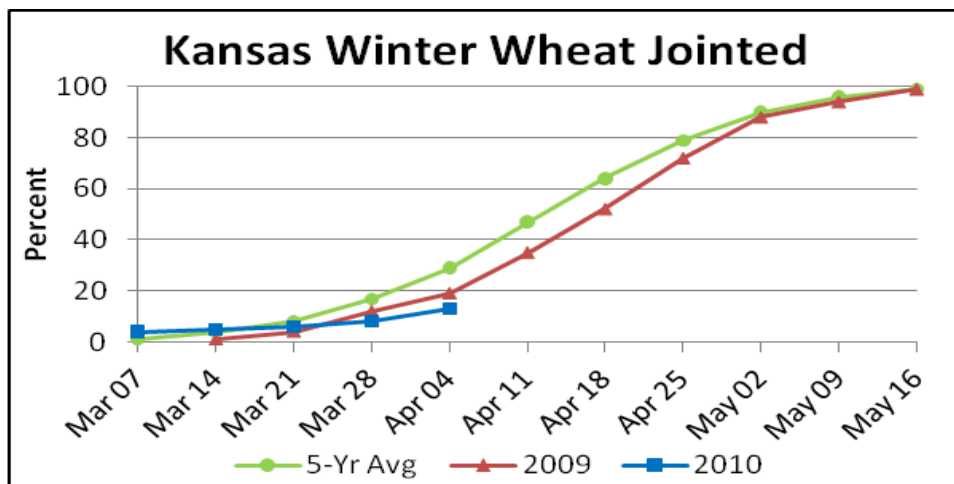
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For the week ending April 4, 2010

Agricultural Summary: Warmer temperatures and strong winds dried soils down enough to allow some producers to get into their fields last week. High temperatures were in the 80's across most of the state, with the exception of the North and South Central Districts reaching into the upper 70's. Kansas received little precipitation last week, with the majority of the West and Central Districts receiving no precipitation at all. Scattered showers in the Eastern Districts did bring some moisture, but only five counties reported more than a half inch. These counties were led by Leavenworth which received 0.83 inch. These conditions allowed producers to average 4.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated at 4 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 27 percent surplus. The subsoil moisture supplies were rated at 1 percent very short, 5 percent short, 70 percent adequate, and 24 percent surplus. Producers were busy with fertilizer and herbicide applications, planting corn in a few areas of the State, and stripping some of last year's cotton in the southeast.

Field Crop Report: Higher temperatures and little precipitation allowed the **winter wheat** crop to progress this week, and for a few producers to start planting corn. Wheat breaking dormancy advanced 6 points and wheat jointed advanced 5 points in the last week. Ninety-four percent of the wheat crop has broken dormancy, and of that, 13 percent is now jointed, behind 19 percent for last year and the 5-year average of 29 percent. Wheat condition was rated as 1 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 57 percent good, and 12 percent excellent. Wind damage to the wheat crop was reported at 86 percent with none, 13 percent with light damage, and 1 percent with moderate damage. Eighty-six percent of the wheat crop was reported with no freeze damage, 13 percent with light damage, and 1 percent with moderate damage. Minimal insect and disease infestation was reported with only 3 percent with light insect damage and only 4 percent with light disease damage. Corn farmers just started to plant their crop last week with 1 percent planted by Sunday, behind 4 percent last year, and the 5-year average of 3 percent.

Feed Supplies Report: Range and pasture conditions were rated at 2 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 28 percent fair, 57 percent good, and 6 percent excellent. Feed grain supplies were rated at 3 percent short, 88 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies were rated at 1 percent very short, 10 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated at 1 percent very short, 2 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Some ranchers were burning pastures last week, though dangerously high winds limited their efforts in some areas.



Crop Conditions for the Week Ending 04/04/10

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat			(Percent)		
04/04/10	1	5	25	57	12
03/28/10	1	4	25	58	12
04/05/09	4	13	44	36	3
Range & Pasture	2	7	28	57	6

Crop Progress by Agricultural Statistics District for the Week Ending 04/04/10

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Winter Wheat													
Breaking Dormancy	88	91	97	86	100	100	97	94	97	94	88	NA	NA
Winter Wheat Jointed	12	13	18	1	19	17	2	5	18	13	8	19	29

Days Suitable and Moisture Conditions for the Week Ending 04/04/10

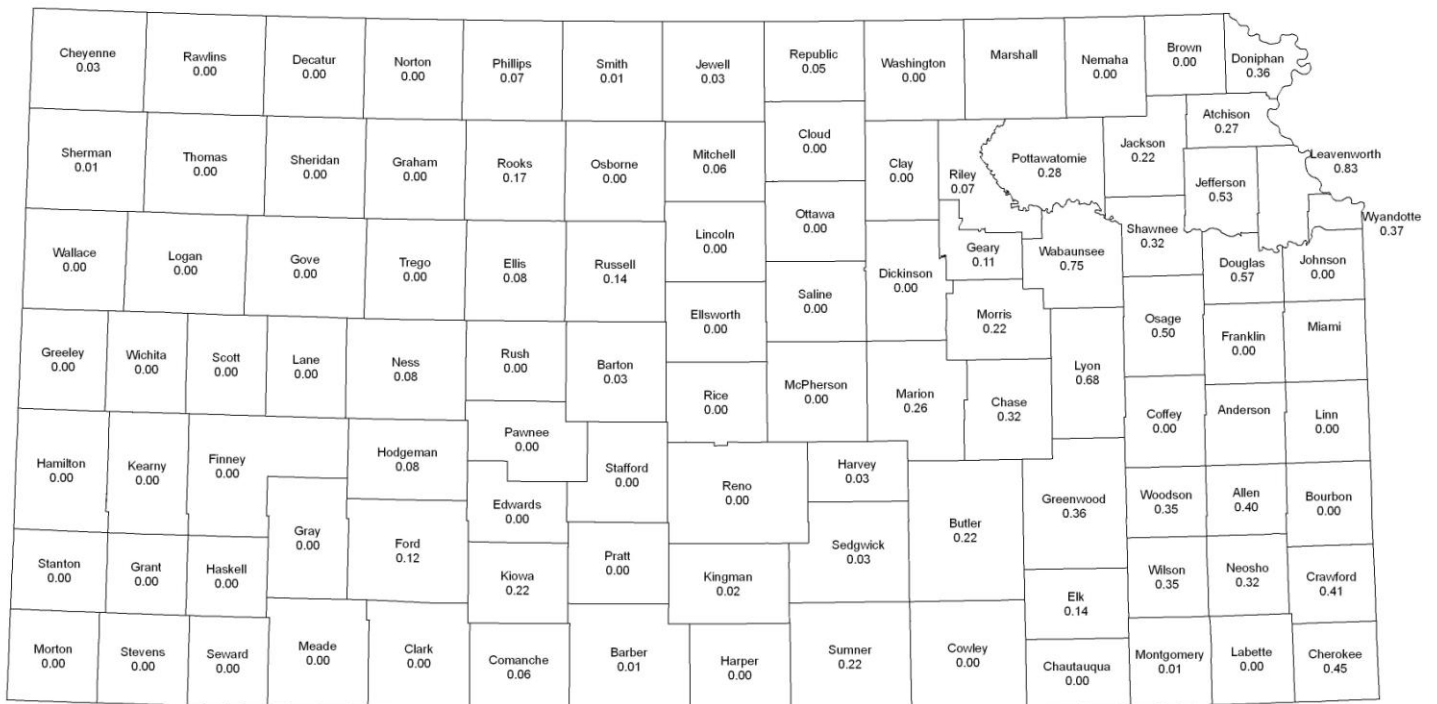
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable												
For Fieldwork	5.6	4.9	5.6	3.6	3.6	5.7	2.0	2.6	2.8	4.0	1.8	2.6
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Short	3	2	18	1	0	8	0	0	0	4	1	24
Adequate	84	88	71	75	64	78	54	61	57	69	59	53
Surplus	13	10	7	24	36	13	46	39	43	27	40	17
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	6
Short	1	2	26	3	2	5	0	0	0	5	3	21
Adequate	85	94	59	84	69	74	65	59	55	70	65	65
Surplus	14	4	5	13	29	21	35	41	45	24	31	8

Temp. and Precip. Data, Selected Sites, for the Week Ending 04/04/10

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 ^{1/}	89	23	54	73	35	.00	NE	Powhatt	81	30	60	65	40	.02
WC	Tribune	87	25	53	55	41	.00	NE	Manhat	83	30	61	65	41	.07
SW	Garden Cty	84	26	55	59	41	.00	EC	Ottawa ^{1/}	83	31	61	68	40	.00
NC	Scandia	78	28	56	57	38	.01	EC	Slvr Lk	85	30	62	61	41	.36
C	Hays ^{1/}	81	32	57	67	38	.02	EC	Rossvl	85	29	61	61	42	.64
SC	Hutch	84	28	59	57	44	.06	SE	Parsons	80	31	61	62	44	.20
SC	St John	79	28	56	62	44	.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). ^{1/} Soil temperatures are under bare ground.

Precipitation for the Week Ending April 4, 2010 at 7:00 a.m.



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