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Agricultural Summary: Kansas producers saw no measurable precipitation last week making it the driest week of the year so far. Of the 52 weather stations that are monitored, 42 are behind their normal precipitation totals to date and 7 of them are more than a foot below normal, led by Dodge City at 14.84 inches below normal. Although temperatures were cooler than normal across the eastern two-thirds of the State, highs were above 90 degrees at 34 stations with the weekly high of 99 degrees at Ashland. Lows ranged from 29 degrees at Oberlin, the first below freezing temperatures this fall, to the mid 40's in the southern districts. Kansas farmers averaged 6.9 days suitable for field work last week, the most this year, with every district having at least 6.8 days. Topsoil moisture supplies declined with the lack of rainfall to the driest ratings in 2011 at 43 percent very short, 32 percent short, and 25 percent adequate. Subsoil moisture supplies were also down from the previous week at 46 percent very short, 30 percent short, and 24 percent adequate. Producers used the dry, sunny conditions to plant wheat and harvest row crops.

Field Crop Report: Dry conditions last week allowed farmers to harvest their row crops as corn progress advanced 11 points and soybeans advanced 14 points while sorghum harvest was slower advancing just 3 points. As of Sunday, Kansas **corn** producers had harvested 53 percent of their crop, behind 67 percent last year, but ahead of the 5-year average of 48 percent. Corn harvest in the Southeast District is nearly complete while farmers in the Northwest District have only harvested 26 percent of their crop. Leaves are dropping on 66 percent of the **soybean** acreage, behind 70 percent last year and 73 percent for the 5-year average. Sixteen percent of the soybeans were reported as harvested, compared to 17 percent last year and 15 percent for the 5-year average. Soybean condition was rated as 26 percent very poor, 26 percent poor, 22 percent fair, 21 percent good, and 5 percent excellent. Four percent of the **sorghum** crop is left to head, while 84 percent has turned color, well behind 99 percent for the previous year and the 5-year average of 93 percent. Thirty-eight percent of the sorghum has matured, advancing 15 points last week, but remains behind 69 percent last year and 51 percent for the 5-year average. Sorghum harvest was 5 percent

complete by Sunday, behind 22 percent last year and 14 percent for the 5-year average. The crop's condition was rated as 24 percent very poor, 24 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 18 percent good, and 5 percent excellent. Kansas **winter wheat** producers seeded 23 percent of the States wheat acreage last week, bringing the total to 43 percent complete, ahead of 42 percent last year but behind the 5-year average of 47 percent. The Northeast District is leading the State with 75 percent of their wheat already planted. Thirteen percent of the Kansas crop had emerged, ahead of 11 percent last year but behind 18 percent for the 5-year average. Fifty-two percent of the **cotton** crop had bolls opening, behind 83 percent in 2010, but the same as the 5-year average. The cotton condition improved to 18 percent very poor, 17 percent poor, 39 percent fair, 23 percent good, and 3 percent excellent. Ninety-two percent of the **sunflower** crop had ray flowers dried, ahead of 88 percent last year and 89 percent for the 5-year average. Eighty-one percent of the crop had turned yellow, ahead of 69 percent last year and 75 percent for the 5-year average, while 58 percent had already turned brown, ahead of 39 percent last year and the 5-year average of 34 percent. Kansas sunflower producers have harvested 9 percent of their crop, ahead of last year at 5 percent and the average of 6 percent. The condition was rated 5 percent very poor, 14 percent poor, 36 percent fair, 39 percent good, and 6 percent excellent. The fourth cutting of alfalfa was 62 percent complete, well behind 85 percent last year and 77 percent for the 5-year average.

Feed Supplies Report: The range and pasture condition was reported at 36 percent very poor, 24 percent poor, 23 percent fair, 16 percent good, and 1 percent excellent. Feed grain supplies in Kansas were rated at 14 percent very short, 19 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies were rated 27 percent very short, 28 percent short, 41 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. The stock water supplies were 28 percent very short, 22 percent short, 49 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Livestock producers were weaning calves, selling cull cows, and some producers have started supplemental feeding.

Kansas Crop Progress for the Week Ending October 2, 2011

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
	Percent			
Winter Wheat Planted	43	20	42	47
Winter Wheat Emerged	13	4	11	18
Corn Matured	94	88	97	91
Corn Harvested	53	42	67	48
Sorghum Headed	96	94	100	100
Sorghum Turning Color	84	74	99	93
Sorghum Matured	38	23	69	51
Sorghum Harvested	5	2	22	14
Soybeans Leaves Dropped	66	46	70	73
Soybeans Harvested	16	2	17	15
Cotton Bolls Opened	52	44	83	52
Sunflowers Ray Flowers Dry	92	84	88	89
Sunflowers Turned Yellow	81	70	69	75
Sunflowers Turned Brown	58	41	39	34
Sunflowers Harvested	9	2	5	6
Alfalfa 4th Cutting	62	55	85	77

Kansas Crop Conditions for the Week Ending October 2, 2011

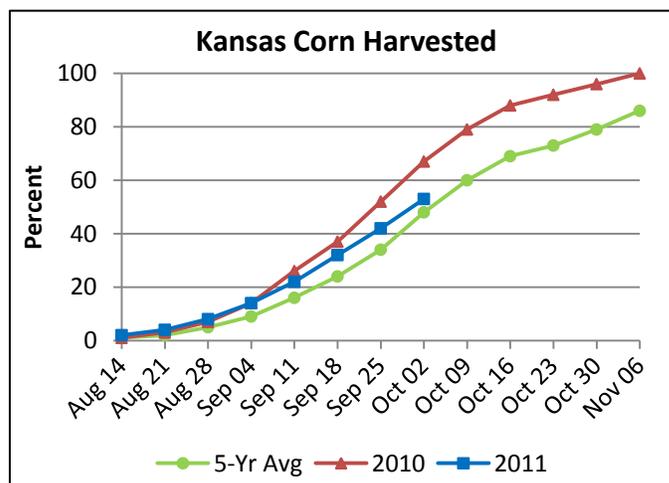
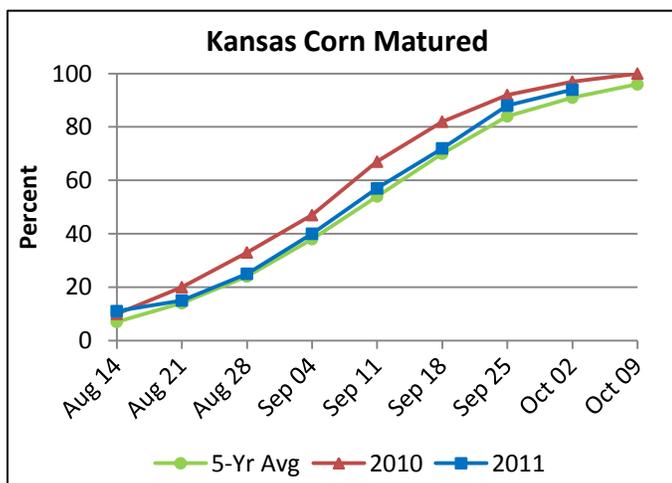
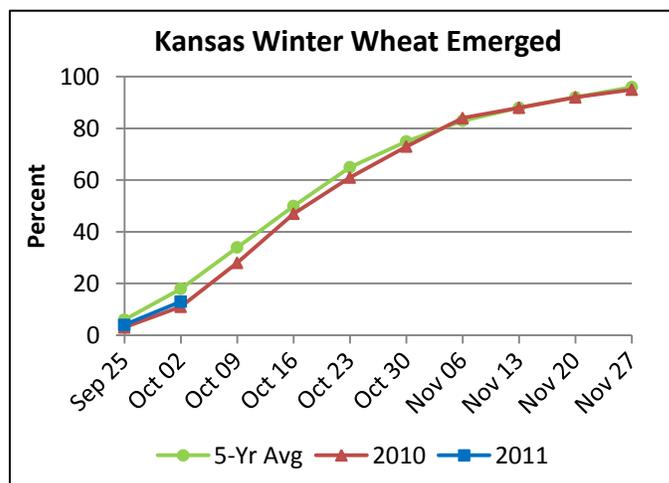
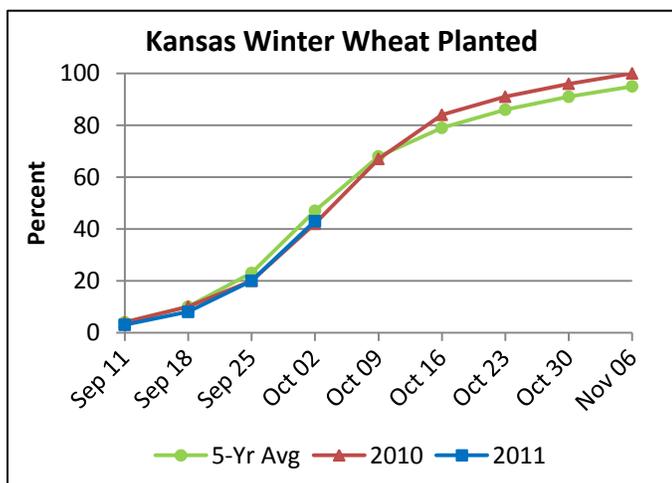
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent				
Sorghum	24	24	29	18	5
Soybean	26	26	22	21	5
Cotton	18	17	39	23	3
Sunflower	5	14	36	39	6
Range & Pasture	36	24	23	16	1

Feed and Water Supplies for the Week Ending October 2, 2011

Type	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	Percent			
Feed Grain	14	19	65	2
Hay and Forage	27	28	41	4
Stock Water	28	22	49	1

Days Suitable, Soil Moisture, and Crop Progress by District for the Week Ending October 2, 2011

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.0	6.9	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.3	6.4	
Topsoil Moisture	Percent												
Very Short	12	30	86	13	46	68	10	40	51	43	38	10	
Short	45	39	13	42	34	26	22	43	33	32	28	23	
Adequate	43	31	1	45	20	6	67	17	16	25	34	64	
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	
Subsoil Moisture	Percent												
Very Short	17	29	88	9	47	78	7	51	59	46	45	9	
Short	39	40	12	37	38	20	24	38	31	30	28	26	
Adequate	44	31	0	54	15	2	68	11	10	24	27	64	
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	
Crop Progress	Percent												
Winter Wheat Planted	75	65	38	35	43	27	19	22	12	43	20	42	
Winter Wheat Emerged	31	32	13	5	5	6	4	1	1	13	4	11	
Corn Matured	86	88	96	90	100	100	98	100	100	94	88	97	
Corn Harvested	26	36	52	30	86	88	38	88	96	53	42	67	
Sorghum Turning Color	100	91	66	95	84	83	99	89	96	84	74	99	
Sorghum Matured	51	44	23	42	40	37	61	40	74	38	23	69	
Sorghum Harvested	3	4	2	9	3	5	3	13	34	5	2	22	
Soybeans Leaves Dropped	88	73	65	85	62	64	77	59	45	66	46	70	
Soybeans Harvested	26	15	13	38	10	12	20	10	5	16	2	17	



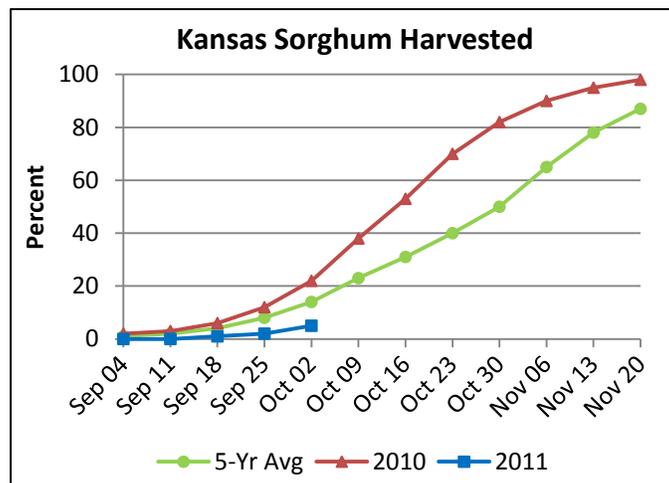
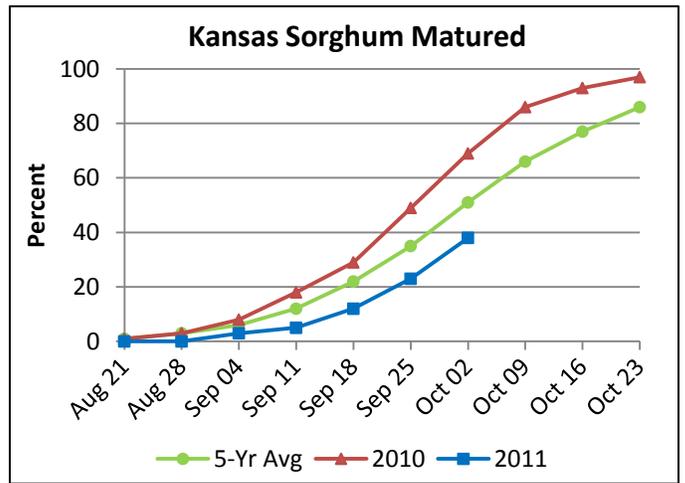
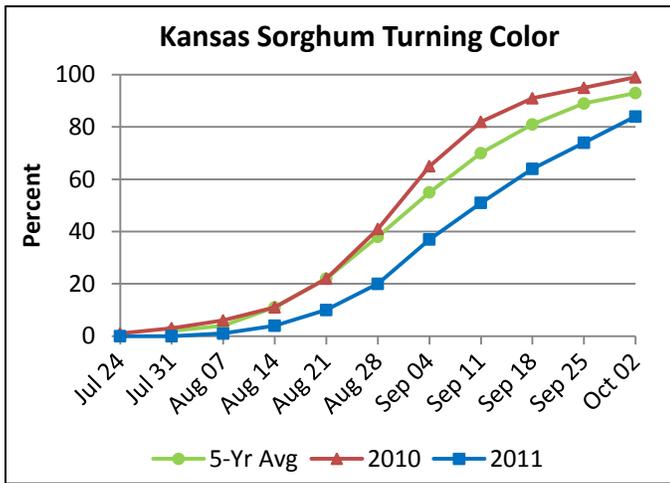
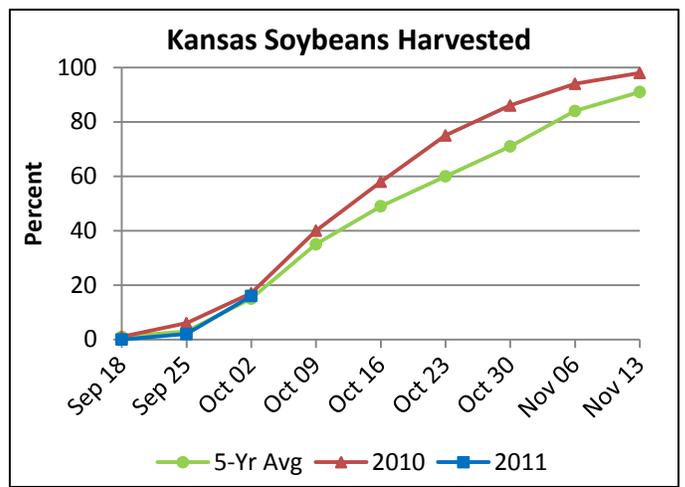
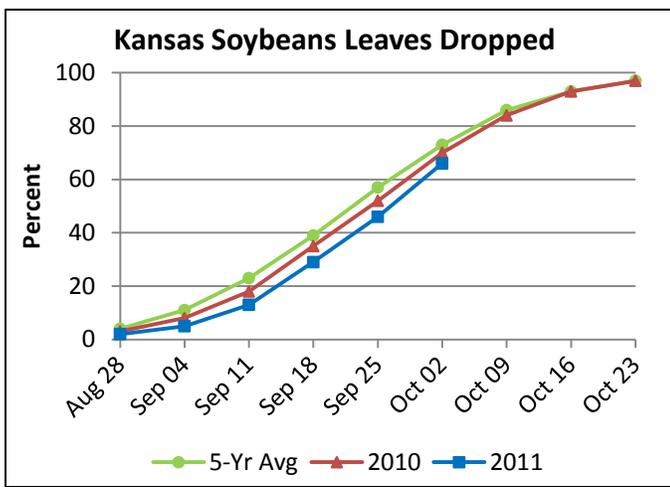
Temperature and Precipitation Data from Sept. 25 – Oct. 2, 2011 ^{1/}

Location	Weekly Temperatures				Precipitation (in.)				Growing Degree Days* Since April 1	
	Extremes		Avg.	DFN	Last Week		Since January 1		Total	DFN
	High	Low			Total	DFN	Total	DFN		
Northwest District										
Colby	92	33	62	+3	0.00	-0.28	16.36	-2.08	3,305	+447
Goodland	91	43	64	+6	0.00	-0.21	16.83	-0.72	3,203	+336
Hill City	94	34	63	+3	0.00	-0.35	17.37	-1.78	3,864	+581
McDonald	91	34	61	+2	0.00	-0.28	22.70	+3.53	3,081	+200
Oberlin	92	29	58	-3	0.00	-0.28	20.76	+0.77	3,148	0
West Central District										
Healy	94	36	64	+3	0.00	-0.34	14.40	-4.20	3,846	+510
Quinter	93	36	62	+2	0.00	-0.34	18.16	-3.09	3,526	+322
Russell Springs	91	37	63	+3	0.00	-0.23	16.98	+0.33	3,494	+274
Tribune	93	35	63	+4	0.00	-0.28	19.03	+3.59	3,531	+511
Southwest District										
Ashland	99	40	66	+2	0.00	-0.46	6.95	-12.91	4,591	+765
Dodge City	96	37	65	+3	0.00	-0.28	5.25	-14.84	4,421	+975
Elkhart	94	43	67	+5	0.00	-0.30	5.92	-10.69	4,225	+640
Garden City	96	36	64	+2	0.00	-0.21	8.77	-7.88	3,931	+542
Johnson	96	43	66	+2	0.00	-0.28	7.99	-4.77	4,037	+319
Liberal	95	45	67	+3	0.00	-0.41	7.26	-9.69	4,534	+815
North Central District										
Alton	92	33	59	-4	0.00	-0.44	23.00	+0.14	3,556	+133
Belleville	89	42	61	-2	0.00	-0.58	25.97	-0.41	3,555	+110
Beloit	92	40	62	-3	0.00	-0.52	29.30	+5.99	3,880	+116
Clay Center	89	38	60	-7	0.00	-0.67	29.18	+2.78	3,747	-212
Concordia	91	38	61	-2	0.00	-0.50	27.63	+3.21	3,779	+224
Phillipsburg	91	36	60	-2	0.00	-0.41	25.92	+5.28	3,411	-38
Central District										
Ellsworth	90	37	60	-3	0.00	-0.56	19.17	-5.64	3,898	+389
Great Bend	93	37	62	-4	0.00	-0.49	9.75	-12.68	4,271	+346
Hays	93	36	62	-2	0.00	-0.33	13.81	-5.67	4,000	+458
Herington	90	37	59	-5	0.00	-0.70	25.64	-4.06	3,848	+275
McPherson	93	43	64	-1	0.00	-0.60	17.18	-10.08	4,160	+478
Salina	92	40	63	-3	0.00	-0.56	15.63	-11.64	4,369	+445
South Central District										
Anthony	95	47	66	-2	0.00	-0.64	11.31	-14.77	4,728	+649
Hutchinson	95	39	63	-2	0.00	-0.68	10.75	-14.76	4,605	+879
Medicine Lodge	98	44	67	+2	0.00	-0.56	9.03	-14.59	4,955	+1031
Newton	93	45	64	-2	0.00	-0.62	11.80	-14.01	4,486	+577
Pratt	95	41	63	-4	0.00	-0.56	13.31	-10.10	4,239	+326
Wichita	95	43	65	-1	0.00	-0.64	17.07	-7.87	4,808	+847
Wilmore	98	41	64	-2	0.00	-0.44	9.48	-11.50	4,473	+614
Northeast District										
Holton	85	32	57	-7	0.00	-0.95	27.23	-3.62	3,496	+28
Horton	85	37	59	-6	0.00	-0.92	31.25	+0.52	3,624	-45
Leavenworth	85	39	60	-5	0.00	-1.08	28.92	-4.32	3,735	+109
Manhattan	90	40	61	-4	0.00	-0.79	22.87	-6.22	4,008	+231
Valley Falls	89	39	61	-3	0.00	-0.98	27.85	-3.57	3,924	+347
East Central District										
Emporia	91	39	62	-3	0.00	-0.70	18.72	-10.20	4,246	+636
Eskridge	88	39	60	-3	0.00	-0.71	21.95	-7.39	3,652	+273
Garnett	87	36	59	-8	0.00	-0.91	28.17	-3.62	3,994	+113
Lawrence	88	40	61	-5	0.00	-0.98	26.38	-5.90	3,993	+56
Ottawa	88	37	60	-7	0.00	-0.91	25.45	-5.94	3,846	-119
Tallgrass Prairie	91	40	61	-3	0.00	-0.69	22.17	-7.38	4,051	+431
Topeka	88	37	61	-2	0.00	-0.93	23.63	-6.93	4,253	+693
Southeast District										
Columbus	86	41	61	-5	0.00	-1.02	31.12	-3.30	4,319	+570
Howard	91	41	62	-4	0.00	-0.84	23.81	-6.36	4,282	+469
Iola	89	37	60	-6	0.00	-0.97	23.27	-10.23	4,136	+327
Parsons	87	39	60	-6	0.00	-1.11	26.95	-6.08	4,188	+393
Pittsburg	88	43	63	-4	0.00	-1.16	34.20	-1.73	4,405	+491
Winfield-Arkansas City	93	41	65	-2	0.00	-0.75	19.73	-10.31	4,884	+980

Source: Agricultural Weather Information Service, Inc. © 2011 based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal (1970-2000).

* Corn growing degree days: (High Temp. - Low Temp.) / 2 - 50

^{1/} 7:00 a.m. Sunday to 7:00 a.m. Sunday.



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