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Agricultural Summary: With mostly below normal temperatures and wide-spread showers throughout Kansas, fall harvest and wheat seeding continued. Temperatures ranged from a high of 90 in Ashland to a low of 22 in Baileyville. Four stations reported over 2.00 inches of precipitation, with lola having received 3.55 inches for the highest report. Twenty of the 53 stations received between 1 to 2 inches of rainfall. Kansas producers averaged 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork, with only the South Central District averaging more than 6 suitable working days. The wide-spread showers brought an increase in topsoil moisture supplies to 30 percent very short, 32 percent short, 35 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were at 48 percent very short, 36 percent short, 16 percent adequate, and none surplus. Showers around the State have helped with wheat emergence, while the hard freeze felt throughout Kansas pushed harvest progression for soybeans and sorghum. More moisture is still needed to improve pasture and pond conditions and to improve wheat emergence.

Field Crop Report: Kansas farmers seeded 16 percent of the State's wheat acreage last week to reach 81 percent complete by Sunday, ahead of 80 percent for last year and 76 percent for the 5-year average. More than 75 percent of the crop in the western two-thirds of Kansas is now planted. Forty-four percent of the State's wheat had emerged by week's end, behind both last year at 50 percent and the 5-year average of 46 percent. The condition of the Kansas wheat crop was 2 percent very poor, 8 percent poor, 48 percent fair, 40 percent good, and 2 percent excellent. Farmers harvested 8 percent of the Kansas corn crop last week, reaching 90 percent complete by Sunday, around two weeks ahead of 72 percent last year and over three weeks ahead of the 5-year average of 66 percent. Most of the unharvested corn was in western Kansas. Ninety percent of the soybean crop was dropping leaves, ahead of 88 percent last year but identical to the 5-year average. Seventeen percent of the Kansas soybean crop was harvested last week to reach 40 percent complete for the State. This is behind both last year at 54 percent and the 5-year average of 48 percent.

The condition of the soybean crop was 30 percent very poor, 31 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 8 percent good, and 2 percent excellent. Sorghum harvest reached 24 percent complete by Sunday, ahead of 22 percent last year but behind the 5-year average of 27 percent. Sixty-seven percent of the crop was mature, ahead of last year at 64 percent but behind the 5-year average of 73 percent. Ninety-six percent of the crop was coloring, ahead of 94 percent last year but behind 97 percent for the 5-year average. The condition of the sorghum crop was 35 percent very poor, 32 percent poor, 24 percent fair, 8 percent good, and 1 percent excellent. Six percent of the Kansas cotton crop had been harvested by Sunday, ahead of 4 percent a year ago. Ninety-three percent of the crop had bolls opening, well ahead of 78 percent last year and 75 percent for the 5-year average. The condition of the cotton crop was 11 percent very poor, 25 percent poor, 42 percent fair, 19 percent good, and 3 percent excellent. Ninety-seven percent of the sunflower crop had reached the ray flower dried stage, slightly behind last year at 99 percent but identical to the 5-year average. Ninety-three percent of the crop had turned yellow, behind last year at 94 percent but ahead of 89 percent for the 5-year average. Eighty-one percent had turned brown by Sunday, ahead of last year at 80 percent and well ahead of the 5-year average of 68 percent. Harvest reached 29 percent complete by Sunday, ahead of last year at 26 percent and 19 percent for the 5-year average. The condition of the sunflower crop was 17 percent very poor, 28 percent poor, 44 percent fair, 10 percent good, and 1 percent excellent. The fourth cutting of alfalfa reached 79 percent complete, just ahead of last year at 76 percent but behind the 5-year average of 84 percent.

Feed Supplies Report: Range and pasture conditions were 51 percent very poor, 29 percent poor, 17 percent fair, and 3 percent good, continuing the worst range and pasture condition trend since the series started in 1995. Hay and forage supplies held steady at 37 percent very short, 36 percent short, 26 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus; while stock water supplies were 38 percent very short, 30 percent short, 32 percent adequate, and none surplus.

Kansas Crop Progress for the Week Ending October 14, 2012

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
	Percent			
Winter Wheat Planted	81	65	80	76
Winter Wheat Emerged	44	25	50	46
Corn Harvested	90	82	72	66
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	90	79	88	90
Soybeans Harvested	40	23	54	48
Sorghum Coloring	96	92	94	97
Sorghum Mature	67	55	64	73
Sorghum Harvested	24	19	22	27
Cotton Bolls Opening	93	84	78	75
Cotton Harvested	6	4	4	2
Sunflowers Ray Flowers Dried	97	94	99	97
Sunflowers Turned Yellow	93	88	94	89
Sunflowers Turned Brown	81	68	80	68
Sunflowers Harvested	29	17	26	19
Alfalfa Fourth Cutting	79	70	76	84

Kansas Crop Conditions for the Week Ending October 14, 2012

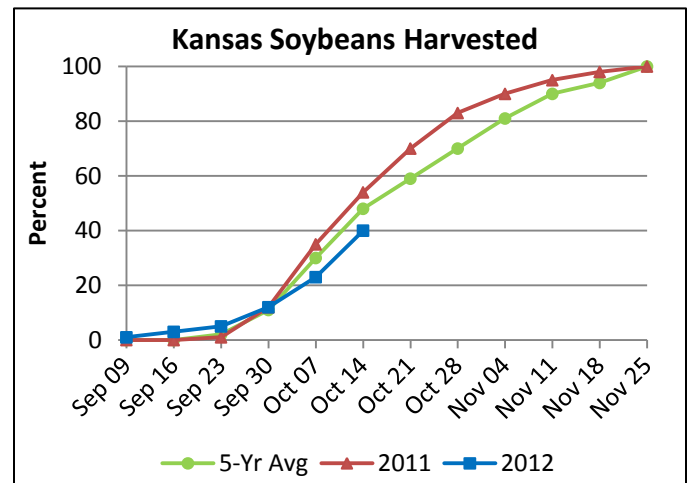
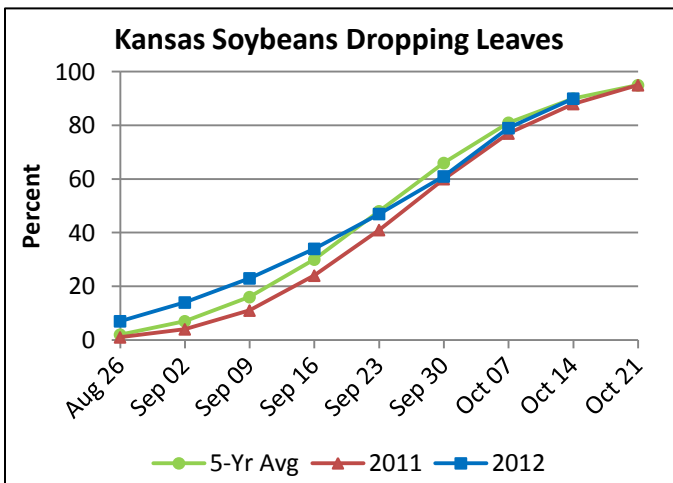
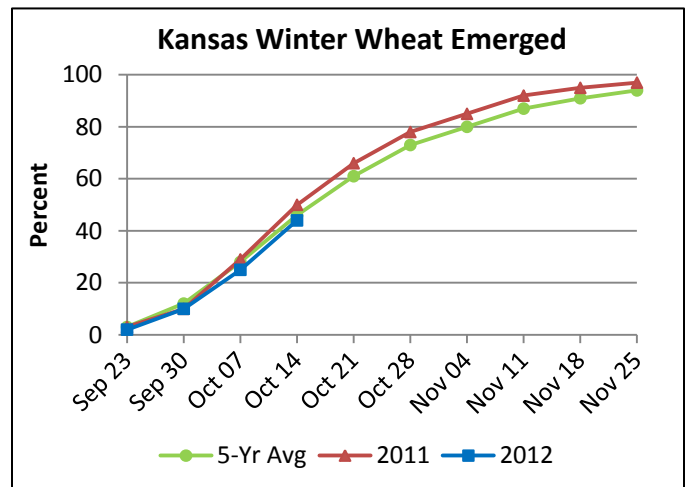
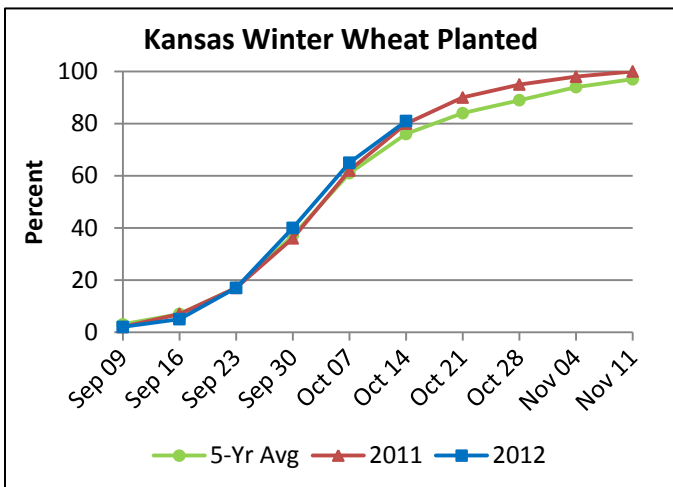
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent				
Wheat	2	8	48	40	2
Soybeans	30	31	29	8	2
Sorghum	35	32	24	8	1
Cotton	11	25	42	19	3
Sunflowers	17	28	44	10	1
Range & Pasture	51	29	17	3	0

Feed and Water Supplies for the Week Ending October 14, 2012

Type	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	Percent			
Feed Grain	21	27	50	2
Hay and Forage	37	36	26	1
Stock Water	38	30	32	0

Days Suitable, Soil Moisture, and Crop Progress by District for the Week Ending October 14, 2012

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.7	5.7	5.5	5.6	5.4	6.1	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.5	6.2	5.7
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	50	33	39	18	22	41	20	30	21	30	37	32
Short	36	32	27	31	37	36	39	32	22	32	35	29
Adequate	12	35	33	43	40	19	41	38	45	35	28	38
Surplus	2	0	1	8	1	4	0	0	12	3	0	1
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	64	46	50	40	40	59	47	53	38	48	51	43
Short	33	38	39	38	41	34	30	37	32	36	36	30
Adequate	3	16	11	22	19	7	23	10	29	16	13	27
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Planted	91	76	82	86	84	82	61	61	50	81	65	80
Winter Wheat Emerged	41	42	58	46	46	40	24	27	17	44	25	50
Corn Harvested	80	76	86	89	98	98	98	99	100	90	82	72
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	99	91	84	98	94	86	95	94	72	90	79	88
Soybeans Harvested	75	58	33	69	38	39	57	17	11	40	23	54
Sorghum Mature	66	62	64	61	72	74	79	73	85	67	55	64
Sorghum Harvested	29	17	33	13	19	41	37	38	73	24	19	22

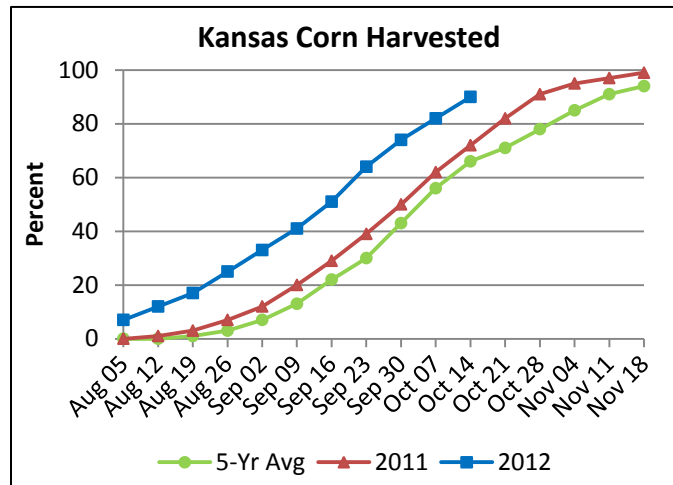
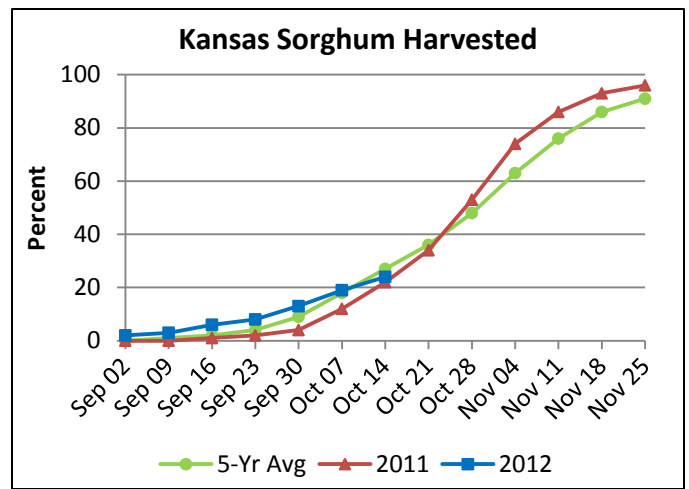
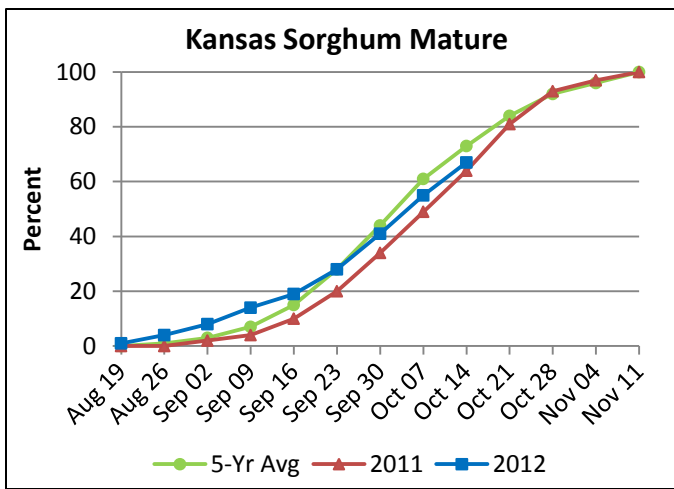


Temperature and Precipitation Data from October 7 – October 14, 2012 ^{1/}

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										
Atwood	77	28	49	-5	0.04	-0.24	9.36	-11.25	3,828	+709
Colby	76	28	49	-6	0.41	+0.13	11.31	-7.65	3,747	+834
Goodland	74	32	49	-5	0.00	-0.23	8.34	-9.62	3,729	+804
Hill City	77	29	53	-4	0.65	+0.36	9.88	-9.86	4,309	+945
Oberlin	77	24	48	-8	0.09	-0.19	9.59	-10.92	3,709	+495
West Central District										
Healy	76	28	50	-7	0.64	+0.36	11.81	-7.31	4,183	+762
Russell Springs	76	29	50	-7	0.53	+0.32	10.71	-6.33	3,906	+612
Tribune	76	26	50	-5	0.60	+0.32	6.94	-9.02	3,865	+779
WaKeeney	76	28	51	-7	0.73	+0.45	12.39	-8.58	4,210	+602
Southwest District										
Ashland	90	25	54	-6	0.05	-0.34	11.57	-9.04	4,619	+672
Dodge City	82	31	55	-3	1.44	+1.09	17.12	-3.60	4,354	+805
Elkhart	89	36	56	-3	1.13	+0.85	11.03	-6.10	4,343	+648
Garden City	77	29	51	-7	1.17	+0.97	11.75	-5.28	4,083	+602
Johnson	83	33	53	-8	0.94	+0.66	9.92	-3.36	4,188	+344
Liberal	88	32	56	-5	0.18	-0.17	11.27	-6.33	4,558	+709
Ulysses	82	32	52	-8	1.45	+1.18	10.99	-4.76	3,996	+322
North Central District										
Alton	79	23	51	-7	0.65	+0.30	12.52	-11.05	4,041	+528
Belleville	76	26	52	-6	1.56	+1.07	24.04	-3.30	3,966	+427
Beloit	78	29	53	-6	1.76	+1.27	21.62	-2.60	4,251	+371
Clay Center	77	27	53	-6	0.74	+0.16	19.98	-8.46	4,061	+454
Concordia	77	30	55	-3	2.85	+2.43	22.26	-2.98	4,195	+534
Smith Center	79	24	50	-9	0.68	+0.32	12.23	-9.68	4,133	+353
Central District										
Great Bend	81	28	56	-6	1.10	+0.59	9.93	-13.44	4,482	+417
Hays	80	28	53	-5	0.79	+0.51	14.10	-5.96	4,326	+687
Herington	78	27	52	-7	0.83	+0.20	22.38	-8.51	4,075	+392
McPherson	82	27	54	-5	0.77	+0.21	17.45	-10.85	4,371	+569
Salina	81	29	57	-4	0.94	+0.32	18.15	-10.26	4,724	+667
Wilson Lake	78	26	52	-7	1.23	+0.79	12.84	-9.94	4,281	+545
South Central District										
Anthony	82	32	58	-4	0.04	-0.51	20.13	-7.00	4,687	+460
Hutchinson	86	30	59	0	0.50	-0.06	13.99	-12.62	4,717	+874
Medicine Lodge	88	35	60	+1	0.06	-0.50	17.22	-7.44	4,964	+908
Newton	79	36	57	-5	0.98	+0.42	19.56	-7.29	4,600	+549
Wichita	81	31	60	-2	0.30	-0.26	22.43	-3.60	4,999	+897
Wilmore	87	24	54	-5	0.18	-0.17	18.98	-2.71	4,487	+512
Northeast District										
Baileyville	73	22	51	-8	1.70	+1.10	23.53	-7.28	3,733	+264
Holton	74	25	51	-8	0.94	+0.18	19.78	-12.55	3,835	+260
Horton	73	25	51	-9	1.25	+0.53	23.70	-8.44	4,019	+227
Leavenworth	72	27	51	-9	1.42	+0.55	23.77	-11.16	3,814	+68
Manhattan	78	27	53	-6	0.57	-0.07	20.75	-9.59	4,303	+406
Valley Falls	80	26	54	-6	1.10	+0.39	20.17	-12.67	4,196	+501
East Central District										
Emporia	77	33	56	-3	1.68	+1.05	20.33	-9.77	4,521	+791
Eskridge	75	30	52	-6	1.62	+1.06	22.86	-7.58	3,974	+492
Garnett	73	30	53	-9	1.83	+0.92	27.73	-5.75	4,315	+285
Lawrence	74	26	54	-8	1.04	+0.25	21.92	-11.90	4,523	+439
Ottawa	72	29	53	-9	0.65	-0.12	19.41	-13.47	4,199	+87
Tallgrass Prairie	77	34	55	-5	1.93	+1.35	22.52	-8.15	4,448	+710
Topeka	78	29	57	-2	0.67	-0.03	20.81	-11.13	4,616	+945
Southeast District										
Columbus	73	32	55	-6	2.48	+1.63	35.92	-0.14	4,569	+680
El Dorado	78	30	55	-6	2.14	+1.44	22.74	-7.48	4,459	+542
Iola	73	34	55	-6	3.55	+2.70	25.83	-9.30	4,389	+439
Parsons	74	30	54	-7	1.90	+0.97	34.89	+0.06	4,456	+524
Pittsburg	74	33	56	-6	1.94	+0.96	39.34	+1.51	4,678	+617
Winfield	80	33	60	-1	1.80	+1.03	21.40	-10.07	5,064	+1,016

Source: Agricultural Weather Information Service, Inc. © 2012 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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