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Agricultural Summary: Continued dry, windy, and warm weather last week provided Kansas farmers the opportunity to start wrapping up wheat planting and to proceed with soybean and sorghum harvest. Twelve out of 53 stations reported receiving moisture with Horton leading the State with 0.14 of an inch. High temperatures ranged from 88 degrees in Ashland to 75 degrees in Baileyville, while lows ranged from 29 degrees in Oberlin to 43 degrees in Newton. Kansas producers averaged 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork, with only the North Central, Central and Southeast Districts averaging less than 6 suitable working days. Topsoil moisture supplies were at 35 percent very short, 30 percent short, 35 percent adequate, and none surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were at 51 percent very short, 33 percent short, 16 percent adequate, and none surplus. Soybean and sorghum harvest continued as does some cotton stripping. Rain is still needed to fill ponds, replenish grass and aid in wheat emergence.

Field Crop Report: Kansas farmers seeded 10 percent of the State's wheat acreage last week to reach 91 percent complete by Sunday, ahead of 90 percent for last year and 84 percent for the 5-year average. More than 85 percent of the crop in the western two-thirds of Kansas is now planted. Sixty-two percent of the State's wheat had emerged by week's end, behind last year at 66 percent but slightly ahead of the 5-year average of 61 percent. The condition of the Kansas wheat crop was 2 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 49 percent fair, 38 percent good, and 2 percent excellent. Farmers harvested 4 percent of the Kansas corn crop last week, reaching 94 percent complete by Sunday, around two

weeks ahead of 82 percent last year and over three weeks ahead of the 5-year average of 71 percent. Ninety-six percent of the soybean crop was dropping leaves, ahead of 95 percent for both last year and the 5-year average. Nineteen percent of the crop was harvested last week to reach 59 percent complete for the State. This is behind 70 percent last year but identical to the 5-year average. The Southeast and East Central Districts had less than 35 percent of their soybeans harvested as of Sunday. The condition of the soybean crop was 30 percent very poor, 31 percent poor, 28 percent fair, 9 percent good, and 2 percent excellent. Sorghum harvest reached 37 percent complete by Sunday, ahead of 34 percent last year and the 5-year average of 36 percent. Eighty-three percent of the crop was mature, ahead of last year at 81 percent but behind the 5-year average of 84 percent. The condition of the sorghum crop was 33 percent very poor, 34 percent poor, 24 percent fair, 8 percent good, and 1 percent excellent. The fourth cutting of alfalfa reached 81 percent complete, identical to last year but behind the 5-year average of 90 percent.

Feed Supplies Report: Range and pasture condition was rated as 52 percent very poor, 28 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 was rated as 37 percent very short, 36 percent short, 27 percent adequate, and none surplus; while stock water supplies were 40 percent very short, 29 percent short, 31 percent adequate, and none surplus.

Kansas Crop Progress for the Week Ending October 21, 2012

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
	Percent			
Winter Wheat Planted	91	81	90	84
Winter Wheat Emerged	62	44	66	61
Corn Harvested	94	90	82	71
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	96	90	95	95
Soybeans Harvested	59	40	70	59
Sorghum Mature	83	67	81	84
Sorghum Harvested	37	24	34	36
Cotton Bolls Opening	95	93	86	82
Cotton Harvested	8	6	9	4
Sunflowers Turned Yellow	96	93	99	95
Sunflowers Turned Brown	87	81	89	81
Sunflowers Harvested	39	29	35	32
Alfalfa Fourth Cutting	81	79	81	90

Kansas Crop Conditions for the Week Ending October 21, 2012

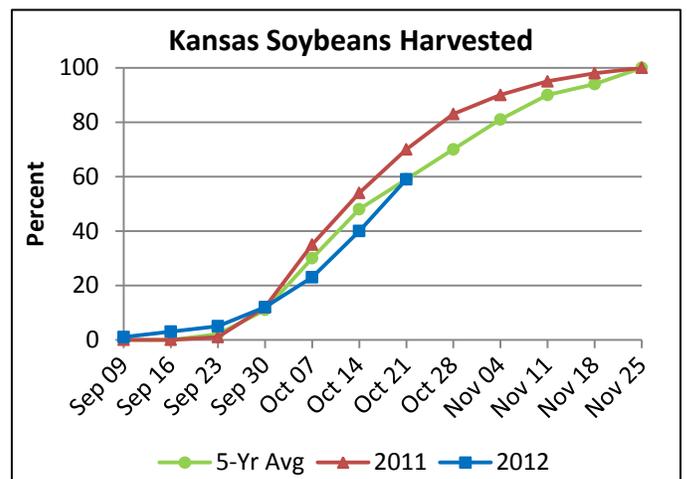
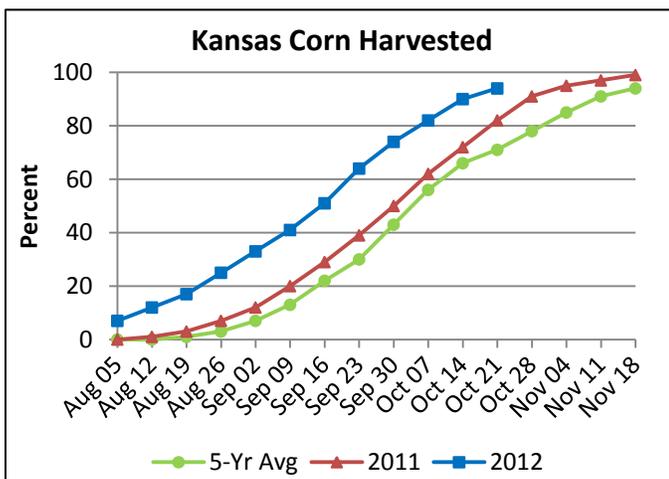
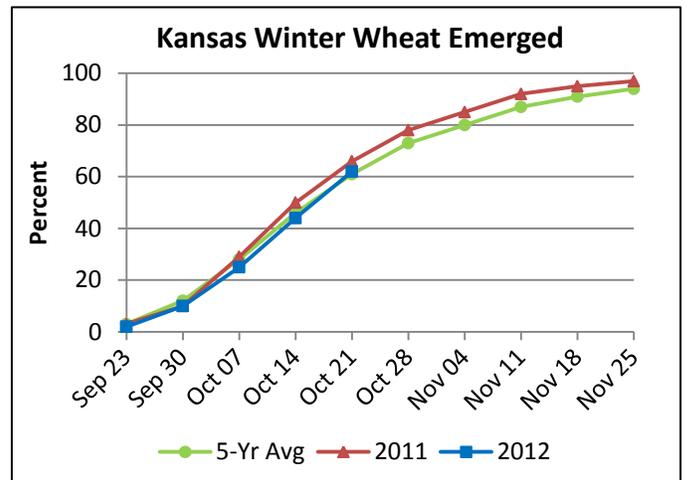
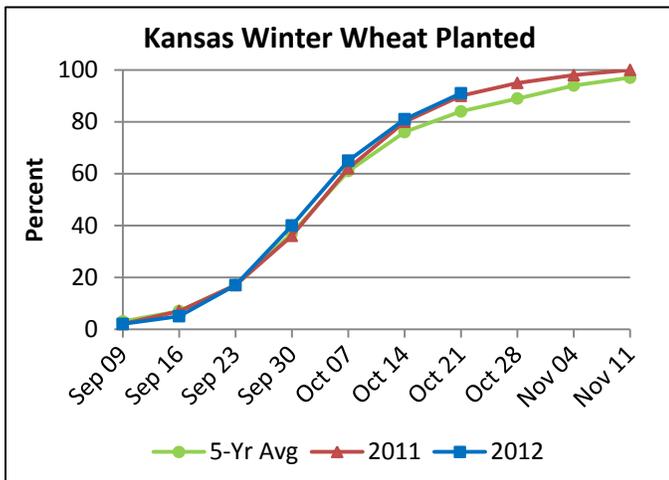
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent				
Wheat	2	9	49	38	2
Soybeans	30	31	28	9	2
Sorghum	33	34	24	8	1
Cotton	10	21	39	26	4
Sunflowers	20	28	41	10	1
Range & Pasture	52	28	17	3	0

Feed and Water Supplies for the Week Ending October 21, 2012

Type	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	Percent			
Feed Grain	21	29	49	1
Hay and Forage	37	36	27	0
Stock Water	40	29	31	0

Days Suitable, Soil Moisture, and Crop Progress by District for the Week Ending October 21, 2012

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	6.2	6.4	6.4	5.6	5.6	6.2	6.2	6.1	5.7	6.0	5.5	6.3
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	76	32	43	18	26	48	20	34	22	35	30	32
Short	22	33	25	29	36	30	43	34	22	30	32	32
Adequate	2	35	32	53	38	21	37	32	55	35	35	35
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	1
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	79	37	56	39	49	61	45	60	33	51	48	43
Short	20	43	32	40	37	31	32	34	32	33	36	31
Adequate	1	20	12	21	14	8	23	6	35	16	16	26
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Planted	98	95	89	93	92	91	81	72	68	91	81	90
Winter Wheat Emerged	53	63	64	68	70	60	44	46	43	62	44	66
Corn Harvested	89	86	91	93	100	100	99	100	100	94	90	82
Soybeans Harvested	85	78	59	84	71	56	80	32	27	59	40	70
Sorghum Mature	80	81	78	82	89	87	95	88	95	83	67	81
Sorghum Harvested	37	32	46	22	33	52	56	45	85	37	24	34

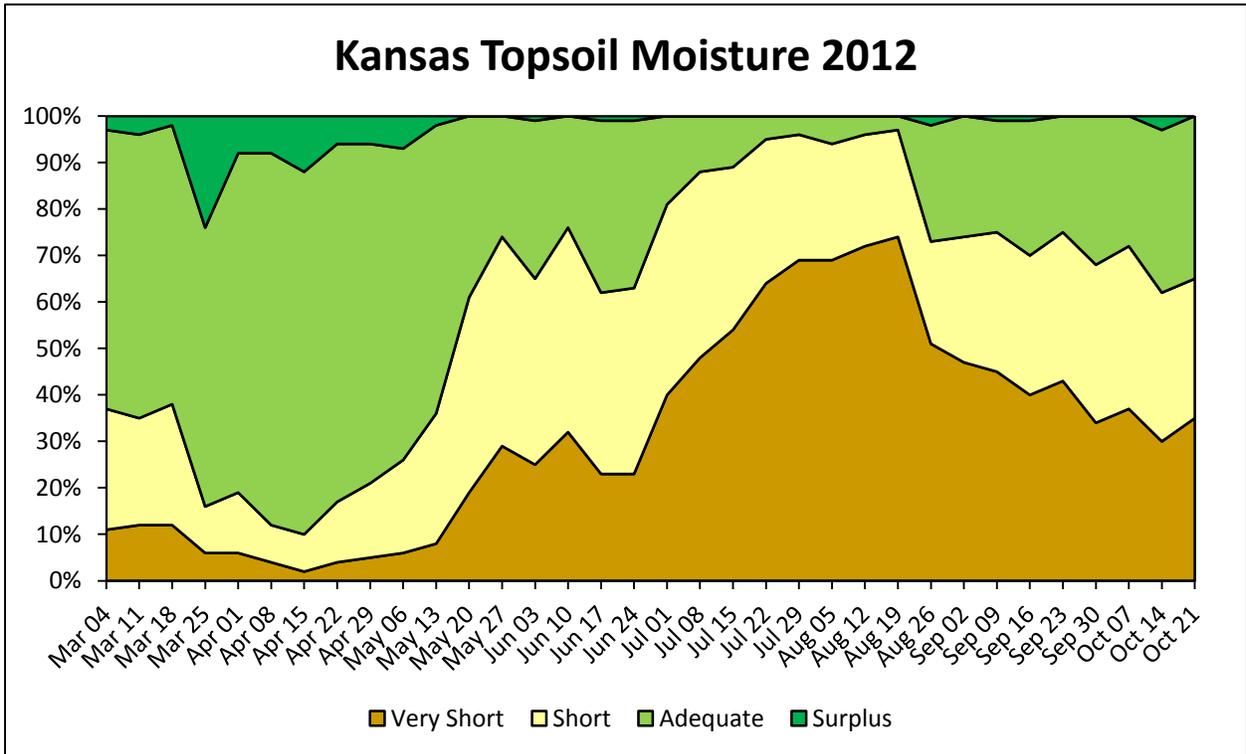
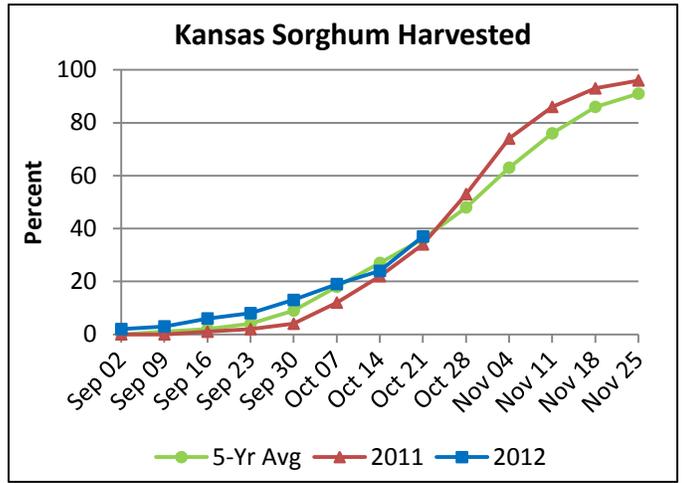
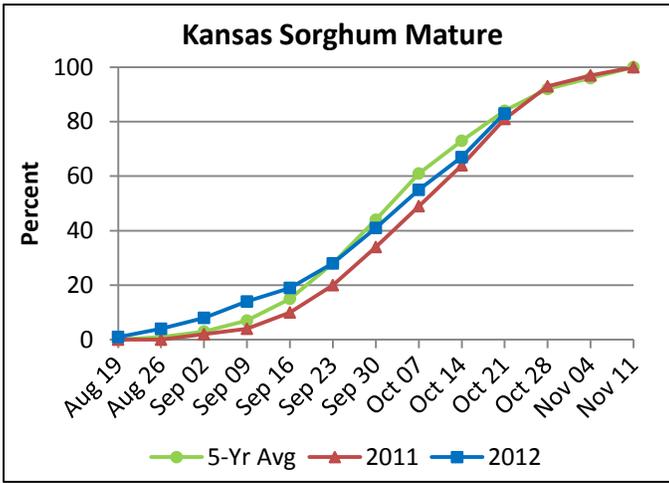


Temperature and Precipitation Data from October 14 – October 21, 2012 ^{1/}

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	87	35	57	+8	0.00	-0.28	9.36	-11.53	3,882	+754
Colby	87	33	56	+7	0.00	-0.28	11.31	-7.93	3,797	+874
Goodland	85	34	55	+5	0.00	-0.28	8.34	-9.90	3,772	+836
Hill City	85	31	58	+6	0.00	-0.28	9.88	-10.14	4,369	+983
Oberlin	85	29	55	+4	0.00	-0.22	9.59	-11.14	3,753	+523
West Central District										
Healy	87	34	58	+6	0.00	-0.28	11.81	-7.59	4,243	+798
Russell Springs	85	34	57	+6	0.00	-0.21	10.71	-6.54	3,960	+649
Tribune	84	33	57	+6	0.00	-0.21	6.94	-9.23	3,917	+815
WaKeeney	84	36	58	+4	0.00	-0.28	12.39	-8.86	4,266	+628
Southwest District										
Ashland	88	36	59	+4	0.00	-0.35	11.57	-9.39	4,684	+695
Dodge City	86	37	61	+7	0.00	-0.34	17.12	-3.94	4,430	+848
Elkhart	83	35	58	+4	0.00	-0.24	12.27	-5.10	4,401	+669
Garden City	84	31	56	+4	0.00	-0.21	11.35	-5.89	4,134	+624
Johnson	84	35	58	+2	0.00	-0.21	9.92	-3.57	4,245	+357
Liberal	84	34	57	+1	0.00	-0.32	11.27	-6.65	4,612	+716
Ulysses	83	32	56	+1	0.00	-0.21	10.99	-4.97	4,042	+331
North Central District										
Alton	86	36	57	+4	0.00	-0.35	12.52	-11.40	4,092	+553
Belleville	80	36	57	+3	0.00	-0.47	23.55	-4.26	4,014	+446
Beloit	80	36	57	+3	0.00	-0.43	21.62	-3.03	4,304	+385
Clay Center	80	38	57	+4	0.00	-0.56	19.98	-9.02	4,115	+472
Concordia	79	34	59	+5	0.00	-0.42	22.26	-3.40	4,263	+567
Smith Center	83	38	57	+3	0.00	-0.35	12.23	-10.03	4,187	+371
Central District										
Great Bend	86	39	60	+3	0.00	-0.49	9.93	-13.93	4,552	+434
Hays	85	36	58	+4	0.00	-0.28	14.10	-6.24	4,382	+712
Herington	82	36	57	+3	0.00	-0.63	22.38	-9.14	4,130	+411
McPherson	85	42	61	+6	0.00	-0.49	17.45	-11.34	4,447	+604
Salina	84	38	62	+6	0.01	-0.55	18.16	-10.81	4,808	+704
Wilson Lake	84	36	60	+6	0.00	-0.42	12.84	-10.36	4,353	+578
South Central District										
Anthony	87	42	62	+4	0.00	-0.49	20.13	-7.49	4,771	+488
Hutchinson	88	38	63	+8	0.00	-0.53	13.99	-13.15	4,805	+922
Medicine Lodge	88	38	62	+6	0.00	-0.51	17.22	-7.95	5,053	+950
Newton	81	43	61	+4	0.00	-0.56	19.56	-7.85	4,679	+574
Wichita	88	40	64	+7	0.00	-0.55	22.43	-4.15	5,096	+943
Wilmore	88	35	59	+5	0.00	-0.35	18.98	-3.06	4,554	+541
Northeast District										
Baileyville	75	35	54	0	0.03	-0.53	23.56	-7.81	3,771	+268
Holton	77	30	54	-1	0.00	-0.70	19.78	-13.25	3,872	+261
Horton	79	36	55	-2	0.14	-0.51	23.84	-8.95	4,062	+226
Leavenworth	81	34	54	-2	0.06	-0.73	23.83	-11.89	3,853	+64
Manhattan	82	39	59	+4	0.00	-0.58	20.75	-10.17	4,371	+431
Valley Falls	84	38	57	+2	0.00	-0.63	20.17	-13.30	4,251	+514
East Central District										
Emporia	81	38	61	+6	0.02	-0.60	20.35	-10.37	4,602	+829
Eskridge	80	37	58	+4	0.00	-0.56	22.86	-8.14	4,031	+514
Garnett	81	35	57	-2	0.01	-0.88	27.74	-6.63	4,370	+282
Lawrence	82	38	59	+2	0.06	-0.66	21.98	-12.56	4,588	+446
Ottawa	78	35	56	-3	0.04	-0.70	19.45	-14.17	4,244	+75
Tallgrass Prairie	85	40	60	+5	0.02	-0.54	22.54	-8.69	4,518	+739
Topeka	83	36	60	+6	0.01	-0.62	20.82	-11.75	4,692	+983
Southeast District										
Columbus	80	41	60	+3	0.10	-0.74	36.02	-0.88	4,639	+696
El Dorado	83	40	60	+4	0.00	-0.65	22.74	-8.13	4,535	+569
Iola	83	38	60	+3	0.00	-0.84	25.83	-10.14	4,462	+458
Parsons	80	39	58	+1	0.00	-0.86	34.89	-0.80	4,512	+528
Pittsburg	81	41	60	+2	0.07	-0.84	39.41	+0.67	4,748	+629
Winfield	86	42	64	+7	0.00	-0.74	21.40	-10.81	5,165	+1,063

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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