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# News Release

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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, April 8, 2013 -- For the week ending April 7, 2013, precipitation in Kansas was limited to the south central portion of the state, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Kansas Field Office. Temperatures were below normal across all of the state except the northwest. Farmers continued to prepare for spring planting and were able to plant a few fields of corn in eastern areas. Spring calving is nearly complete, and livestock producers continue to be concerned about stock water supplies. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 17 percent very short, 29 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were rated 38 percent very short, 39 percent short, 22 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Producers averaged 4.6 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

**Weather Report:** Precipitation and temperature data are now being provided through the High Plains Regional Climate Center. See link below for the latest updates. A link to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor graphic is also provided.

**Field Crops Report:** The Kansas winter wheat crop was 22 percent jointed, behind 76 percent a year ago and 33 percent average. The condition of the crop was rated as 11 percent very poor, 20 percent poor, 38 percent fair, 29 percent good, and 2 percent excellent.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** The condition of Kansas range and pasture was rated as 44 percent very poor, 33 percent poor, 18 percent fair, 5 percent good, and 0 percent excellent. Hay and forage supplies were 36 percent very short, 36 percent short, 27 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated as 35 percent very short, 29 percent short, 36 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus.

*Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and KSU Extension Service.*

*District level data is provided on the back page.*

*Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:*

<http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2013/CropProg-04-08-2013.pdf>

*Access the High Plains Regional Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:*

[http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update\\_region&state=KS&region=HPRCC](http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=KS&region=HPRCC)

*Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:*

[http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DM\\_state.htm?KS,HP](http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DM_state.htm?KS,HP)

**Days Suitable and Soil Moisture by District  
for the Week Ending April 7, 2013**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	4.8	5.8	6.2	5.6	5.0	3.9	6.1	3.1	2.4	4.6	3.9	3.7
<b>Topsoil Moisture</b>	<b>Percent</b>											
Very Short	35	28	43	6	11	8	6	8	9	17	16	4
Short	33	37	30	25	39	30	47	17	15	29	30	9
Adequate	32	35	27	65	50	58	47	73	64	51	50	79
Surplus	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	2	12	3	4	8
<b>Subsoil Moisture</b>	<b>Percent</b>											
Very Short	60	45	61	37	34	39	28	27	25	38	41	5
Short	36	40	29	46	45	47	52	39	23	39	40	18
Adequate	4	15	10	17	21	14	20	31	50	22	18	74
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	1	1	3
<b>Crop Progress</b>	<b>Percent</b>											
Winter Wheat Jointed	1	4	27	2	26	41	3	14	44	22	13	76