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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, May 6, 2013 -- For the week ending May 5, 2013, producers in the eastern half of Kansas again received significant amounts of rain and some snow while the western half of the State saw only light precipitation, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Kansas Field Office. Warmer temperatures early last week gave way to cooler temperatures at mid-week resulting in the week's temperatures again being below normal. Producers were able to plant some corn before the rain started but cool temperatures and wet field conditions continue to slow planting progress and emergence. The cool conditions have also slowed development of the State's wheat crop. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 14 percent very short, 19 percent short, 54 percent adequate, and 13 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were rated 27 percent very short, 31 percent short, 40 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Producers averaged 3.0 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 winter wheat crop was 67 percent jointed, behind 100 percent a year ago and 90 percent average. The crop was 3 percent headed, well behind 89 percent a year ago and 3 weeks behind 32 percent average. The condition rated 19 percent very poor, 21 percent poor, 33 percent fair, 24 percent good, and 3 percent excellent.

Corn planting was 17 percent complete, well behind 72 percent last year and 2 weeks behind 54 percent average. Corn emerged was 2 percent complete, well behind 40 percent last year and 21 percent average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** The condition of Kansas range and pasture was rated as 35 percent very poor, 27 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 12 percent good, and 1 percent excellent. Hay and forage supplies were rated as 36 percent very short, 35 percent short, 29 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Stock water supplies rated 22 percent very short, 26 percent short, 50 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Livestock producers are continuing supplemental feeding as pasture growth has also been slowed by the cool weather.

*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-05-06-2013.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 May 5, 2013**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	3.7	47	5.1	3.1	2.3	3.7	2.2	1.2	1.4	3.0	2.7	5.1
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	31	31	50	2	5	9	3	3	1	14	16	6
Short	39	39	35	13	28	14	6	9	4	19	20	19
Adequate	30	30	15	82	66	62	73	74	43	54	54	68
Surplus	0	0	0	3	1	15	18	14	52	13	10	7
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	58	49	64	22	22	21	4	11	7	27	30	6
Short	33	37	29	41	40	42	28	27	11	31	33	24
Adequate	9	14	7	37	38	37	67	61	72	40	35	67
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	10	2	2	3
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Jointed	11	33	71	65	86	90	69	79	89	67	53	100
Corn Planted	8	9	12	9	15	32	25	11	33	17	7	72