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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, June 17, 2013 -- For the week ending June 16, 2013, temperatures were above normal across the State with the hottest temperatures in western Kansas, where averages were more than 8 degrees above normal, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics, Service Kansas Field Office. Statewide, average temperatures were in the 70's to mid-80's. Western Kansas did get some much-needed showers; however, amounts were spotty and most were less than an inch. Most western farmers were still waiting for the rain to come. Areas in the east and southeast received additional rain at the end of the week coupled with heavy winds. It was dry and warm through central Kansas up into the northeast. This allowed row crop fields to dry and wheat to turn color quickly. Reports of test cutting near the Oklahoma border were received with many farmers in southern Kansas expected to begin wheat harvest within the next 3 to 5 days. Producers took advantage of the average 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork to continue planting row crops and putting up hay, with reports of good hay yields and pasture conditions in eastern Kansas. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 14 percent very short, 23 short, 53 adequate, and 10 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 24 percent very short, 28 short, 42 adequate, and 6 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** The winter wheat crop was turning color on 74 percent of the acreage, behind 100 a year ago and 86 average. Eleven percent of the crop was ripe, compared to 97 last year and 44 average. Condition rated 24 percent very poor, 21 poor, 27 fair, 24 good, and 4 excellent.

Ninety-eight percent of the corn crop was emerged, behind 100 for both last year and average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 31 fair, 54 good, and 7 excellent.

Sorghum planting was 77 percent complete, behind 87 last year but above 75 average. The crop was 44 percent emerged, behind 66 last year and 50 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 37 fair, 53 good, and 4 excellent.

Soybean planting advanced to 81 percent complete, behind 94 last year and 85 average. The crop was 60 percent emerged, behind 85 last year and 73 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 32 fair, 61 good, and 4 excellent.

Cotton planting was 72 percent complete, behind 99 last year and 93 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 44 fair, 44 good, and 11 excellent.

Sunflower planting was 59 percent complete, behind last year's 77 but ahead of 56 average. The crop was 30 percent emerged, behind last year's 53 and 31 average.

Alfalfa first cutting was 91 percent complete, behind 100 last year and 95 average. Second cutting was 4 percent complete, well behind last year's 71 and 20 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** The condition of range and pasture rated 26 percent very poor, 18 poor, 22 fair, 27 good, and 7 excellent. Hay and forage supplies rated 27 percent very short, 23 short, 49 adequate, and 1 surplus. Stock water supplies rated 15 percent very short, 18 short, 64 adequate, and 3 surplus.

*Data for this 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-06-17-2013.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 June 16, 2013**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.9	5.9	6.1	5.8	6.1	6.5	5.3	5.3	4.4	5.7	4.3	5.8
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	20	19	55	10	7	9	0	4	3	14	16	24
Short	40	43	37	16	27	31	6	13	5	23	19	40
Adequate	35	38	8	72	64	59	63	73	60	53	53	35
Surplus	5	0	0	2	2	1	31	10	32	10	12	1
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	56	40	67	21	17	15	0	8	4	24	26	25
Short	34	41	29	31	38	39	17	21	8	28	26	47
Adequate	8	19	4	47	45	46	55	69	70	42	43	28
Surplus	2	0	0	1	0	0	28	2	18	6	5	0
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Turned Color	25	62	83	65	85	92	36	71	86	74	22	100
Winter Wheat Ripe	0	7	5	2	12	22	0	8	28	11	0	97
Corn Emerged	97	96	99	95	99	99	100	99	96	98	91	100
Sorghum Planted	92	79	78	72	82	67	79	76	75	77	54	87
Sorghum Emerged	54	47	38	32	50	48	41	54	51	44	24	66
Soybeans Planted	91	83	92	97	95	69	93	77	56	81	66	94
Soybeans Emerged	64	59	75	74	88	47	74	50	34	60	43	85