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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, September 23, 2013 -- For the week ending September 22, 2013, cooler temperatures and spotty rains early in the week changed to warm, dry, windy conditions by the end of the week for most of Kansas, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Some areas received no moisture, while parts of eastern Kansas had up to three inches of rain. Where conditions allowed, farmers were harvesting high-moisture corn, seeding wheat, and preparing for fall harvest. There were 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 12 percent very short, 36 short, 50 adequate, and 2 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 17 percent very short, 39 short, 44 adequate, and 0 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat planted was 13 percent, near 15 last year and 15 average. Wheat emerged was 3 percent, near 2 last year and equal to the average.

Corn dented was 96 percent, behind 100 last year and 99 average. Fifty-two percent of the crop was mature, behind 94 last year and 77 average. Corn harvested was 16 percent complete, well behind 62 last year, and 34 average. Corn condition rated 11 percent very poor, 18 poor, 32 fair, 31 good, and 8 excellent.

Sorghum coloring was 85 percent, ahead of 77 last year and 80 average. Sorghum mature was 16 percent, behind 27 last year and 24 average. Sorghum harvested was 1 percent, behind 8 last year and 5 average. Condition rated 6 percent very poor, 13 poor, 31 fair, 42 good, and 8 excellent.

Soybeans dropping leaves were 43 percent, near 45 last year and equal to 43 average. Soybeans harvested was 1 percent, behind 5 last year and near 2 average. Condition rated 3 percent very poor, 12 poor, 41 fair, 39 good, and 5 excellent.

The portion of the cotton crop setting bolls was 95 percent, behind 100 last year and 100 average. Cotton with open bolls was 29 percent, behind 59 last year and 41 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 12 poor, 42 fair, 35 good, and 9 excellent.

Eighty-one percent of the sunflower acreage was in the ray flower dried stage, behind 85 last year but near 79 average. The portion of crop that had turned yellow was 59 percent, behind 71 percent last year but near 57 average. Sunflowers that turned brown were 27 percent, behind 34 last year but ahead of 19 average. Sunflowers harvested was 1 percent, behind 4 last year but equal to 1 average. Condition rated 7 percent very poor, 15 poor, 43 fair, 32 good, and 3 excellent.

The fourth cutting of alfalfa was 49 percent complete, behind 51 last year and 59 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** The condition of range and pasture rated 17 percent very poor, 19 poor, 32 fair, 28 good, and 4 excellent. Stock water supplies rated 8 percent very short, 18 short, 72 adequate, and 2 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-09-23-2013.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 September 22, 2013**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	4.5	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.1	6.2	4.5	4.7	4.6	5.2	5.5	6.4
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	13	13	28	14	5	11	6	9	9	12	14	42
Short	22	17	35	41	36	45	32	44	34	36	43	32
Adequate	63	68	33	44	58	43	60	46	55	50	42	26
Surplus	2	2	4	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	0
Subsoil Moisture												
Very Short	39	24	45	22	7	4	7	6	8	17	20	57
Short	49	26	32	45	38	35	41	53	35	39	39	31
Adequate	12	50	23	32	55	60	52	41	57	44	41	12
Surplus	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Planted	7	29	27	2	6	8	1	5	10	13	5	15
Corn Dent	97	89	95	92	100	99	97	98	98	96	89	100
Corn Mature	56	36	49	25	84	70	44	57	70	52	33	94
Corn Harvested	12	18	11	3	18	34	4	6	39	16	8	62
Sorghum Coloring	89	93	78	83	85	90	94	86	89	85	71	77
Sorghum Mature	18	27	8	5	21	19	20	24	43	16	6	27
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	64	54	21	68	45	37	48	35	19	43	24	45