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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, September 30, 2013 -- For the week ending September 29, 2013, temperatures averaged slightly warmer than normal, but damp conditions slowed corn harvest across most of the State, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Some counties in northwest Kansas received more than an inch of rain, while most areas received around a half inch which was good moisture for newly seeded wheat. There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 13 percent very short, 35 short, 50 adequate, and 2 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 21 percent very short, 37 short, 42 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planted was 33 percent, near 37 last year and 35 average. Emerged was 8 percent, near 9 last year and 10 average.

Seventy-seven percent of the corn crop was mature, behind 98 last year and 88 average. Corn harvested was 26 percent complete, well behind 73 last year, and 45 average. Corn condition rated 13 percent very poor, 17 poor, 30 fair, 33 good, and 7 excellent.

Sorghum coloring was 93 percent, ahead of 82 last year and 86 average. However, sorghum mature was 28 percent, behind 39 last year and 37 average. Sorghum harvested was 3 percent, behind 12 last year and 8 average. Condition rated 6 percent very poor, 14 poor, 31 fair, 41 good, and 8 excellent.

Soybeans dropping leaves were 66 percent, ahead of 59 last year and 60 average. Soybeans harvested was 8 percent, near 11 last year and 9 average. Condition rated 3 percent very poor, 11 poor, 40 fair, 41 good, and 5 excellent.

Cotton with open bolls was 45 percent, behind 69 last year and 56 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 12 poor, 46 fair, 34 good, and 6 excellent.

Eighty-seven percent of the sunflower acreage was in the ray flower dried stage, behind 91 last year but equal to the average. The portion of crop that had turned yellow was 71 percent, behind 81 percent last year but equal to the average. Sunflowers that turned brown were 47 percent, behind 53 last year but ahead of 33 average. Sunflowers harvested was 7 percent, near 9 last year and 5 average. Condition rated 8 percent very poor, 17 poor, 44 fair, 29 good, and 2 excellent.

The fourth cutting of alfalfa was 61 percent complete, near 60 last year but behind 68 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: The condition of range and pasture rated 18 percent very poor, 19 poor, 34 fair, 26 good, and 3 excellent. Stock water supplies rated 12 percent very short, 17 short, 68 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-09-30-2013.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®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DM_state.htm?KS,HP

**Days Suitable and Soil Moisture by District
for the Week Ending September 29, 2013**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.5	5.8	6.1	6.1	6.5	6.2	5.7	5.9	5.8	6.0	5.2	5.6
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	12	17	29	14	7	8	5	9	12	13	12	35
Short	29	19	30	46	40	37	42	38	27	35	36	34
Adequate	56	62	41	40	52	53	53	52	49	50	50	31
Surplus	3	2	0	0	1	2	0	1	12	2	2	0
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	42	27	41	24	10	3	28	10	12	21	17	52
Short	42	24	34	48	38	37	30	47	31	37	39	34
Adequate	16	49	25	28	52	59	42	43	57	42	44	14
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Planted	47	54	53	15	20	25	7	14	15	33	13	37
Winter Wheat Emerged	6	21	15	1	2	5	1	1	2	8	3	9
Corn Mature	80	74	71	64	96	88	71	85	86	77	52	98
Corn Harvested	23	31	20	9	35	52	10	15	52	26	16	73
Sorghum Coloring	93	97	87	95	93	92	99	95	96	93	85	82
Sorghum Mature	23	50	15	23	33	25	39	34	50	28	16	39
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	78	83	48	88	76	56	73	51	47	66	43	59
Soybeans Harvested	15	1	2	20	10	6	4	4	1	8	1	11