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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, April 28, 2014 -- For the week ending April 27, 2014, most of eastern and north central Kansas received an inch or more of precipitation, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. However, only limited amounts of moisture were recorded in western drought counties. Average temperatures were 4 to 8 degrees above normal for the week. Many farmers took advantage of the good weather to plant corn before the rains came. There were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies improved to 27 percent very short, 40 short, 32 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 28 percent very short, 44 short, 28 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 13 percent very poor, 24 poor, 42 fair, 20 good, and 1 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 56 percent, near 52 last year but behind the five-year average of 74. Winter wheat headed was 4 percent, compared to 1 last year and 17 average.

Corn planted was 37 percent complete, ahead of 7 last year and 30 average. Corn emerged was 11 percent, compared to 1 last year and 9 average.

Cotton planted was 1 percent complete, compared to 0 last year and 1 average.

Soybeans planted was 1 percent complete, compared to 0 last year and 1 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Cattle and calf conditions were 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 32 fair, 55 good, and 7 excellent. Cattle and calf losses were 22 percent below normal, 77 normal, and 1 above normal.

Sheep and lamb conditions were 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 36 fair, 59 good, and 4 excellent. Sheep and lamb losses were 17 percent below normal, 81 normal, and 2 above normal.

Hay and forage supplies rated 6 percent very short, 15 short, 75 adequate, and 4 surplus.

Stock water supplies were rated 16 percent very short, 28 short, 56 adequate, and 0 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://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2014/CropProg-04-28-2014.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/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?KS>

**Days Suitable, Soil Moisture, and Crop Progress, by District
for the Week Ending April 27, 2014**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.4	5.4	5.7	4.7	5.9	6.5	4.3	3.7	5.4	5.4	6.1	2.7
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	27	32	53	29	31	31	0	6	13	27	28	16
Short	36	53	36	39	51	53	9	21	29	40	44	20
Adequate	31	14	11	31	18	16	85	70	57	32	28	54
Surplus	6	1	0	1	0	0	6	3	1	1	0	10
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	42	36	54	39	26	19	0	7	15	28	28	30
Short	45	55	32	44	56	55	18	34	33	44	45	33
Adequate	13	9	14	17	18	26	81	58	52	28	27	35
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Jointed	12	35	67	31	62	85	51	63	80	56	39	52
Corn Planted	7	14	22	33	46	55	51	66	90	37	21	7
Corn Emerged	0	1	3	1	5	19	4	23	62	11	5	9