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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, May 27, 2014 -- For the week ending May 25, 2014, temperatures averaged 4 to 8 degrees warmer than normal across most of Kansas, with beneficial rains late in the week in many areas, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Rainfall amounts of an inch or more were common in the east and north with lesser amounts elsewhere. Areas of the Flintheads received the most rain last week, improving grass stands stunted by drought, and beginning to replenish some stock ponds. The impact of the previous weekend's freezing temperatures in the eastern third of Kansas was still being assessed. There were 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Topsoil moisture supply ratings for Kansas improved to 30 percent very short, 36 short, 33 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 37 percent very short, 39 short, 24 adequate, and 0 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 27 percent very poor, 34 poor, 28 fair, 10 good, and 1 excellent. Winter wheat headed was 89 percent, ahead of 69 last year and the five-year average of 87. Winter wheat coloring was 11 percent, ahead of 0 last year but behind 20 average.

Corn condition rated 3 percent very poor, 7 poor, 54 fair, 33 good, and 3 excellent. Corn planted was 93 percent complete, ahead of 85 last year but equal to the average. Corn emerged was 70 percent, well ahead of 47 last year but near 67 average.

Cotton planted was 37 percent complete, compared to 28 last year, but near 35 average.

Sorghum planted was 16 percent, compared to 13 last year and 22 average. Sorghum emerged was 3 percent, compared to 2 last year and 7 average.

Soybeans planted was 58 percent complete, well ahead 34 last year and ahead of 48 average. Soybeans emerged was 25 percent, ahead of 7 last year and 20 average.

Sunflowers planted was 7 percent, compared to 4 last year and 10 average. Sunflowers emerged was 1 percent compared to 0 for both last year and average.

Alfalfa hay condition was 10 percent very poor, 25 poor, 42 fair, 21 good, and 2 excellent. Forty-three percent of alfalfa first cutting was complete, well ahead of 21 last year but behind 52 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range condition rated 18 percent very poor, 25 poor, 38 fair, 18 good, and 1 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 19 percent very short, 30 short, 51 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-05-27-2014.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&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/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?KS>

**Days Suitable, Soil Moisture, and Crop Progress, by District  
for the Week Ending May 25, 2014**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.2	5.6	5.8	5.0	5.5	5.1	4.3	4.6	5.7	5.3	5.7	5.7
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	37	42	55	29	37	33	0	4	16	30	33	17
Short	35	43	33	40	39	34	17	25	34	36	40	24
Adequate	28	15	12	31	24	24	82	69	48	33	27	55
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	9	1	2	2	1	0	4
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	49	48	64	41	48	30	8	7	20	37	37	28
Short	43	47	29	43	35	48	24	40	32	39	40	29
Adequate	8	5	7	16	17	22	68	53	46	24	23	41
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Headed	65	84	92	89	97	94	79	86	96	89	71	69
Winter Wheat Coloring	2	4	13	2	17	20	1	3	19	11	0	0
Corn Planted	87	84	94	96	96	98	97	98	100	93	86	85
Corn Emerged	47	38	63	63	85	91	88	90	97	70	52	47
Sorghum Planted	16	9	8	9	23	35	47	35	61	16	7	13
Soybeans Planted	35	13	52	70	51	62	74	56	42	58	32	34
Soybeans Emerged	6	4	27	24	27	28	37	30	12	25	7	7