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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, August 4, 2014 -- For the week ending August 3, 2014, beneficial rains were welcomed in southwest and south central Kansas, while moisture was limited in other areas, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Where the rains missed, row crops were stressed. Temperatures were mild, averaging four to eight degrees below normal across most of the State. There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 13 percent very short, 34 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 19 percent very short, 33 percent short, 47 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 9 poor, 31 fair, 43 good, and 14 excellent. Corn silking was 94 percent, ahead of 86 last year, but near the five-year average of 93. Corn in the dough stage was 51 percent, ahead of 38 last year, but near 49 average.

Sorghum conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 33 fair, 50 good, and 9 excellent. Sorghum headed was 26 percent, near 27 last year, but behind 31 average. Sorghum coloring was 1 percent, near 0 last year and 3 average.

Soybean conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 37 fair, 46 good, and 9 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 73 percent, ahead of 67 last year, but equal to the average. Soybeans setting pods was 38 percent, ahead of 22 last year and 28 average.

Sunflower conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 34 fair, 51 good, and 9 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 28 percent, near 29 last year, but behind 37 average.

Cotton conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 38 fair, 51 good, and 5 excellent. Cotton squaring was 66 percent, behind 79 last year and 89 average. Cotton setting bolls was at 15 percent, near 16 last year, but well behind 41 average.

Alfalfa hay conditions were 4 percent very poor, 12 poor, 38 fair, 37 good, and 9 excellent. Alfalfa hay third cutting was 46 percent complete, ahead of 29 last year, but behind 55 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 6 percent very poor, 17 poor, 42 fair, 33 good, and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 7 percent very short, 18 short, 74 adequate, and 1 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-08-04-2014.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 August 3, 2014**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	LAST STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for	6.2	6	4.8	6.6	6.7	5.6	6.3	6.9	6.2	6.0	6.7	2.8
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	15	13	18	26	14	4	15	10	6	13	12	13
Short	35	28	30	42	46	18	34	46	38	34	32	19
Adequate	50	55	50	32	36	72	51	41	56	51	53	51
Surplus	0	4	2	0	4	6	0	3	0	2	3	17
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	32	19	37	34	14	2	14	8	8	19	16	21
Short	40	38	28	48	33	20	31	37	35	33	32	30
Adequate	28	37	34	18	52	76	55	55	57	47	51	43
Surplus	0	6	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	6
Crop Progress	Percent											
Corn Silking	84	98	94	97	98	97	99	99	98	94	86	86
Corn Dough	13	37	39	55	76	71	64	79	84	51	36	38
Sorghum Headed	33	24	10	23	32	42	48	47	51	26	14	27
Sorghum Coloring	0	1	0	0	0	6	6	11	19	1	0	0
Soybeans Blooming	55	72	45	72	78	64	94	78	59	73	60	67
Soybeans Setting Pods	17	24	15	40	38	27	57	49	22	38	24	22