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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, August 11, 2014 -- For the week ending August 10, widespread and much needed rain fell across most of Kansas, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. However, reports indicated that additional moisture was needed. There were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 10 percent very short, 30 percent short, 58 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 18 percent very short, 33 percent short, 48 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn conditions rated 5 percent very poor, 9 poor, 31 fair, 42 good, and 13 excellent. Corn silking was 97 percent, near 96 last year and the five-year average of 98. Corn in the dough stage was 66 percent, ahead of 56 last year, but equal to the average. Corn dented was 12 percent, ahead of 8 last year but behind 26 average.

Sorghum conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 8 poor, 33 fair, 48 good, and 8 excellent. Sorghum headed was 43 percent, behind 50 last year and 51 average. Sorghum coloring was 4 percent, near 2 last year and 5 average.

Soybean conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 35 fair, 46 good, and 10 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 83 percent, near 80 last year and equal to the average. Soybeans setting pods was 52 percent, ahead of 40 last year and 45 average.

Sunflower conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 34 fair, 51 good, and 8 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 44 percent, behind 51 last year and 56 average.

Cotton conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 36 fair, 51 good, and 7 excellent. Cotton squaring was 73 percent, behind 83 last year and 96 average. Cotton setting bolls was at 28 percent, near 32 last year, but well behind 57 average. Cotton bolls opening was at 2 percent, near 0 last year and equal to the average.

Alfalfa hay conditions were 5 percent very poor, 12 poor, 38 fair, 36 good, and 9 excellent. Alfalfa hay third cutting was 59 percent complete, ahead of 35 last year, but behind 67 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 7 percent very poor, 17 poor, 40 fair, 34 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-08-11-2014.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 August 10, 2014**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	LAST STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	
Days Suitable for	5.4	4.8	5.7	6.3	6	4.8	4.2	5.1	5.8	5.4	6.0	2.1	
Topsoil Moisture	Percent												
Very Short	16	10	18	21	10	5	2	7	5	10	13	9	
Short	34	25	25	46	41	15	24	33	37	30	34	14	
Adequate	50	60	55	33	45	74	74	57	58	58	51	52	
Surplus	0	5	2	0	4	6	0	3	0	2	2	25	
Subsoil Moisture	Percent												
Very Short	34	18	33	37	15	2	12	8	8	18	19	17	
Short	39	36	29	48	38	19	25	35	34	33	33	19	
Adequate	27	40	37	15	46	77	62	57	58	48	47	51	
Surplus	0	6	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	13	
Crop Progress	Percent												
Corn Silking	93	99	98	99	99	100	99	99	99	97	94	96	
Corn Dough	32	47	58	76	90	80	83	88	89	66	51	56	
Corn Dented	0	0	3	17	27	20	14	25	35	12	NA	8	
Sorghum Headed	51	40	24	48	50	56	65	60	68	43	26	50	
Sorghum Coloring	1	2	0	3	8	13	11	18	29	4	1	2	
Soybeans Blooming	64	79	61	88	86	75	97	86	70	83	73	80	
Soybeans Setting Pods	26	42	29	52	60	44	73	60	30	52	38	40	