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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, September 22, 2014 -- For the week ending September 21, 2014, rain showers were limited mostly to the eastern third of Kansas, with average temperatures above normal across most of State, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were 6.0 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture rated 8 percent very short, 26 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 16 percent very short, 31 percent short, 52 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planted was at 15 percent near 12 last year and the five-year average of 13. Winter wheat emerged was 3 percent, equal to last year and near 2 average.

Corn conditions rated 6 percent very poor, 10 poor, 29 fair, 41 good, and 14 excellent. Corn dented was 94 percent, near 95 last year and 98 average. Corn mature was 60 percent, ahead of 49 last year, but behind 73 average. Corn harvested was 26 percent, ahead of 15 last year, but behind 33 average.

Sorghum conditions rated 4 percent very poor, 10 poor, 32 fair, 45 good, and 9 excellent. Sorghum coloring was 82 percent, near 83 last year and 80 average. Sorghum mature was 23 percent, ahead of 14 last year, but near 21 average. Sorghum harvested was 3 percent, near 1 last year and 4 average.

Soybean conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 10 poor, 35 fair, 42 good, and 10 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 38 percent, near 40 last year and 41 average.

Sunflower conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 7 poor, 32 fair, 52 good, and 6 excellent. Ray flowers dried was 68 percent, behind 80 last year and 78 average. Sunflowers turning yellow was 44 percent, behind 58 last year and 56 average. Sunflowers turning brown was 9 percent, behind 25 last year and average at 21.

Cotton conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 34 fair, 56 good, and 4 excellent. Cotton setting bolls was 93 percent, equal to last year, but behind 99 average. Cotton bolls opening was 31 percent, near 27 last year, but behind 38 average.

Alfalfa hay conditions rated 4 percent very poor, 11 poor, 40 fair, 38 good, and 7 excellent. Alfalfa hay fourth cutting was 59 percent complete, ahead of 48 last year, but near 55 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 7 percent very poor, 16 poor, 42 fair, 33 good, and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 7 percent very short, 19 short, 73 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-09-22-2014.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 September 21, 2014**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	6.2	6.6	6.8	5.5	5.4	6.7	5.4	4.9	5.0	6.0	4.9	5.2
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	13	7	22	5	4	9	3	4	5	8	8	12
Short	30	26	33	24	22	38	12	24	22	26	24	37
Adequate	56	61	45	66	68	52	85	69	70	64	66	49
Surplus	1	6	0	5	6	1	0	3	3	2	2	2
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	25	14	36	20	8	8	9	9	8	16	16	17
Short	36	32	28	41	32	33	23	31	28	31	31	39
Adequate	38	48	36	37	57	57	68	60	64	52	52	44
Surplus	1	6	0	2	3	2	0	0	0	1	1	0
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Planted	21	26	31	2	5	15	7	6	5	15	5	12
Corn Dented	93	88	92	99	99	97	96	97	100	94	90	95
Corn Mature	33	41	51	55	92	83	59	94	94	60	47	49
Corn Harvested	8	15	12	9	49	46	12	55	84	26	18	15
Sorghum Coloring	86	88	73	80	84	88	94	95	85	82	67	83
Sorghum Mature	9	25	12	19	28	49	17	31	56	23	14	15
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	59	48	32	48	43	44	42	27	26	38	22	40