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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, October 14, 2014 -- For the week ending October 12, 2014, rain showers of an inch or more were received by most of the State, slowing harvest, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Temperatures were near normal. Activities included harvesting row crops, seeding wheat and marketing livestock. The number of days suitable for field work was 4.2. Topsoil moisture rated 5 percent very short, 20 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 13 percent very short, 27 percent short, 58 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planted was at 67 percent, behind the five-year average of 73. Winter wheat emerged was 42 percent, near 40 average.

Corn conditions rated 6 percent very poor, 10 poor, 28 fair, 41 good, and 15 excellent. Corn mature was 93 percent, near 97 average. Corn harvested was 56 percent, behind 67 average.

Sorghum conditions rated 4 percent very poor, 11 poor, 33 fair, 43 good, and 9 excellent. Sorghum mature was 65 percent, near 67 average. Sorghum harvested was 15 percent, behind 24 average.

Soybean conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 10 poor, 35 fair, 42 good, and 10 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 78 percent, behind average at 86. Soybeans harvested was 18 percent, well behind 42 average.

Sunflower conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 7 poor, 32 fair, 52 good, and 6 excellent. Ray flowers dried was 92 percent, near 94 average. Sunflowers turning yellow was 83 percent, near 87 average. Sunflowers turning brown was 57 percent, behind 68 average. Sunflowers harvested was at 7 percent, behind 20 average.

Cotton conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 33 fair, 56 good, and 5 excellent. Cotton bolls opening was 65 percent, behind 76 average. Cotton harvested was 1 percent, near 3 average.

Alfalfa hay fourth cutting was 84 percent complete, ahead of 79 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 7 percent very poor, 15 poor, 42 fair, 34 good, and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 7 percent very short, 18 short, 73 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Note: Due to a lapse in federal funding in October 2013, the Crop Progress reports for the weeks ending October 6, 2013 and October 13, 2013 were canceled. Therefore, previous year estimates for the corresponding weeks will not be available. Five-year average estimates will reflect the years 2009-2013 using published estimates for 2009-2012 and imputed estimates for 2013.

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-10-14-2014.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 October 12, 2014

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	4.6	4.5	4.7	4.1	4.1	4.5	3.3	3	3.7	4.2	5.3	NA
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	9	4	13	6	1	8	1	2	4	5	8	NA
Short	24	18	29	20	14	31	5	12	18	20	26	NA
Adequate	65	72	56	66	71	54	75	75	56	66	63	NA
Surplus	2	6	2	8	14	7	19	11	22	9	3	NA
Subsoil Moisture												
Very Short	23	9	35	19	4	9	2	5	7	13	15	NA
Short	34	23	27	37	21	33	17	22	26	27	30	NA
Adequate	43	63	38	41	70	57	76	71	63	58	54	NA
Surplus	0	5	0	3	5	1	5	2	4	2	1	NA
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Planted	86	83	81	58	59	66	23	28	35	67	51	NA
Winter Wheat Emerged	56	57	64	22	36	40	10	15	13	42	26	NA
Corn Mature	90	88	91	88	99	100	97	100	98	93	88	NA
Corn Harvested	33	45	43	39	84	83	51	89	95	56	46	NA
Sorghum Mature	63	69	57	59	66	83	63	72	77	65	49	NA
Sorghum Harvested	5	17	13	9	15	35	5	28	53	15	9	NA
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	98	87	76	87	84	87	82	76	59	78	68	NA
Soybeans Harvested	47	29	27	27	19	25	13	10	14	18	8	NA

NA= Not Available, see note on page 1