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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, August 10, 2015 - For the week ending August 9, 2015, the north central part of the State received three or more inches of rain, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The remainder of the State received half an inch or more of precipitation and experienced near normal temperatures. There were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 3 percent very short, 19 short, 72 adequate, and 6 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 6 percent very short, 20 short, 71 adequate, and 3 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn condition rated 3 percent very poor, 7 poor, 31 fair, 49 good, and 10 excellent. Corn silking was at 96 percent, near 97 last year and for the five-year average. Dough was at 60 percent, near 64 last year, but behind 67 average. Dented was 14 percent, near 10 last year, but behind 25 average.

Soybeans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 8 poor, 39 fair, 47 good, and 5 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 75 percent, behind 82 last year and 81 average. Setting pods was 45 percent, behind 50 last year, but near 41 average.

Sorghum condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 27 fair, 61 good, and 7 excellent. Sorghum headed was 60 percent, ahead of 41 last year and 48 average. Sorghum coloring was 5 percent, near 4 last year, but equal to the average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 very poor, 2 poor, 28 fair, 60 good, and 9 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 32 percent, behind 42 last year and 51 average.

Alfalfa hay conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 33 fair, 55 good, and 5 excellent. Alfalfa third cutting was 72 percent, ahead of 57 last year and 63 average. Fourth cutting was 8 percent.

Cotton condition rated 0 percent very poor, 10 poor, 28 fair, 52 good, and 10 excellent. Cotton emerged was 95 percent. Squaring was 83 percent, ahead of 72 last year, but behind 88 average. Setting bolls was 42 percent, ahead of 26 last year, but behind 48 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Conditions:** Pasture and range condition rated 2 very poor, 6 poor, 30 fair, 52 good, and 10 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 8 short, 87 adequate, and 3 surplus.

*Data for this release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service agency and KSU Extension Service.*

*District level data are 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/2015/CropProg-08-10-2015.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>

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Days Suitable, Soil Moisture and Crop Progress by District  
For the Week Ending August 9, 2015

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.1	6.0	6.6	4.7	5.1	5.2	4.6	5.3	4.7	5.4
Topsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	3	5	7	6	4	1	0	1	0	3
Short	28	18	23	19	19	10	12	30	16	19
Adequate	63	75	67	72	73	73	67	63	82	72
Surplus	6	2	3	3	4	16	21	6	2	6
Subsoil Moisture										
Very Short	10	8	11	12	5	1	0	2	0	6
Short	28	19	25	21	23	15	4	24	14	20
Adequate	57	73	63	66	70	79	75	68	86	71
Surplus	5	0	1	1	2	5	21	6	0	3
Corn Silking	93	85	99	97	100	97	98	99	100	96
Corn Dough	25	42	60	42	82	77	78	78	87	60
Corn Dented	11	5	6	1	20	21	13	30	32	14
Soybeans Blooming	85	91	96	72	83	77	87	75	71	75
Soybeans Setting Pods	61	53	61	45	60	50	52	35	38	45
Sorghum Headed	60	74	64	46	60	61	35	45	65	60
Sorghum Coloring	3	8	4	0	5	13	0	3	28	5