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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, September 28, 2015 - For the week ending September 27, 2015, temperatures four to eight degrees above normal and light rain were experienced throughout most of the State, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 11 percent very short, 32 short, 56 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 11 percent very short, 30 short, 59 adequate, and 0 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat planted rated 24 percent, behind 29 last year, but near 27 for the five-year average. Emerged was 4 percent, behind 12 last year, but near 7 average.

Corn condition rated 3 percent very poor, 9 poor, 31 fair, 47 good, and 10 excellent. Corn mature was 86 percent, ahead of 72 last year, but near 84 average. Harvested was 42 percent, ahead of 34 last year, but near 46 average.

Soybeans condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 33 fair, 48 good, and 9 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves rated 49 percent, near 53 last year, but behind 55 average. Harvested was 5 percent, near 2 last year and 6 average.

Sorghum condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 30 fair, 53 good, and 9 excellent. Sorghum coloring was 97 percent, ahead of 90 last year and 87 average. Mature rated 58 percent, ahead of 33 last year and 35 average. Harvested was 15 percent, ahead of 5 last year, and 7 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 very poor, 2 poor, 31 fair, 57 good, and 9 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dried rated 78 percent, near 77 last year, but behind 84 average. Bracts turning yellow rated 40 percent, behind 55 last year and well behind 67 average.

Alfalfa fourth cutting was 80 percent, ahead of 68 last year and 64 average.

Cotton condition rated 0 percent very poor, 11 poor, 26 fair, 52 good, and 11 excellent. Cotton bolls opening rated 39 percent, near 40 last year, but behind 53 average. Harvested was 3 percent, ahead of 0 both last year and average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Conditions:** Pasture and range condition rated 3 very poor, 10 poor, 34 fair, 45 good, and 8 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 3 percent very short, 12 short, 84 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 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-09-28-2015.pdf>

*Access the High Plains Regional Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:*

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

*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 September 27, 2015**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
<b>Days Suitable for Fieldwork</b>	5.4	6.2	6.6	6.1	6.2	6.5	4.6	6.3	6.7	6.2
<b>Topsoil Moisture</b>	<b>Percent</b>									
Very Short	32	8	12	15	24	1	5	0	1	11
Short	35	43	34	47	34	23	28	17	21	32
Adequate	33	49	54	38	41	70	66	80	78	56
Surplus	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	3	0	1
<b>Subsoil Moisture</b>										
Very Short	30	8	16	16	12	1	1	3	1	11
Short	39	34	32	37	37	19	36	22	18	30
Adequate	31	58	52	47	51	80	63	73	80	59
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
<b>Corn Mature</b>	72	77	84	88	96	94	89	96	98	86
<b>Corn Harvested</b>	23	31	34	32	70	63	24	64	84	42
<b>Soybeans Drop Leaves</b>	89	73	74	80	68	51	44	22	31	49
<b>Soybeans Harvested</b>	9	5	15	10	10	8	3	2	1	5
<b>Sorghum Coloring</b>	96	99	96	97	97	96	79	92	93	97
<b>Sorghum Mature</b>	52	56	65	50	61	67	11	29	70	58
<b>Sorghum Harvested</b>	14	17	10	8	16	32	1	1	38	15
<b>Winter Wheat Planted</b>	28	30	45	10	14	23	3	11	11	24