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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, March 28, 2016 – For the week ending March 27, 2016, temperatures were near average, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Portions of the State received five inches of snow or more, with only the central and southwest regions remaining dry. Range fires were experienced in parts of the State. There were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 10 percent very short, 38 short, 51 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 8 percent very short, 30 short, 61 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 37 fair, 49 good, and 7 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 30 percent, ahead of 12 last year and the five-year average of 16.

Corn planting was underway in southern counties and was 2 percent complete, compared to 0 last year and average.

Livestock Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 23 fair, 69 good, and 6 excellent. Calving progress was 74 percent complete. Cattle and calves death loss rated 1 percent heavy, 59 average, and 40 light.

Sheep and lamb conditions was 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 29 fair, 68 good, and 3 excellent. Sheep and lambs death loss rated 0 percent heavy, 67 average, and 33 light.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 0 percent very short, 5 short, 85 adequate, and 10 surplus.

Stock water supplies were 4 percent very short, 15 short, 80 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.

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

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**Days Suitable, Soil Moisture and Crop Progress by District
For the Week Ending March 27, 2016**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.0	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.3	5.9	4.4	4.7	5.9	5.7
Topsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	13	6	25	7	8	3	3	3	5	10
Short	32	47	42	38	48	35	29	30	28	38
Adequate	53	47	33	55	43	57	68	67	66	51
Surplus	2	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	1	1
Subsoil Moisture										
Very Short	14	5	13	12	8	3	7	3	5	8
Short	35	29	37	29	29	31	16	23	30	30
Adequate	50	66	49	59	62	64	72	74	64	61
Surplus	1	0	1	0	1	2	5	0	1	1
Winter Wheat Jointed	5	8	35	9	23	56	8	35	73	30