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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**Manhattan, KS** – For the week ending September 25, 2016, temperatures were eight to ten degrees above normal, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The eastern part of the State received up to three inches of rain, while the west remained mostly dry. There were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 3 percent very short, 10 short, 75 adequate, and 12 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 2 percent very short, 11 short, 77 adequate, and 10 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat planted was 20 percent, equal to last year, and near the five-year average of 22. Emerged was 3 percent, equal to last year, and near 5 average.

Corn condition rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 26 fair, 54 good, and 11 excellent. Corn mature was 81 percent, equal to last year, and near 79 average. Harvested was 29 percent, behind 38 last year and 40 average.

Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 24 fair, 56 good, and 15 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 34 percent, behind 45 last year and 48 average. Harvested was 2 percent, near 4 both last year and average.

Sorghum condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 21 fair, 59 good, and 16 excellent. Sorghum coloring was 96 percent, near 95 last year, and ahead of 85 average. Mature was 46 percent, behind 52 last year, but ahead of 32 average. Harvested was 10 percent, near 13 last year and 6 average.

Cotton condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 29 fair, 64 good, and 4 excellent. Cotton setting bolls was 94 percent, behind 99 last year, and near 98 average. Bolls opening was 39 percent, near 36 last year and 43 average. Harvested was 3 percent, equal to last year, and near 1 average.

Sunflower condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 28 fair, 63 good, and 5 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dried was 77 percent, near 75 last year and 81 average. Bracts turning yellow was 55 percent, well ahead of 33 last year, but near 59 average. Bracts turning brown was 23 percent.

Alfalfa hay fourth cutting was 81 percent complete, near 78 last year, and well ahead of 61 average.

**Livestock, Pasture, and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 23 fair, 59 good, and 13 excellent.

Stock water supplies were 1 percent very short, 4 short, 80 adequate, and 15 surplus.

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

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:  
<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2016/CropProg-09-26-2016.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>

**Days Suitable, Soil Moisture and Crop Progress by District  
 For the Week Ending September 26, 2016**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
<b>Days Suitable for Fieldwork</b>	6.3	6.6	6.7	4.5	5.4	5.7	4.8	4.6	4.4	5.7
<b>Topsoil Moisture</b>	<b>Percent</b>									
Very Short	6	2	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Short	18	14	21	1	4	9	5	3	2	10
Adequate	68	82	68	86	72	76	76	75	72	75
Surplus	8	2	0	13	24	15	19	22	26	12
<b>Subsoil Moisture</b>	<b>Percent</b>									
Very Short	4	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Short	26	16	22	4	2	5	11	6	3	11
Adequate	63	82	70	89	77	82	73	72	79	77
Surplus	7	0	1	7	21	13	16	22	18	10
<b>Winter Wheat Planted</b>	22	33	47	4	12	12	5	9	4	20
<b>Corn Mature</b>	70	56	87	64	95	89	82	91	97	81
<b>Corn Harvested</b>	13	20	24	13	56	35	22	38	71	29
<b>Soybeans Dropping Leaves</b>	73	74	86	36	52	34	31	23	27	34
<b>Sorghum Coloring</b>	97	98	95	95	98	94	95	94	92	96
<b>Sorghum Mature</b>	34	58	62	14	45	49	32	39	73	46
<b>Sorghum Harvested</b>	4	6	15	1	6	23	3	9	27	10

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