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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**MANHATTAN, Kan. May 15, 2017** – For the week ending May 14, 2017, temperatures averaged two to six degrees above normal across the State, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Most of Kansas received additional rainfall, with many areas receiving an inch or more. While the recent rainfall has caused some planting delays, it has continued to improve pasture quality. There were 3.5 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 0 percent very short, 1 short, 76 adequate, and 23 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 0 percent very short, 3 short, 85 adequate, and 12 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 10 percent very poor, 17 poor, 29 fair, 38 good, and 6 excellent. Winter wheat headed was 84 percent, near 87 last year, but ahead of the five-year average of 68. Coloring was 8 percent, near 4 last year.

Corn planted was 60 percent, behind 78 last year and 72 average. Emerged was 34 percent, behind 49 last year and 42 average.

Soybeans planted was 16 percent, near 13 last year, but behind 20 average. Emerged was 4 percent, near 1 last year and 5 average.

Sorghum planted was 2 percent, equal to last year, and near 5 average.

Cotton planted was 2 percent, near 3 last year, and behind 12 average.

Sunflowers planted was 1 percent, near 0 last year and 2 average.

Alfalfa hay first cutting was 18 percent complete.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 18 fair, 64 good, and 15 excellent.

Stock water supplies were 0 percent very short, 1 short, 75 adequate, and 24 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/2017/CropProg-05-15-2017.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 May 15, 2017**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
<b>Days Suitable for Fieldwork</b>	2.6	3.6	3.8	4.8	3.7	2.6	5.2	3.8	2.3	3.5
<b>Topsoil Moisture</b>	<b>Percent</b>									
Very Short	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Short	3	3	1	2	1	0	4	0	0	1
Adequate	68	71	82	80	85	68	92	76	53	76
Surplus	28	26	17	17	14	32	4	24	47	23
<b>Subsoil Moisture</b>										
Very Short	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Short	12	2	3	2	4	1	2	0	0	3
Adequate	81	89	96	88	83	72	89	82	77	85
Surplus	4	9	1	10	13	27	9	18	23	12
<b>Winter Wheat Headed</b>	58	74	81	83	97	94	79	93	99	84
<b>Winter Wheat Coloring</b>	0	0	0	3	12	19	0	5	33	8
<b>Corn Planted</b>	21	27	47	77	83	70	97	72	73	60
<b>Corn Emerged</b>	8	15	18	26	50	48	62	44	60	34

*Note: District-level soybean estimates will not be published in 2017 due to lack of external funding.*

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