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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**MANHATTAN, Kan. August 7, 2017** – For the week ending August 6, 2017, temperatures remained well below average across the entire State, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Measurable rainfall was recorded in every county, with heavy localized rain totaling up to six inches in some eastern counties. There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 9 percent very short, 35 short, 51 adequate, and 5 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 6 percent very short, 31 short, 61 adequate, and 2 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn condition rated 4 percent very poor, 11 poor, 31 fair, 44 good, and 10 excellent. Corn silking was 90 percent, behind 96 last year and 95 for the five-year average. Dough was 51 percent, near 53 last year, and behind 56 average. Dented was 10 percent, near 11 last year, and behind 16 average.

Soybean condition rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 38 fair, 49 good, and 4 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 85 percent, ahead of 79 last year and 76 average. Setting pods was 51 percent, ahead of 42 last year and 38 average.

Sorghum condition rated 1 percent very poor, 8 poor, 31 fair, 53 good, and 7 excellent. Sorghum headed was 44 percent, behind 63 last year, and near 46 average. Coloring was 2 percent, behind 8 last year, and near 5 average.

Cotton condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 30 fair, 61 good, and 3 excellent. Cotton squaring was 69 percent, behind 76 last year and 79 average. Setting bolls was 29 percent, near 27 last year, but behind 34 average. Bolls opening was 1 percent, near 0 last year, and equal to average.

Sunflower condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 35 fair, 60 good, and 2 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 37 percent, behind 56 last year, and near 41 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 2 percent very poor, 9 poor, 32 fair, 53 good, and 4 excellent. Alfalfa third cutting was 80 percent complete, ahead of 72 last year, and well ahead of 60 average. Fourth cutting was 6 percent.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 9 poor, 32 fair, 51 good, and 6 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 9 short, 88 adequate, and 1 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-08-07-2017.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 August 6, 2017**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
<b>Days Suitable for Fieldwork</b>	5.9	6.9	5.7	5.7	6.7	6.6	5.5	5.2	4.7	6.0
<b>Topsoil Moisture</b>	<b>Percent</b>									
Very Short	4	0	8	14	19	12	19	3	4	9
Short	27	24	35	43	52	49	34	17	20	35
Adequate	57	69	52	41	29	39	40	67	71	51
Surplus	12	7	5	2	0	0	7	13	5	5
<b>Subsoil Moisture</b>	<b>Percent</b>									
Very Short	4	0	8	7	13	5	8	2	3	6
Short	30	17	21	38	48	49	44	20	12	31
Adequate	63	75	71	55	39	46	40	77	85	61
Surplus	3	8	0	0	0	0	8	1	0	2
<b>Corn Silking</b>	69	89	87	91	100	94	99	98	98	90
<b>Corn Dough</b>	12	31	37	59	80	67	76	68	74	51
<b>Corn Dented</b>	3	1	5	10	12	15	10	15	26	10
<b>Sorghum Headed</b>	32	59	39	31	49	51	51	29	63	44

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

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