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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**MANHATTAN, Kan. September 11, 2017** – For the week ending September 10, 2017, below normal temperatures and little to no rainfall were reported across the majority of the State, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Field activities included haying and ground preparation for wheat seeding. There were 6.9 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, 35 short, 55 adequate, and 2 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat planted was 3 percent, near 4 last year, and equal to the five-year average.

Corn condition rated 5 percent very poor, 13 poor, 28 fair, 43 good, and 11 excellent. Corn dough was 97 percent, equal to last year, and near 98 average. Dented was 84 percent, near 87 last year and 86 average. Mature was 45 percent, ahead of 40 last year, and near 44 average. Harvested was 10 percent, near 7 last year, but behind 15 average.

Soybean condition rated 4 percent very poor, 12 poor, 35 fair, 43 good, and 6 excellent. Soybeans setting pods was 97 percent, near 94 both last year and average. Dropping leaves was 20 percent, ahead of 11 last year, and near 16 average.

Sorghum condition rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 32 fair, 49 good, and 10 excellent. Sorghum coloring was 66 percent, behind 82 last year, and near 67 average. Mature was 9 percent, behind 18 last year, and near 13 average. Harvested was 1 percent, equal to last year, and near 2 average.

Cotton condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 35 fair, 53 good, and 6 excellent. Cotton setting bolls was 77 percent, near 81 last year, and behind 87 average. Bolls opening was 23 percent, ahead of 14 last year, and near 21 average. Harvested was 1 percent, equal to last year, and near 0 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 25 fair, 65 good, and 6 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 97 percent. Ray flowers dried was 39 percent, behind 44 last year and 52 average. Bracts turning yellow was 18 percent. Bracts turning brown was 4 percent.

Alfalfa fourth cutting was 73 percent complete, ahead of 61 last year, and well ahead of 47 average.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 4 percent very poor, 11 poor, 35 fair, 47 good, and 3 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 3 percent very short, 15 short, 82 adequate, and 0 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-09-11-2017.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 September 10, 2017**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
<b>Days Suitable for Fieldwork</b>	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.8	7.0	7.0	6.9	7.0	7.0	6.9
<b>Topsoil Moisture</b>	<b>Percent</b>									
Very Short	6	4	15	17	14	5	20	2	4	10
Short	23	36	33	52	50	51	35	21	30	38
Adequate	64	60	52	31	36	44	37	76	66	51
Surplus	7	0	0	0	0	0	8	1	0	1
<b>Subsoil Moisture</b>										
Very Short	4	1	10	14	18	2	16	1	3	8
Short	29	33	26	49	55	40	36	26	20	35
Adequate	65	66	64	37	27	51	39	72	77	55
Surplus	2	0	0	0	0	7	9	1	0	2
<b>Corn Dough</b>	87	97	99	95	100	100	98	99	100	97
<b>Corn Dented</b>	55	87	87	79	98	92	91	95	95	84
<b>Corn Mature</b>	19	29	42	41	73	52	48	62	76	45
<b>Corn Harvested</b>	0	1	5	8	16	10	4	9	49	10
<b>Sorghum Coloring</b>	51	77	74	53	62	67	66	71	82	66
<b>Sorghum Mature</b>	3	5	10	3	10	16	6	12	46	9

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

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