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Expected Kansas Winter Wheat Production Down 4 Percent

The 2009 Kansas wheat crop is forecast at 340.0 million bushels as of May 1, 2009. The current forecast is down 4 percent from the 2008 crop. This year's crop is expected to be harvested from 8.5 million acres, down 400,000 acres from 2008. Yield per harvested acre is expected to average 40 bushels, unchanged from last year.

Seeding of wheat acres began the second week of September and was ahead of average until the second week of October. Statewide, heavy rain was received the last three weeks of October with only 4 percent of the wheat being planted those 3 weeks. By November 16th, 97 percent of the wheat in the State had been seeded. Emergence progressed ahead of normal with ninety-five percent of the crop emerged by November 23rd. Soil moisture conditions were mostly adequate throughout the fall. Wheat condition was rated 67 percent good to excellent on November 30th.

The State received snow and freezing rain in December. Precipitation was below normal throughout the State the

rest of the winter. Temperatures across the State were below normal in December and above normal in January and February. As of March 1st, topsoil moisture was rated 66 percent very short to short, compared to 16 percent last year. Wheat conditions declined during the winter and were rated 50 percent good to excellent by the end of February.

As of April 26th, only 75 percent of the wheat was jointing compared to 83 percent for the 5-year average. Temperatures have been moderate across the State all spring except for the second week of April when they dropped below freezing. Rainfall was light until the second week of April when widespread showers started and continued throughout the month, with some areas of the State receiving over ten inches of rain. On April 26th, Statewide topsoil moisture was rated 95 percent adequate to surplus. Wheat condition ratings ranged from 37 percent good to excellent after the freezing temperatures to 48 percent good to excellent by the end of April.

Kansas Winter Wheat Production, May 1, 2009

| District | Acres Planted | | Acres Harvested | | | Yield Per Acre | | Production | | |
|---------------|-----------------------|-------|-----------------|-------|--------------|----------------|------|---------------|---------|---------------|
| | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | % of Prev Yr | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | % of Prev. Yr |
| | -----1,000 Acres----- | | | | | Bushels | | 1,000 Bushels | | |
| Northwest | 1,023 | 1,005 | 959 | 965 | 101 | 39.0 | 42.0 | 37,485 | 40,500 | 108 |
| West Central | 1,088 | 1,050 | 957 | 1,000 | 104 | 36.0 | 40.0 | 34,475 | 40,300 | 117 |
| Southwest | 1,415 | 1,360 | 1,248 | 1,230 | 99 | 36.0 | 38.0 | 44,745 | 46,300 | 103 |
| North Central | 1,351 | 1,190 | 1,268 | 1,130 | 89 | 44.5 | 41.0 | 56,215 | 46,100 | 82 |
| Central | 1,522 | 1,445 | 1,454 | 1,380 | 95 | 46.5 | 43.0 | 67,360 | 59,800 | 89 |
| South Central | 2,245 | 2,135 | 2,122 | 2,020 | 95 | 40.5 | 38.0 | 85,755 | 76,100 | 89 |
| Northeast | 180 | 155 | 170 | 150 | 88 | 34.5 | 46.0 | 5,860 | 6,900 | 118 |
| East Central | 236 | 200 | 217 | 190 | 88 | 30.0 | 39.0 | 6,480 | 7,500 | 116 |
| Southeast | 540 | 460 | 505 | 435 | 86 | 35.0 | 38.0 | 17,625 | 16,500 | 94 |
| State | 9,600 | 9,000 | 8,900 | 8,500 | 96 | 40.0 | 40.0 | 356,000 | 340,000 | 96 |

U.S. Winter Wheat Production Down 20 Percent

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.50 billion bushels, down 20 percent from 2008. Expected area for harvest as grain or seed totals 34.0 million acres, down 14

percent from last year. Based on May 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 44.2 bushels per acre, down 3.0 bushels from the previous year.

WINTER WHEAT, KANSAS AND SELECTED STATES¹, MAY 1, 2009

| State | Acreage | | | Yield Per Acre | | Production | | |
|---------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | Harvested 2008 | For Harvest 2009 | % of Prev. Yr. | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | % of Prev. Yr. |
| | -----1,000 Acres----- | | | Bushels | | 1,000 Bushels | | |
| KANSAS | 8,900 | 8,500 | 96 | 40.0 | 40.0 | 356,000 | 340,000 | 96 |
| Washington | 1,720 | 1,700 | 99 | 56.0 | 60.0 | 96,320 | 102,000 | 106 |
| Montana | 2,420 | 2,400 | 99 | 39.0 | 39.0 | 94,380 | 93,600 | 99 |
| Oklahoma | 4,500 | 3,500 | 78 | 37.0 | 23.0 | 166,500 | 80,500 | 48 |
| South Dakota | 1,890 | 1,550 | 82 | 55.0 | 49.0 | 103,950 | 75,950 | 73 |
| Colorado | 1,900 | 2,300 | 121 | 30.0 | 32.0 | 57,000 | 73,600 | 129 |
| Nebraska | 1,670 | 1,600 | 96 | 44.0 | 42.0 | 73,480 | 67,200 | 91 |
| Ohio | 1,090 | 990 | 91 | 68.0 | 66.0 | 74,120 | 65,340 | 88 |
| Texas | 3,300 | 2,400 | 73 | 30.0 | 27.0 | 99,000 | 64,800 | 65 |
| Idaho | 800 | 700 | 88 | 75.0 | 82.0 | 60,000 | 57,400 | 96 |
| United States | 39,614 | 33,995 | 86 | 47.2 | 44.2 | 1,867,903 | 1,502,074 | 80 |

¹ Selected states based on top 10 states according to production of winter wheat.

Hay Stocks

Kansas hay production during 2008 totaled 6.77 million tons, up 4 percent from the year before. As of May 1,

2009 hay stocks totaled 1,350,000 tons, compared with 5,700,000 tons on December 1, 2008 and 1,100,000 tons on May 1, 2008.

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