



News Release

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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIoux FALLS, SD, November 3, 2014 – For the week ending November 2, 2014, dry conditions and limited precipitation dominated the weather pattern across most of the state, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Statewide, there were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 1 percent very short, 27 short, 71 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 1 percent very short, 25 short, 73 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 27 fair, 58 good, and 13 excellent. Emerged was 85 percent, near 82 last year, but ahead of the five-year average of 77.

Corn harvested was 61 percent, equal to last year, but behind 70 average.

Sorghum mature was 95 percent, behind 99 last year and 100 average. Harvested was 80 percent, ahead of 68 last year, but equal to the average.

Sunflower conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 36 fair, 55 good, and 7 excellent. Bracts turning brown was 94 percent. Harvested was 48 percent, ahead of 30 last year, but behind 60 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 32 fair, 49 good, and 11 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 3 percent very short, 19 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency, SDSU Extension Service and other reporters across the state.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2014/CropProg-11-03-2014.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=SD®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?SD>