



# News Release

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## SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, SD, November 17, 2014 – For the week ending November 16, 2014, snowfall and well below normal temperatures dominated the weather pattern across most areas of the state, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Statewide, there were 3.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 20 short, 75 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 20 short, 75 adequate, and 1 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 26 fair, 58 good, and 11 excellent. Emerged was 95 percent, equal to last year, but ahead of the five-year average of 88.

Corn harvested was 92 percent, ahead of 87 last year and average of 83.

Sorghum harvested was 95 percent, ahead of 87 last year, but near 93 average.

Sunflowers harvested was 80 percent, well ahead of 61 last year, but near 82 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 9 poor, 32 fair, 49 good, and 8 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 7 percent very short, 15 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-11-17-2014.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&region=HPRCC](http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=SD&region=HPRCC)

*Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:*

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

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