



News Release

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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, SD, May 11, 2015 – For the week ending May 10, 2015, one to five inches of rain were received throughout the State, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. The rainfall helped replenish topsoil moisture supplies. The eastern portion of the State had above normal temperatures, while the western half was below normal. Statewide, there were 4.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 10 percent very short, 32 short, 51 adequate, and 7 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 17 percent very short, 42 short, 39 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn planted rated 76 percent, well ahead of 48 last year and the five-year average of 44. Emerged was 22 percent, well ahead of 4 last year and 8 average.

Soybeans planted rated 31 percent complete, ahead of 12 last year and 9 average.

Spring wheat planted rated 96 percent, ahead of 73 last year and 78 average. Emerged was 74 percent, well ahead of 42 last year and 44 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 13 percent very poor, 28 poor, 39 fair, 20 good, and 0 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 33 percent, well ahead of 3 last year.

Oats condition rated 0 percent very poor, 9 poor, 28 fair, 57 good, and 6 excellent. Oats planted rated 96 percent, well ahead of 72 last year and 79 average. Emerged was 71 percent, well ahead of 26 last year and 43 average.

Barley planted rated 97 percent, well ahead of 49 last year and 62 average. Emerged was 62 percent, well ahead of 6 last year and 27 average.

Sorghum planted rated 4 percent, near 2 last year and 1 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions were rated 8 percent very poor, 23 poor, 41 fair, 26 good and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 14 percent very short, 26 short, 59 adequate, and 1 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 Crop Progress and Condition Report at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2015/CropProg-05-11-2015.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>