



News Release

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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIoux FALLS, SD, June 15, 2015 – For the week ending June 14, 2015, the warmest temperatures of the season promoted crop emergence and growth, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Temperatures ranged from two to eight degrees above average for the week. Rainfall amounts varied across the State, ranging from a trace to over two inches. There were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 14 short, 75 adequate, and 6 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 7 percent very short, 22 short, 67 adequate, and 4 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 0 percent very poor, 4 poor, 26 fair, 60 good, and 10 excellent. Emerged was 95 percent, near 96 last year, but equal to 95 for the five-year average.

Soybeans condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 30 fair, 54 good, and 14 excellent. Planted rated 96 percent complete, near 97 last year and 93 average. Emerged was 83 percent, near 86 last year, but ahead of 71 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 8 poor, 39 fair, 44 good, and 9 excellent. Spring wheat jointed was 79 percent, well ahead of 42 last year. Headed was 25 percent, ahead of 8 last year, and near 24 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 12 percent very poor, 25 poor, 36 fair, 25 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 95 percent, well ahead of 73 last year. Headed was 79 percent, well ahead of 53 last year, and ahead of 62 average.

Oats condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 31 fair, 57 good, and 9 excellent. Oats headed rated 49 percent, ahead of 30 last year, but well ahead of 26 average.

Barley condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 24 fair, 71 good, and 5 excellent. Barley emerged was 99 percent, ahead of 87 last year and near 95 average. Jointing rated 65 percent, well ahead of 15 last year.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 37 fair, 59 good, and 4 excellent. Sorghum planted rated 60 percent, behind 76 last year, and well behind 82 average. Emerged was 36 percent, near 40 last year, but behind 43 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 25 fair, 74 good, and 1 excellent. Sunflowers planted rated 50 percent, behind 65 last year and 58 average. Emerged was 10 percent.

Alfalfa hay conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 32 fair, 55 good, and 7 excellent. First cutting rated 28 percent complete, near 25 last year, but behind 35 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions were rated 2 percent very poor, 9 poor, 31 fair, 41 good, and 17 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 5 percent very short, 17 short, 72 adequate, and 6 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-06-15-2015.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>

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