



News Release

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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIoux FALLS, SD, June 29, 2015 – For the week ending June 28, 2015, above average rainfall continued across much of west central and southwest South Dakota, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Rainfall totals of one inch or more were received in some western locations. Relatively dry conditions in the east allowed producers to continue haying and finish crop spraying. There were 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 16 short, 70 adequate, and 9 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 6 percent very short, 20 short, 68 adequate, and 6 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 23 fair, 60 good, and 12 excellent. Corn emerged was 99 percent, near 100 last year and the five-year average.

Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 27 fair, 56 good, and 14 excellent. Soybeans emerged was 98 percent, near 95 last year and 94 average. Blooming was 1 percent, behind 13 last year and 8 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 33 fair, 48 good, and 11 excellent. Spring wheat jointed was 96 percent, ahead of 88 last year. Headed was 60 percent, ahead of 53 last year and near 58 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 13 percent very poor, 23 poor, 35 fair, 27 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat headed was 91 percent, behind 96 last year, but near 92 average. Coloring rated 54 percent, well ahead of 27 last year, and ahead of 35 average. Mature rated 1 percent.

Oats condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 25 fair, 61 good, and 9 excellent. Oats headed rated 84 percent, ahead of 72 last year and 65 average. Coloring was at 23 percent.

Barley condition rated 3 percent very poor, 3 poor, 14 fair, 75 good, and 5 excellent. Barley jointed was 90 percent, ahead of 83 last year. Headed rated 49 percent, ahead of 37 last year, and near 45 average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 27 fair, 68 good, and 4 excellent. Sorghum planted rated 80 percent, behind 95 last year and 97 average. Emerged was 69 percent, behind 75 last year and 83 average.

Sunflower condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 25 fair, 71 good, and 3 excellent. Sunflowers planted rated 80 percent, near 83 last year, but behind 89 average. Emerged was 49 percent, behind 54 last year.

Alfalfa conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 31 fair, 54 good, and 7 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting rated 56 percent complete, behind 63 last year and 68 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions were rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 29 fair, 43 good, and 18 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 5 percent very short, 15 short, 74 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-06-29-2015.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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