



News Release

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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, SD, July 6, 2015 - For the week ending July 5, 2015, showers and thunderstorms throughout the week brought moisture to many locations, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Temperatures were near average for most of the State. There were 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 13 short, 74 adequate, and 8 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 6 percent very short, 20 short, 69 adequate, and 5 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 21 fair, 61 good, and 13 excellent. Corn silking was at 1 percent, near 5 last year and the five-year average of 4.

Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 23 fair, 59 good, and 15 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 17 percent, behind 36 last year, but near 21 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 32 fair, 49 good, and 11 excellent. Spring wheat headed was 86 percent, ahead of 78 last year and near 80 average. Coloring was at 30 percent, well ahead of 4 last year, and ahead of 23 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 10 percent very poor, 22 poor, 39 fair, 27 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat headed was 97 percent, near 100 last year and 98 average. Coloring rated 77 percent, ahead of 61 last year and 58 average. Mature rated 3 percent, near 2 last year, but behind 16 average.

Oats condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 22 fair, 63 good, and 10 excellent. Oats headed rated 96 percent, ahead of 84 last year and 80 average. Coloring was at 36 percent, well ahead of 11 last year and ahead of 27 average.

Barley condition rated 3 percent very poor, 3 poor, 15 fair, 71 good, and 8 excellent. Barley jointed was 96 percent, near 93 last year. Headed rated 67 percent, ahead of 58 last year, but near 64 average. Coloring was 12 percent, ahead of 3 last year, but near 15 average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 26 fair, 69 good, and 4 excellent. Sorghum planted rated 86 percent, behind 99 last year and 100 average. Emerged was 80 percent, behind 86 last year and 95 average. Headed was 1 percent, near 4 last year, and equal to the average.

Sunflower condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 26 fair, 70 good, and 3 excellent. Sunflowers planted rated 96 percent, near 95 last year and 98 average. Emerged was 72 percent, ahead of 67 last year.

Alfalfa conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 31 fair, 54 good, and 7 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting rated 69 percent complete, behind 76 last year and 84 average. Second cutting rated 6 percent complete, behind 12 last year.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions were rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 28 fair, 47 good, and 16 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 5 percent very short, 13 short, 77 adequate, and 5 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-07-06-2015.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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