



News Release

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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, SD, April 5, 2016 – For the week ending April 3, 2016, temperatures were above average statewide, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Most of the State received some precipitation with the heaviest amounts falling in the north central and southeast districts. There were 3.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 20 short, 71 adequate, and 5 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 24 short, 69 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 33 fair, 58 good, and 8 excellent.

Spring wheat planted was at 8 percent, near 12 last year and the five-year average of 10.

Oats planted was at 6 percent, near 7 last year and 8 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 13 fair, 78 good, and 9 excellent. Calving was 36 percent complete. Cattle and calf death loss rated 0 percent heavy, 57 average, and 43 light.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 23 fair, 69 good, and 8 excellent. Lambing was 44 percent complete. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 0 percent heavy, 69 average, and 31 light. Sheep shorn was at 30 percent, well behind 52 last year, but ahead of 14 average.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 0 percent very short, 3 short, 88 adequate, and 9 surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 3 percent very short, 19 short, 76 adequate, and 2 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/2016/CropProg-04-05-2016.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

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

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