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## SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**SIoux FALLS, S.D. October 18, 2021** - For the week ending October 17, 2021, there were 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 20% very short, 31% short, 44% adequate, and 5% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 30% very short, 27% short, 38% adequate, and 5% surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn condition rated 13% very poor, 29% poor, 37% fair, 20% good, and 1% excellent. Corn mature was 96%, near 98% last year, but ahead of 89% for the five-year average. Harvested was 51%, behind 60% last year, but well ahead of 27% average.

Soybeans harvested was 86%, near 89% last year, but well ahead of 57% average.

Winter wheat planted was 95%, near 96% last year and 92% average. Emerged was 51%, behind 68% last year and 69% average.

Sorghum harvested was 72%, behind 80% last year, but well ahead of 39% average.

Sunflowers harvested was 35%, ahead of 25% last year and 19% average.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 44% very poor, 35% poor, 18% fair, 3% good, and 0% excellent.

*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.*

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[https://www.nass.usda.gov/Charts\\_and\\_Maps/Crop\\_Progress\\_&\\_Condition/2021/index.php](https://www.nass.usda.gov/Charts_and_Maps/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2021/index.php)

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