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## SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**SIOUX FALLS, S.D. August 28, 2023** - For the week ending August 27, 2023, there were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 8% very short, 28% short, 57% adequate, and 7% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 9% very short, 35% short, 50% adequate, and 6% surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn condition rated 4% very poor, 10% poor, 32% fair, 42% good, and 12% excellent. Corn dough was 85%, near 82% last year and 84% for the five-year average. Dented was 38%, ahead of 33% last year, and near 36% average. Mature was 1%, near 3% average.

Soybean condition rated 4% very poor, 10% poor, 32% fair, 43% good, and 11% excellent. Soybeans setting pods was 91%, equal to both last year and average. Dropping leaves was 7%, near 5% last year, but behind 12% average.

Spring wheat harvested was 91%, equal to last year, and near 88% average.

Oats harvested was 93%, near 91% last year and 94% average.

Sorghum condition rated 3% very poor, 6% poor, 30% fair, 50% good, and 11% excellent. Sorghum coloring was 66%, well ahead of 32% last year and 38% average. Mature was 2%, behind 9% last year, and near 3% average.

Sunflower condition rated 0% very poor, 1% poor, 45% fair, 49% good, and 5% excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 93%. Ray flowers dry was 13%.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 6% very poor, 11% poor, 29% fair, 42% good, and 12% 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.

Access the National Crop Progress and Condition publication at: <a href="https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/8336h188j">https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/8336h188j</a>

Access Crop Progress and Condition graphical products at: https://www.nass.usda.gov/Charts and Maps/Crop Progress & Condition/2023/index.php

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