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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. September 18, 2023 - For the week ending September 17, 2023, there were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 16% very short, 34% short, 46% adequate, and 4% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 15% very short, 37% short, 43% adequate, and 5% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 6% very poor, 14% poor, 38% fair, 33% good, and 9% excellent. Corn dented was 87%, equal to last year, and near 85% for the five-year average. Mature was 33%, near 34% last year, and behind 38% average. Harvested was 5%, near 2% both last year and average.

Soybean condition rated 6% very poor, 13% poor, 35% fair, 37% good, and 9% excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 58%, ahead of 49% last year, and near 56% average. Harvested was 2%, equal to last year, and near 3% average.

Winter wheat planted was 34%, ahead of 29% last year and 26% average.

Sorghum condition rated 2% very poor, 6% poor, 35% fair, 52% good, and 5% excellent. Sorghum coloring was 88%, behind 93% last year, but near 86% average. Mature was 43%, near 41% last year, and ahead of 29% average.

Sunflower condition rated 0% very poor, 2% poor, 49% fair, 48% good, and 1% excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dry was 86%. Bracts turned yellow was 49%. Bracts turned brown was 7%.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 5% very poor, 16% poor, 37% fair, 35% good, and 7% 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:
<https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/8336h188j>

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