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# News Release

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## **SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION**

SIoux FALLS, SD December 2, 2013 – For the week ending December 1, 2013, dry conditions were recorded across most areas of the state according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Row crop harvest was winding down in most locations. Statewide, there were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 8 short, 86 adequate and 6 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 1 percent very short, 14 short, 81 adequate and 4 surplus.

This is the last weekly Crop Progress and Condition report for the 2013 growing season. We would like to extend our appreciation to the dedicated county FSA and extension staff who supplied the necessary information for these reports. For December through March, we will issue monthly reports. The first monthly report (December) will be issued December 30. Weekly reports will begin April 7th for the 2014 season.

### **Field Crops Report:**

Sorghum harvested was 97 percent complete, behind 100 last year but near 98 average.

Sunflower harvest was 91 percent complete, well behind 100 last year and 96 average.

### **Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:**

Cattle and calf conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 13 fair, 81 good and 5 excellent. Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 14 fair, 80 good and 5 excellent. Stock water supplies were 1 percent very short, 8 short, 84 adequate and 7 surplus. Hay and forage supplies were 0 percent very short, 2 short, 88 adequate and 10 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 publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:*

<http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2013/CropProg-12-02-2013.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&region=HPRCC](http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=SD&region=HPRCC)

*Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:*

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