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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. August 26, 2024 - For the week ending August 25, 2024, there were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 6% very short, 31% short, 60% adequate, and 3% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 6% very short, 24% short, 67% adequate, and 3% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 2% very poor, 5% poor, 20% fair, 60% good, and 13% excellent. Corn dough was 84%, near 83% last year, and ahead of 78% for the five-year average. Dented was 22%, behind 33% last year and 28% average.

Soybean condition rated 2% very poor, 5% poor, 21% fair, 60% good, and 12% excellent. Soybeans setting pods was 87%, near 89% last year and 88% average. Dropping leaves was 1%, near 5% last year, and behind 9% average.

Spring wheat harvested was 83%, near 86% last year, and equal to average.

Oats harvested was 96%, ahead of 91% both last year and average.

Sorghum condition rated 4% very poor, 4% poor, 29% fair, 60% good, and 3% excellent. Sorghum headed was 96%, near 100% last year and 94% average. Coloring was 26%, well behind 63% last year, and behind 38% average.

Sunflower condition rated 1% very poor, 9% poor, 23% fair, 61% good, and 6% excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 95%, ahead of 90% last year.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 3% very poor, 20% poor, 31% fair, 37% good, and 9% 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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