

Kansas Wheat Harvest Report

This is the 18th and final 2012 Kansas Wheat Harvest Report, brought to you by the Kansas City Board of Trade, the Kansas Grain & Feed Association, the Kansas Wheat Commission and Kansas Association of Wheat Growers.

The 2012 wheat harvest is nearly complete, according to the weekly Crop Report issued by Kansas Ag Statistics Monday. Statewide, 96% of the crop was harvested by the end of the weekend, and with temperatures again climbing to triple digits Monday, a good portion of the wheat left in the field will be cut by mid-week.

In Cheyenne County, the Wheeler Coop Mercantile filled its silos with a million bushels of wheat in just 12 days, according to manager Dale Weeks. Farmers reported yields ranging from 30 to 90 bushels per acre, with most farmers averaging between 60 and 70. Test weight ranged from 60 to 64 pounds, with protein averaging 11.

St. Francis area farmer Chuck Downey finished harvest on Sunday. Yields in his area of Cheyenne County were surprisingly good, considering very little rain came in May. Yields ranged between 40 and 75 bushels per acre, with 59 to 63 pound test weights and 12 protein on average. Downey says the Syngenta variety Sy Gold and WestBred's Stout were his top varieties.

Harvest is about finished at the Frontier Ag elevator in Kanorado. Tamara Nagel says the 2012 harvest will be about normal in total bushels received; the elevator has taken in more than one million bushels in all with just a few days of activity remaining. Farmers report yields ranging from 50 to 60 bushels per acre, with 60 pound test weights and protein about 12.

Cornerstone Ag in Colby is finished with harvest, according to Audrey Hines. The company's three locations in Colby took in about 1.6 million bushels in all, about half a normal year. Yields average about 50 bushels per acre, with 60 pound test weights and protein at 11.5.

KAWG Director Roger May is finishing his last field of the 2012 harvest. Yields in his area of Decatur County range from 40 to 70 bushels per acre and test weight is above 60 pounds per bushel. The varieties Tam 111 and Sy Gold have been his best performers.

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