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Report: 11 percent of Ks Wheat Ripe

(AP) - A new report estimates that just 11 percent of the Kansas winter wheat is now ripe, with harvest in much of southern Kansas just days away.

The Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service reported Monday that last year by this late in the season, 97 percent of the crop had ripened. The average for this time of year is 44 percent.

The agency also rated wheat condition as 45 percent poor to very poor. Twenty-seven percent was reported in fair condition while 24 percent was in good and 4 percent in excellent shape.

The weekly snapshot of Kansas agriculture also showed that 98 percent of the corn crop had emerged. Its condition was rated as 8 percent poor to very poor, 31 percent fair, 54 percent good and 7 percent excellent.

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