Crop Progress

As reported by NASS on May 27, 2014

CORN PLANTING WRAPPING UP; COTTON AND SOYBEAN PLANTING ACTIVE

Dry, windy weather last week enabled producers to nearly finish planting corn and make substantial progress on cotton and soybean planting. While some cool nights hampered crop development, overall crop condition flourished. Dry weather conditions allowed producers to make their first cuttings of hay. The wheat crop has begun to turn color and is in mostly good to excellent condition. Pastures are also in good to excellent condition, but are starting to need rain. Topsoil moisture levels were rated 10 percent short, 77 percent adequate and 13 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture levels were rated 7 percent short, 83 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. There were 6.0 days suitable for field work last week.

Percent Planted					
		May 25, 2014	May 18, 2014	May 25, 2013	5 Year Average
Corn	TN	97%	93%	86%	92%
	US	88%	73%	84%	88%
Soybeans	TN	39%	23%	19%	34%
	US	59%	33%	41%	56%
Cotton	TN	76%	48%	34%	60%
	US	62%	46%	56%	64%

Crop Condition % May 25, 2014						
		Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	TN	0%	2%	16%	60%	22%
	US	22%	22%	26%	24%	6%
Pasture	TN	1%	6%	25%	61%	7%
	US	8%	14%	34%	38%	6%

Crop Progress					
		May 25, 2014	May 18, 2014	May 25, 2013	5 Year Average
Winter Wheat- Headed	TN	97%	90%	95%	98%
	US	70%	57%	58%	69%
Corn Emerged	TN	87%	76%	71%	82%
	US	60%	34%	49%	64%
Soybeans Emerged	TN	25%	9%	12%	27%
	US	21%	10%	7%	16%

County Agent Comments

Cool nights last week slowed progress for all crops with temps in the mid-40's. Cotton planting has progressed well and soybean planting continues at a fairly rapid place. Wheat is beginning to show signs of coloration. Field surfaces dry but wet and muddy underneath in some cases. **Tim Campbell, Dyer County**

Most Lauderdale County producers finally got a good week to finish corn planting. Cotton and soybean planting is well underway. Pastures are in good condition, along with cattle. Vegetable producers have tomatoes planted with no major issues. **J.C. Dupree, Lauderdale County**

Warm weather helped row crop progress. There are some acres of winter kill on Bermuda grass. Some fields are 100% lost. **Brian White, Hardin County**

Wheat crop and pastures are in excellent shape. The adequate moisture and warm soil temperatures are getting crops off to a great start. There is some concern as to the effectiveness of pre-herbicides sustaining their residual control. **Walter Battle, Haywood County**

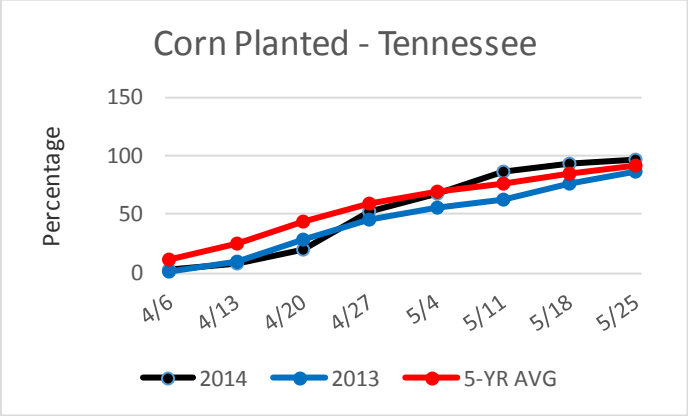
Been a very windy week, making spraying difficult. Cotton planting is starting to wrap up. Wheat is changing color. **Jake Mallard, Madison County**

Sunshine and windy conditions have helped to dry soil out enough that planters got back into action. Those same winds hampered herbicide spraying with limited acres covered. **Jeff Lannom, Weakley County**

Rain last weekend kept producers out of the field this week. Water is still standing in some parts of fields. Forage producers putting a lot of hay on the ground. **Kevin Rose, Giles County**

Last week was good for hay-making and our wheat is looking better every day. Because of the dry weather we have very little disease showing up. Most grass hay is yielding better than we had expected. **Larry Moorehead, Moore County**

Corn is being side dressed and hay is being cut. There are reports that spring hay production is less than usual. Some folks are estimating hay production to be in the 50-75% range of expected. Tobacco setting is about finished. **A. Ruth Correll, Wilson County**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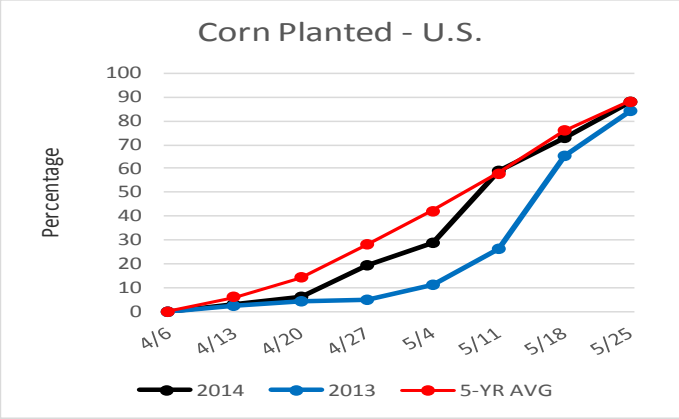
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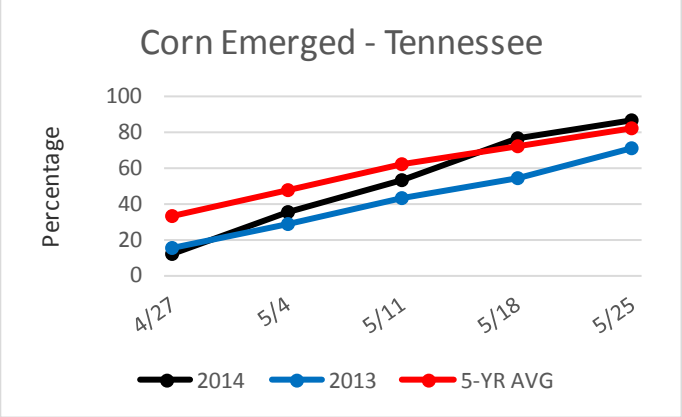
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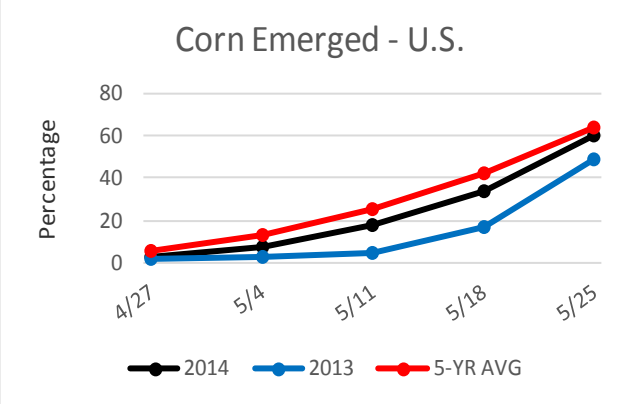
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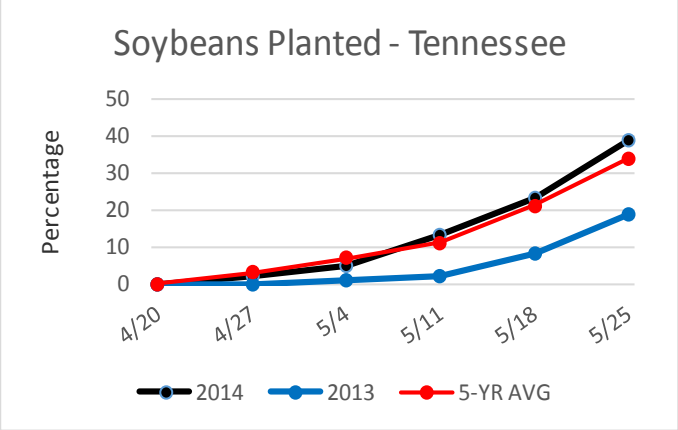
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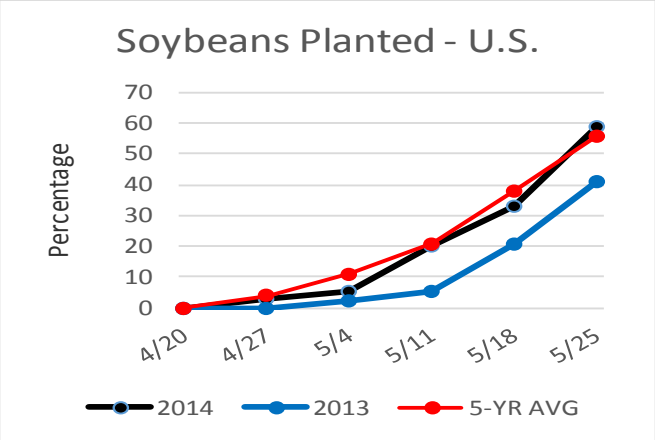
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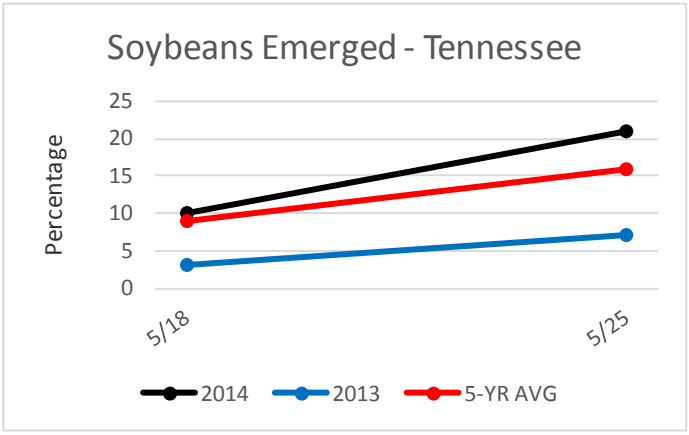
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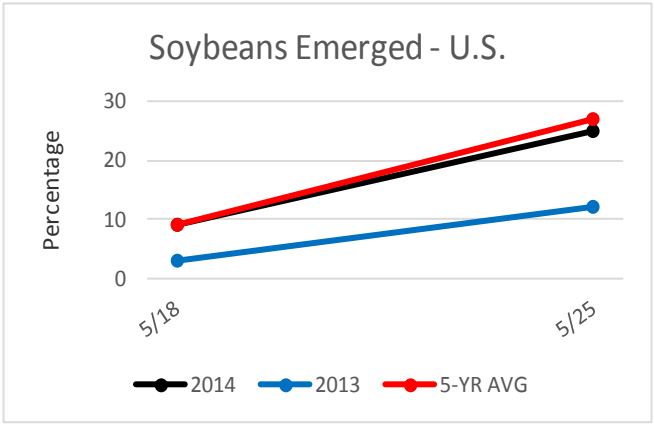
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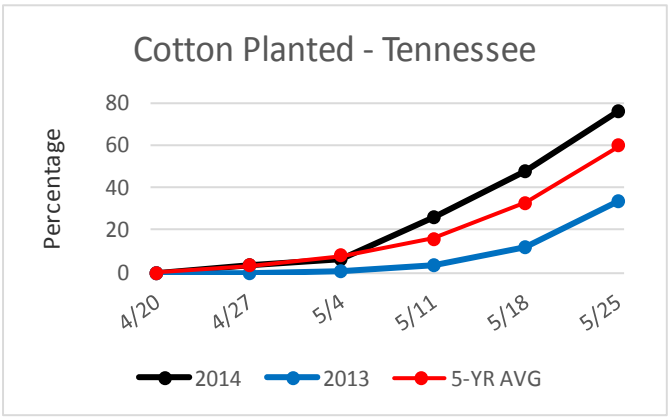
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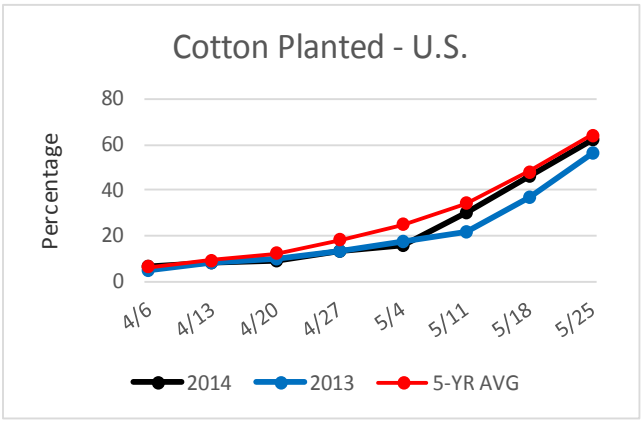
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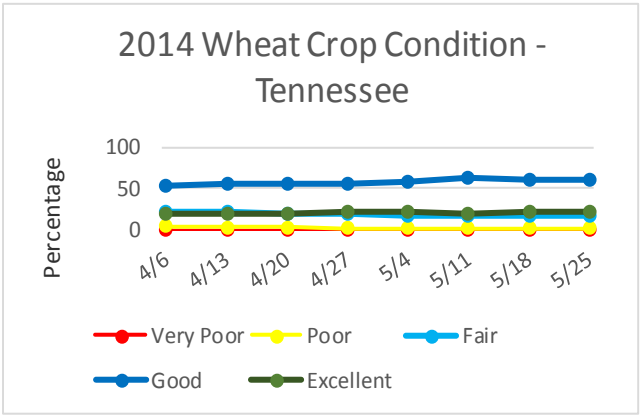
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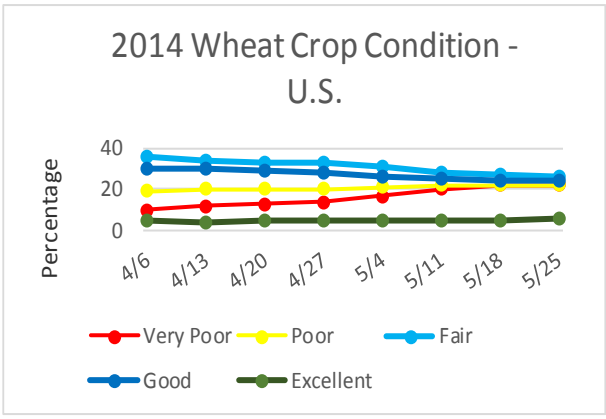
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