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Quality and Yield Mixed Across Kansas Wheat Harvest

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) - Kansas farmers are finding wide variations in quality and yield after nearly a week of the winter wheat harvest.

The latest daily bulletin put out Wednesday by industry groups reported the harvest 30 percent complete in Pratt County. The elevator in Iuka (eye-U'-kuh) reports good yields in that area, with most fields averaging between 40 and 45 bushels per acre.

Farmers around Hoisington in Barton County have been cutting for four days, and the crop in that area is not doing as well as expected. But farther east around Marion, where the harvest is about 25 percent complete, the local elevator reports crop quality is good.

Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service reported this week that the harvest is the earliest in the state since it started collecting data in 1952.

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