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## Ukraine

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### Grain and Oilseed Crops Look Good Near Poltava

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**Report Highlights:**

In Ukraine's Poltava region, FAS officials visited corn, oilseed, and wheat plots, and based on observations and conversations with local agronomists, they appear to be progressing well. The fields in this part of the country seem to have received enough rainfall to continue healthy growth. Some fields looked like they were planted later in the season, so the plant development stages were lagging behind, but farmers did not express undue concern about this later start to the growing season.

**General Information:**

Some pictures taken during field travel by the Foreign Agricultural Service team in Ukraine conducted June 10-11, 2013 between Kyiv and Poltava are shown below. Quite a few fields of corn and sunflower fields were observed to be in good and excellent condition. The plants looked healthy and were developing well enough considering the good rainfall in this part of the country.

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However, there were some corn fields that looked like they were planted later, with plants thus shorter. These fields also have shown a greater number of weeds. The topsoil in such fields also looked drier, most probably due to the greater exposure to the summer sun and in general warm weather conditions.

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Soybeans also looked green and have been showing the very first stages of flowering.

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Some wheat fields observed in the region looked just fine.

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