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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER The weather was dry in Nebraska during the past week. Alternate warm and cool days resulted in weekly temperatures that averaged near normal.

CROPS Weather conditions remained generally favorable for harvesting operations. A few farmers were slowed by scattered intermittent showers. Top soil and subsoil moisture remained less than adequate in most areas except the northwest and southwest.

Farmers are getting under way harvesting corn for grain with about 15 percent of the acreage out of the field. This compares to a normal of 8 percent harvested. The northeast has about 10 percent of the acreage harvested while the central and south central have about 15 percent out and the east central and southeast almost 20 percent. Moisture content of the grain harvested is averaging about 22 percent.

Sorghum harvest is 40 percent complete, much ahead of normal which is 18 percent. The warm, dry weather has been quite beneficial in drying this crop, and average moisture content of grain at this time is 15 percent. Farmers in some areas are experiencing harvesting problems with downed and tangled stalks.

Soybean combining has reached 45 percent complete, slightly ahead of 42 percent normally harvested. The beans have dried down in most areas, and the over-all average moisture content is 12 percent. Dry bean harvesting is nearing completion in western areas with precipitation causing some problems. Potato harvest is continuing and sugar beet pulling is under way.

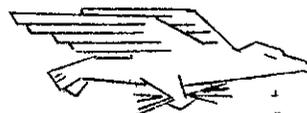
Winter wheat seeding is generally completed with good stands in western areas and some very uneven stands in eastern areas. The condition of the crop ranges from good to excellent in the west and southwest to fair to poor in eastern areas. Eastern fields planted in dry soils will need a good rain to promote germination and emergence.

LIVESTOCK Livestock conditions are generally good, but some supplemental feeding of forages is taking place where pasture feeds have been depleted. A few farmers have started pasturing stalk fields.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING 10/10/71

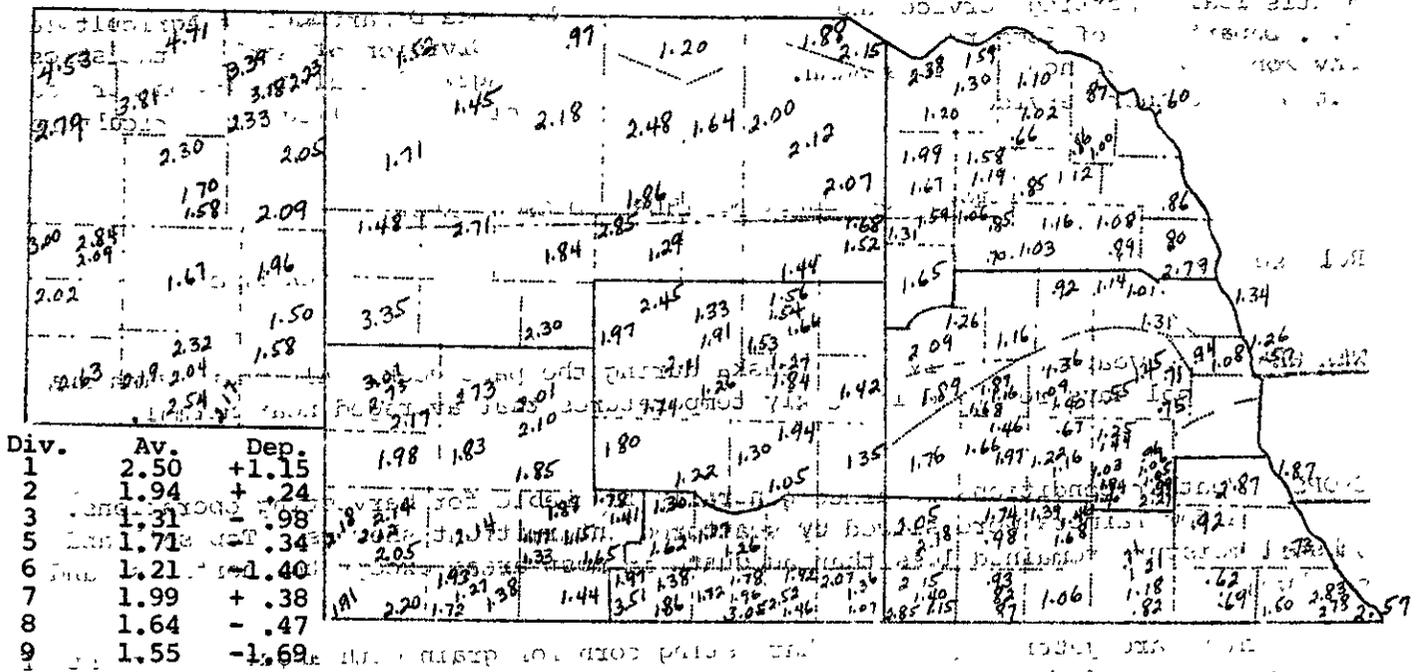
<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	0	Burwell	0	Chadron	T
Lincoln	.02	North Platte	0	Imperial	0
Norfolk	0	Valentine	T	Scottsbluff	0
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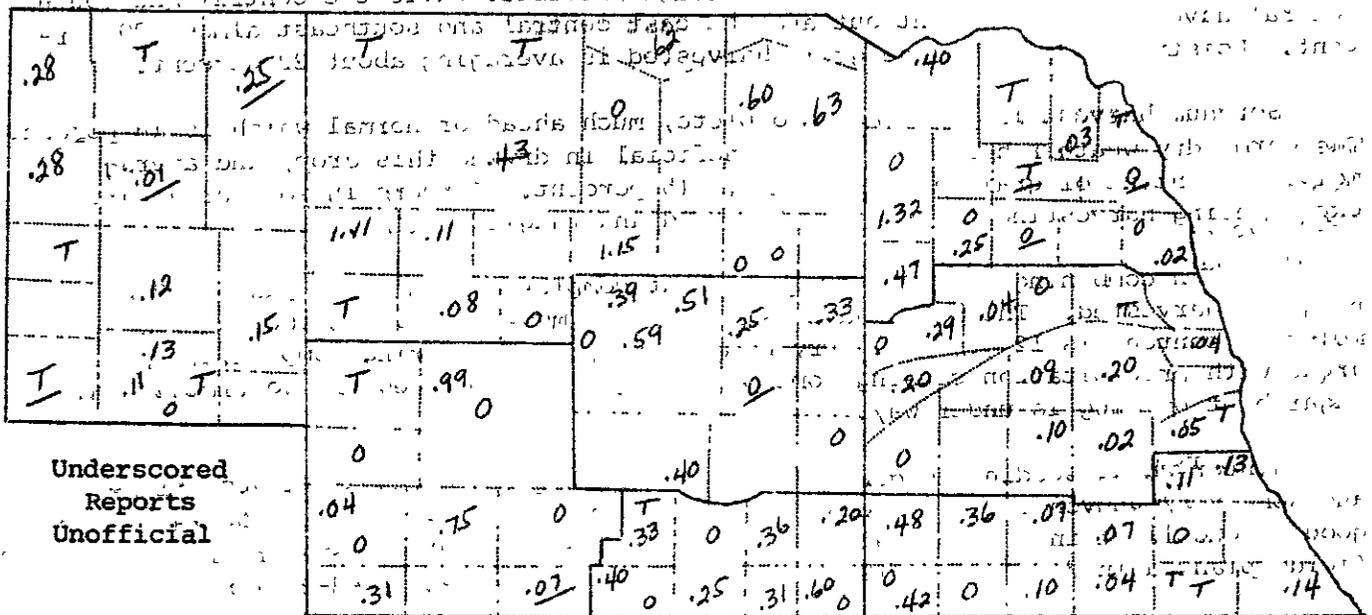


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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1971



PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 8, 1971



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Daytime highs, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Nighttime lows, 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., CST)

		October													
		4th		5th		6th		7th		8th		9th		10th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	69	45	72	41	76	39	68	39	58	26	68	39	81	37
	Scottsbluff	71	44	73	38	77	40	78	38	60	27	73	35	84	37
	Sidney	--	40	71	36	79	39	76	38	60	21	66	38	83	35
NC	Burwell	75	44	73	37	76	42	80	35	57	37	58	31	87	--
	Valentine	75	46	73	41	78	43	75	34	55	30	61	34	85	36
NE	Norfolk	74	54	73	44	77	42	77	42	59	44	55	32	83	41
	Sioux City	75	52	77	43	77	40	77	42	62	46	56	31	83	39
CEN	Grand Island	76	48	79	42	80	49	82	49	65	43	60	34	86	45
EC	Lincoln	76	55	80	49	81	47	78	47	64	45	59	40	83	46
	Omaha	73	51	77	44	77	45	74	41	62	43	59	34	80	43
SW	Imperial	75	44	75	41	82	40	81	40	64	33	64	35	86	40
	North Platte	73	39	88	37	78	40	80	38	63	32	63	29	84	40