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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 1/24/72

WEATHER Temperatures and humidities were high during the week, but there was little precipitation until the week end when three to seven inches of snow fell in the northeast and drizzle or light rain fell elsewhere. Temperatures were quite variable but reached the 50s and 60s early in the week and the 40s and 50s again during the latter part of the week. A new mass of cold air entered the east on Sunday and brought readings in the 20s, but the west still had temperatures in the 40s and 50s. Weekly temperature averages ranged from five to seven degrees above normal in the east to as much as 15 degrees above normal in the southern portion of the Panhandle.

CROPS Farmers maintained normal farm activity during the week with most of the time spent on livestock care. Moving hay and feed supplies plus keeping water available required continued effort.

About 90 percent of the reporters indicated average or better feed grain supplies. These reporters also indicated 85 percent of the hay and forage feed supplies are average or better. Weather conditions have permitted continued grazing of stalk fields, thus conserving hay and forage feed supplies.

There were strong winds in some western areas causing minor soil erosion on lighter soils. Most erosion problems occurred where ground cover was minimal or absent.

LIVESTOCK Livestock conditions were variable with fluctuating temperatures causing some problems. There were a few reports of respiratory sickness and disease in both cattle and hogs, but losses have not been abnormal. Calving, lambing and farrowing operations are under way in many areas and more care is required, especially during the extremely cold weather.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING 1/23/72

East	Central	West
Grand Island .05	Burwell .02	Chadron .03
Lincoln .08	North Platte T	Imperial 0
Norfolk .40	Valentine .38	Scottsbluff .09
Omaha .33		Sidney T
Sioux City .31		

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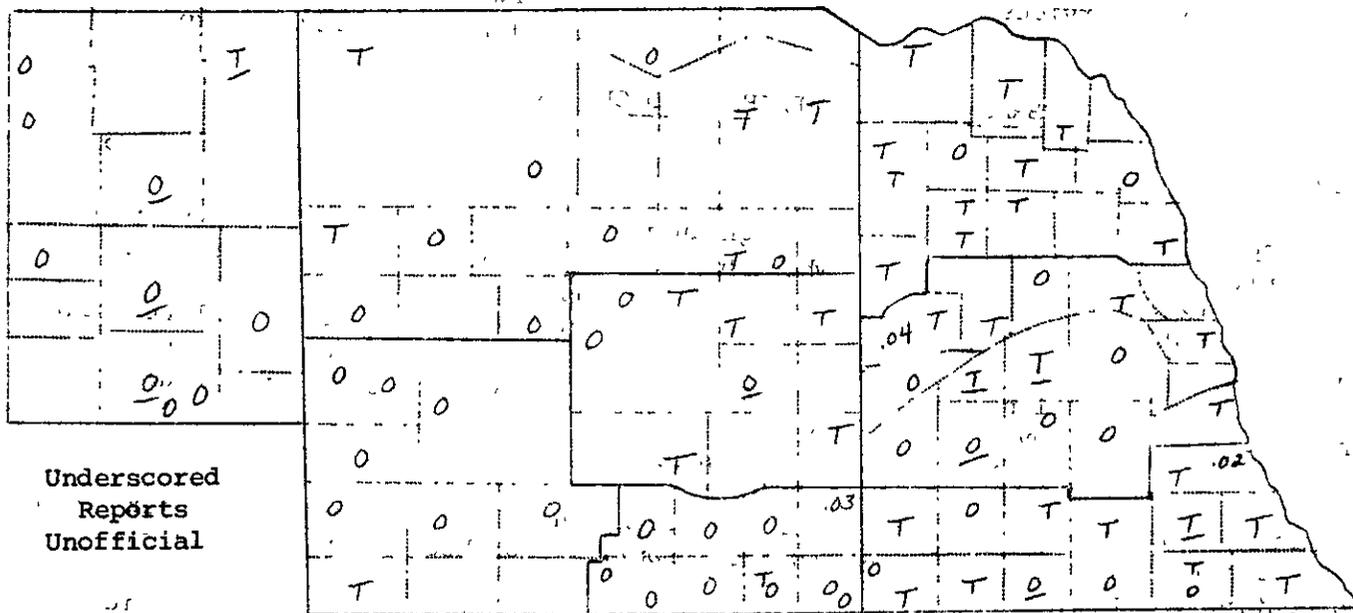


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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 21st, 1972



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)

		January 17th		18th		19th		20th		21st		22nd		23rd	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	56	27	39	14	30	15	19	7	57	35	39	26	48	7
	Scottsbluff	58	43	50	30	54	28	58	23	57	25	38	33	52	31
	Sidney	58	38	51	25	54	31	54	23	53	24	43	29	51	30
NC	Burwell	61	29	48	19	33	14	19	8	36	28	46	15	30	--
	Valentine	60	31	41	14	26	10	18	7	59	27	46	14	34	7
NE	Norfolk	53	37	41	14	24	21	22	7	30	29	40	14	21	14
	Sioux City	48	32	40	13	23	20	23	8	29	29	32	11	14	14
CEN	Grand Island	62	29	48	23	30	27	30	13	31	26	46	20	28	26
EC	Lincoln	50	40	50	21	30	28	29	12	30	30	49	25	25	24
	Omaha	46	38	47	15	27	22	25	9	29	27	45	17	21	16
SW	Imperial	63	21	56	24	55	29	42	24	43	28	44	33	46	25
	North Platte	61	21	47	26	45	23	30	17	42	26	41	22	40	26