

# NEBRASKA WEATHER & CROPS

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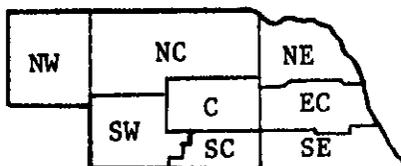
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## WEATHER

Above normal temperatures occurred several days over the first portion of the period. However, these were offset by below normal temperatures the last half resulting in averages slightly below normal. Little or no precipitation occurred.

## GENERAL

Harvesting of the State's row crops showed excellent progress last week as dry weather aided fieldwork activities. Fall crop yields were generally rating from good to excellent in most areas. Lack of moisture during the past few weeks in most southwestern and western portions of the State has limited development of the winter wheat crop and the fall pasture outlook.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated adequate in only 30% of the counties and short in the remaining 70%. Subsoil moisture rated adequate in 52% of the counties and short in 48%. A year ago, both topsoil and subsoil moisture supplies rated adequate in nearly 85% of the counties.

## CROPS

Corn harvest was in full swing with 30% harvested. This was behind last year when 35% was picked and the normal of 30%. Yields have been running from good to excellent in most localities.

Harvesting of grain sorghum was 45% complete, equal to last year and the normal harvest rate. Harvesting was most active in the south central counties.

Soybeans were just over 60% harvested, ahead of last year's 40% and normal of 55%. Combining was active in all areas of the State.

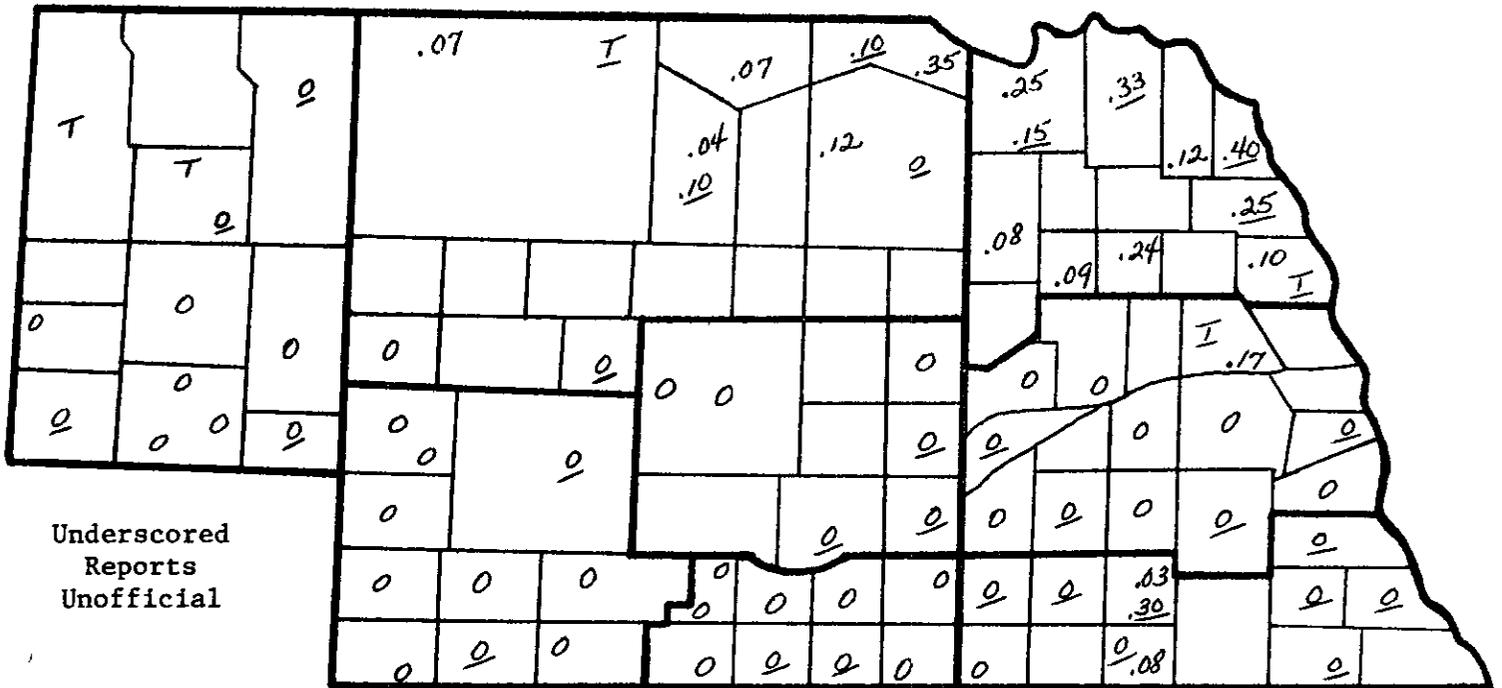
Winter wheat rated in fair to good condition in over 90% of the counties. Moisture will be needed to promote good fall growth in most areas.

Fall potato harvesting was nearing completion at the week's end.

## LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range feed supplies were rated adequate in 65% of the counties. Some cattle movement took place due to strong prices.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1978



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TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 P.M. SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1978

Station	Temperature			Precipitation	
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	
	Max	Min			Total Inches <u>1/</u>
NW Chadron	85	20	49	--	.02
Scottsbluff	82	26	53	+1	T
Sidney	76	27	52	--	0
NC Burwell	73	25	49	--	T
Valentine	79	21	49	-3	.05
NE Norfolk	77	35	52	-3	.18
Sioux City	75	35	52	-3	.37
CEN Grand Island	81	32	53	-3	0
EC Lincoln	79	35	54	-3	.14
Omaha	74	38	53	-4	.15
SW Imperial	79	26	54	--	0
North Platte	77	24	49	-4	0

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.

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