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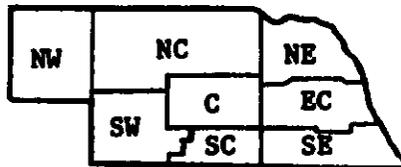
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### WEATHER

It was a mild week with good drying conditions. Temperatures averaged four to seven degrees above normal and rainfall was scarce. Only the extreme southeast corner received significant amounts of a half to nearly an inch of precipitation.

### GENERAL

Row crop harvest activities were in full swing this week as producers took advantage of the drying conditions. Soybean harvest was nearing completion in the southern third of the state and exceeded three-fourths harvested in most other areas. Sorghum harvest pushed past one-third complete and corn harvest neared one-third combined. Seasonal progress of the corn and sorghum harvests continued to run 2½ to 3 weeks behind normal with some grain needing some additional drying weather to reduce moisture levels. The number of days considered suitable for fieldwork during the week was 6.4.

Topsoil moisture supplies rated 7% short, 83% adequate and 10% surplus. Subsoil supplies were 1% short, 92% adequate and 7% surplus. A year ago, topsoil moisture rated 39% short, 60% adequate and 1% surplus. Subsoil supplies were 30% short and 70% adequate.

### CROPS

Corn harvest reached 30% complete compared to 50% previous year and 70% normal. Grain moisture levels, although reduced, remained high with mechanical drying necessary for safe storage. Harvesting was nearly half completed in the south central district. Soils in the northeast remained high in moisture limiting harvest progress and making access to fields difficult.

Soybean harvest was 85% complete compared to 90% harvested last year and 93% normal. The snowstorm in the northeast on October 19 has caused some field losses and very difficult harvesting.

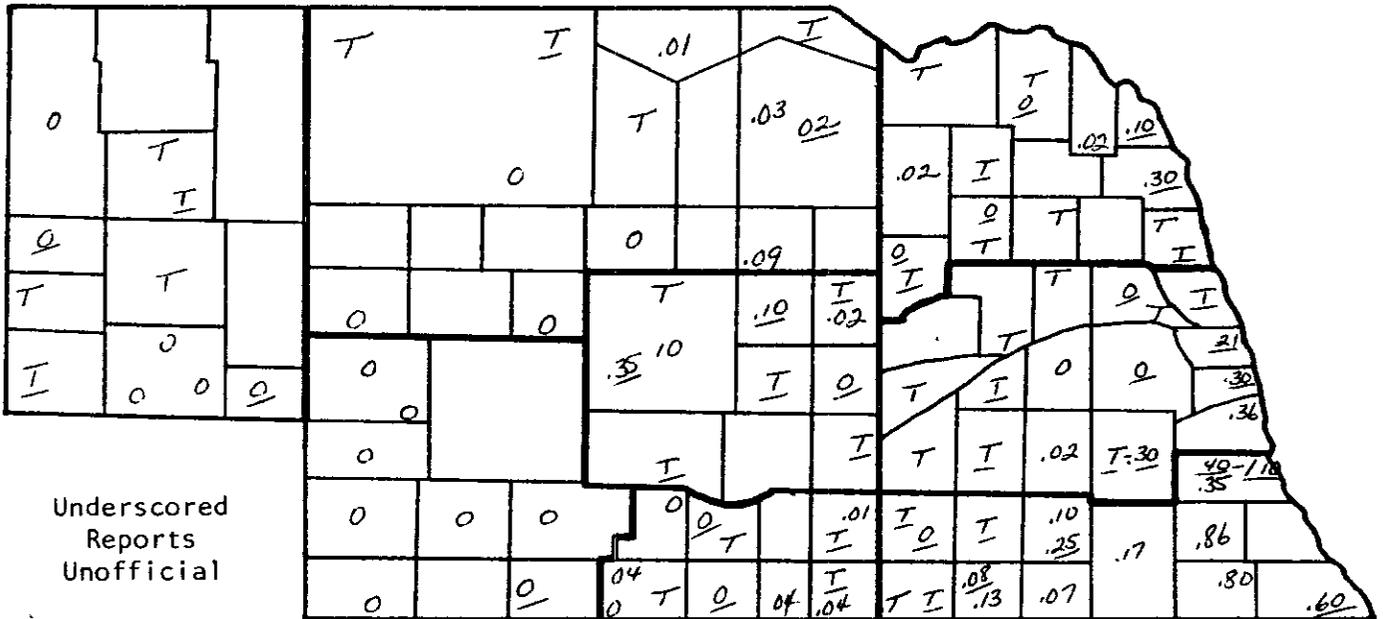
Sorghum was 35% combined compared to 60% last year and 80% normal. Harvest in the southeast was most advanced reaching nearly 40%.

Wheat condition rated 16% fair, 70% good and 14% excellent. The crop has shown good growth this fall. Some wheat was being grazed in the southeast.

### LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range feed supplies remained adequate with conditions for winter pasture the best in a number of years. Stalks were being utilized as they became available. Feedlot operators in the northeast appreciated the mild, dry conditions after a number of weeks of wet weather.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1982



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1982

Station	Temperature				Precipitation
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1/
	Max	Min			
NW Chadron	76	27	50	--	0
Scottsbluff	75	27	50	+5	T
Sidney	73	24	49	--	0
NC Ord	70	30	51	--	0
Valentine	73	24	49	+5	T
NE Norfolk	72	35	53	+6	.01
Sioux City	70	38	54	+7	0
CEN Grand Island	76	34	54	+6	T
EC Lincoln	72	37	55	+6	.07
Omaha	69	39	55	+6	.22
SW Imperial	68	27	50	--	0
North Platte	71	26	49	+4	T

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.

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