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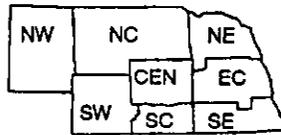
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## WEATHER

The week began extremely warm and then plunged into extreme cold. Temperatures averaged twenty to thirty degrees below normals. Precipitation occurred throughout the week in the form of rain and snow. Amounts averaged around .70 inch in the northwest to around 2.00 inches in the east central.

## GENERAL

Last week's snowstorm, starting at midweek, halted all types of fieldwork and prompted winter livestock care, according to the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. Fall tillage activities and harvest of corn and sugar beets moved near completion through midweek. With the halt of fieldwork, farmers spent time preparing machinery for winter storage and doing delayed odd jobs around the farm. Livestock producers were in the midst of winter livestock care. Some elevator operators were concerned about possible affects of the wet snow on temporary piles of grain waiting for storage space or shipping.

## CROPS

Harvest of corn for grain made limited progress last week and by week's end 98% had been combined.

## CROPS (Cont.)

Concern has been expressed about those unharvested fields that have had earlier damage from corn borers. The snow and high winds could pose a problem for those susceptible fields.

Wheat condition was rated at 8% very poor, 11% poor, 41% fair, and 40% good. Dry weather continued to hinder germination and therefore remained well behind last year and the five-year average. Snow received last week will help some established fields while ice could hurt newly germinated stands. A better understanding of the benefit or deterrent to the crop will be seen as the ice and snow melt away. Additional fall moisture will be needed to replenish drier soils.

## LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range condition was rated at 66% of normal. After the midweek storm began, cattle on stalks and still on pastures were given supplemental feed where ice covered the ground beneath the snow. Many producers also were required to haul water or hook up water heaters to provide water for livestock. Calves continued to be weaned with some moving to backgrounding lots.

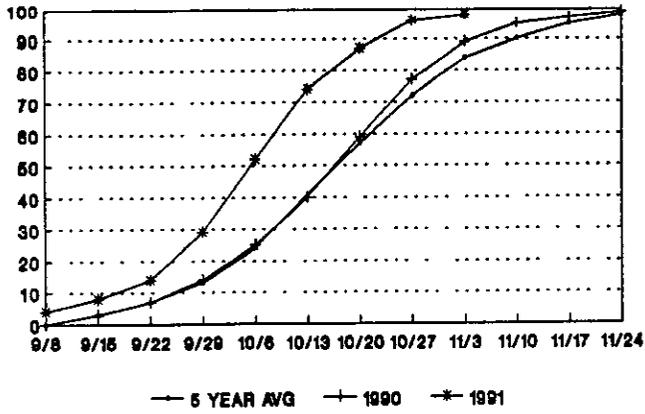
FIELD WORK PROGRESS AS OF NOVEMBER 3, 1991	AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICTS								STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	AVER- AGE
	NW	NC	NE	C	EC	SW	SC	SE				
% corn harvested	87	95	96	100	99	100	100	100	98	96	89	84
% wheat emerged	100	100	100	100	86	99	90	79	94	93	100	100
DAYS SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 1991												
Days suitable	40	20	40	32	41	25	46	39	36	69	70	
Topsoil moisture - Short	50	60	100	86	78	43	83	89	73	90	89	
(Percent) - Adequate	42	40	0	14	22	57	17	11	25	10	11	
- Surplus	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	
Subsoil moisture - Short	58	60	100	100	100	57	100	100	84	88	85	
(Percent) - Adequate	42	40	0	0	0	43	0	0	16	12	15	
- Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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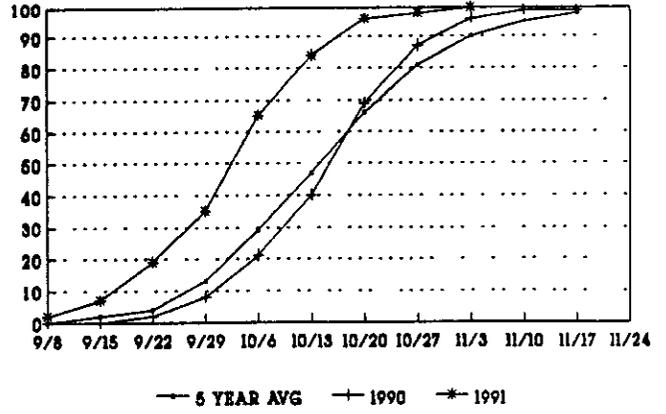
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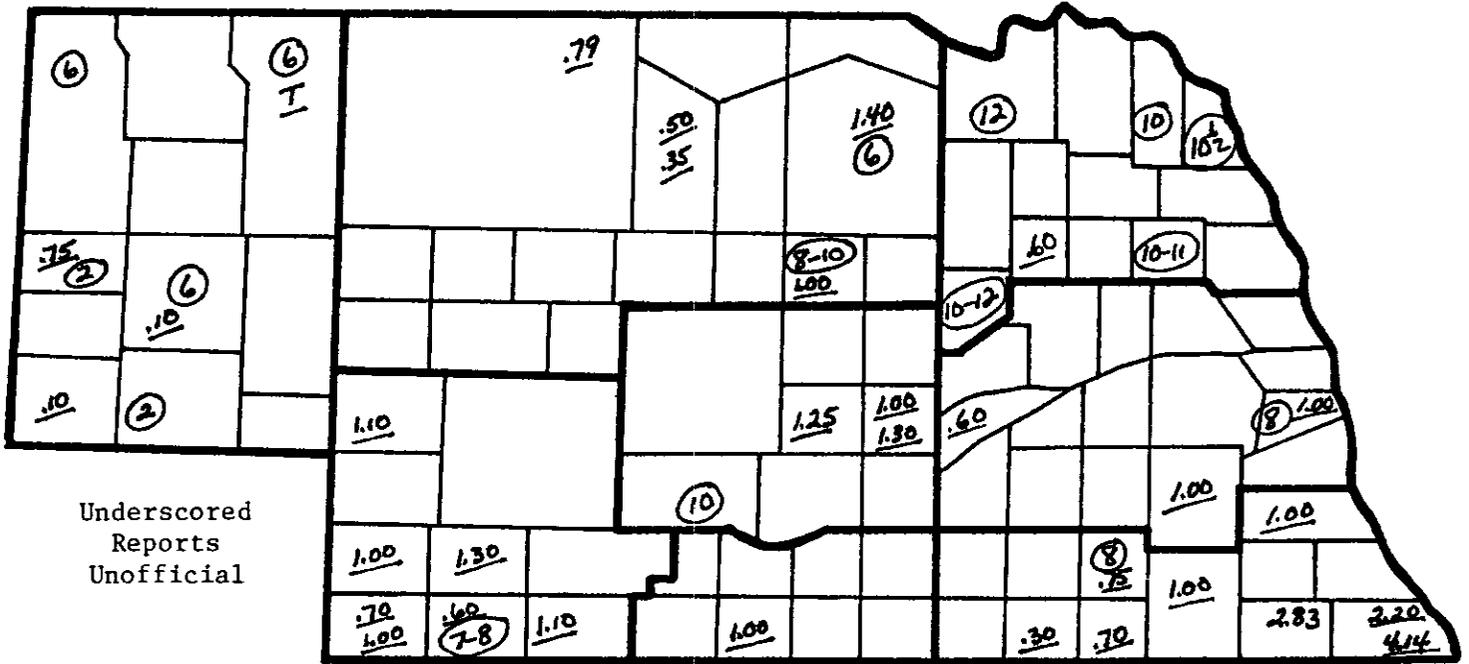
**NEBRASKA -- SORGHUM HARVESTED**



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**PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1991**



Due to the adverse weather, official precipitation amounts are not available this week. Circled numbers indicate amounts of snowfall received at various locations.

**TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1991**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches <sup>1/</sup>
	Max	Min			
NW Chadron	30	-9	11	---	.85
Scottsbluff	36	-6	13	-30	.68
Sidney	35	-2	13	---	---
NC Valentine	27	-2	12	-30	.86
NE Norfolk	65	5	21	-23	1.35
Sioux City	65	0	25	-20	1.17
CEN Grand Island	62	2	21	-25	1.64
Ord	56	2	19	---	1.35
EC Lincoln	71	7	26	-21	1.82
Omaha	69	7	26	-20	2.15
SW Imperial	32	-2	16	---	---
North Platte	58	-6	18	-25	1.69

<sup>1/</sup> Precipitation totals not included in map above.