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**GENERAL:** Last week's warm, dry weather conditions allowed excellent harvest progress, according to the USDA's Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. Some corn producers continued to wait for additional field dry down before completing harvest. Other producer activities included fencing stalk fields, moving cattle to stalk fields, and fall field work.

This release is based on reports and data from county extension educators, FSA county directors, NOAA, and the High Plains Climate Center.

**WEATHER:** Temperatures last week averaged six to eleven degrees above normals across the State. Precipitation was mostly limited to scattered trace amounts in the southeastern area.

**CROPS: Corn** harvest progressed to 83% complete, a pace now matching the five-year average. This compares with 95% last year and 83 average.

**Soybean** harvest progressed to 98% combined, compared to 99 last year and 97 average.

**Sorghum** harvest accelerated last week with 91% cut to date, compared to 98 last year and 84 average.

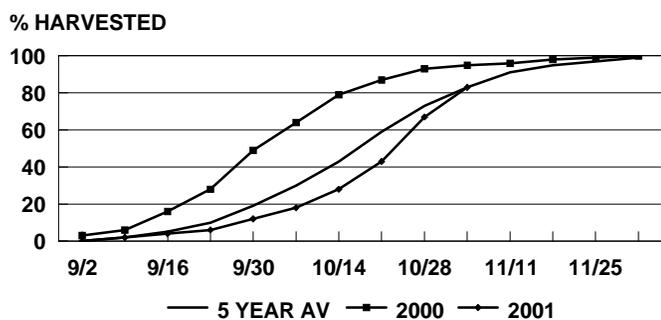
**Wheat** condition rated 1% very poor, 2 poor, 24 fair, 65 good, and 8 excellent. Current condition is better than a year ago, when only 55% of the crop was in good or excellent condition.

## PROGRESS AND CONDITIONS, NEBRASKA, AS OF NOVEMBER 4, 2001

ITEM	AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICTS								STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
	NW	NC	NE	C	EC	SW	SC	SE				
% Corn Harvested	58	67	83	87	90	74	85	86	83	67	95	83
% Soybeans Harvested	n/a	99	99	99	98	100	99	97	98	94	99	97
% Sorghum Harvested	n/a	63	98	86	91	80	88	92	91	72	98	84
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	7.0	7.0	6.8	6.9	7.0	7.0	6.8	6.4	6.9	6.6	3.6	
Topsoil Moisture - % Very short	10	23	3	5	31	9	12	5	13	7	16	
- % Short	40	28	34	44	40	38	22	28	35	32	32	
- % Adequate	50	49	63	51	29	53	66	67	52	60	47	
- % Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	
Subsoil Moisture - % Very Short	9	21	5	8	12	3	5	0	10	11	53	
- % Short	37	50	40	44	42	26	26	15	37	35	32	
- % Adequate	54	29	55	48	46	71	69	85	53	54	14	
- % Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	

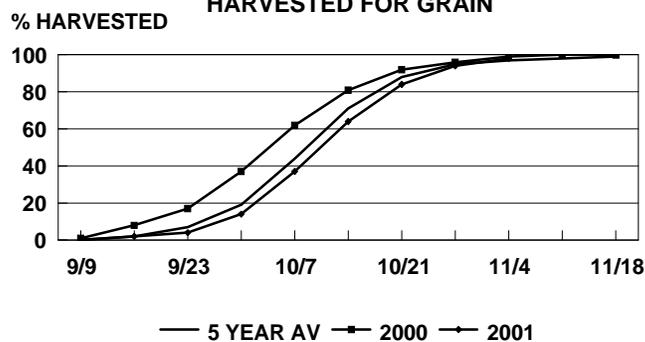
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### CORN HARVESTED FOR GRAIN



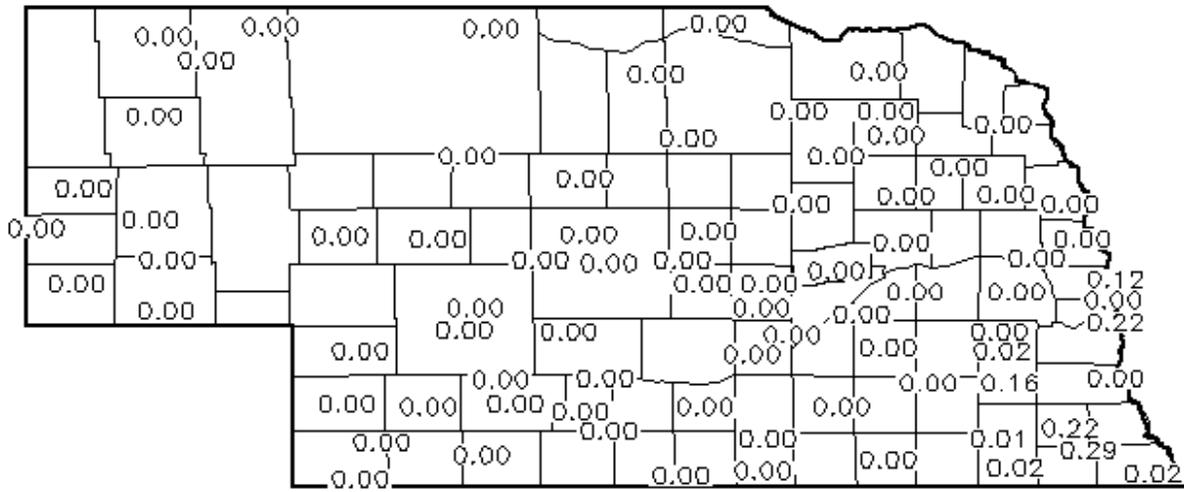
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### SOYBEANS HARVESTED FOR GRAIN



PROGRESS AS OF SUNDAY

**PRECIPITATION IN INCHES FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 4, 2001<sup>1</sup>**



Item	Precipitation, Nebraska, April 1 - November 4, 2001 <sup>1</sup>							
	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.00	.00	.00	.00	.03	.00	.00	.08
Total since April 1	14.14	20.46	27.42	19.86	23.32	17.06	22.49	32.40
Normal since April 1	13.97	18.22	21.27	19.85	23.46	16.75	19.92	24.64
Total as % of normal	100%	112%	129%	100%	99%	101%	113%	131%

<sup>1</sup> Source: High Plains Climate Center preliminary data as of 8:00 a.m. Sunday.

**TEMPERATURE DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2001**

Station	Temperature				
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	
	Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	79	20	51	---
	Scottsbluff	78	31	51	+8
	Sidney	83	28	51	---
NC	Valentine	85	27	52	+10
NE	Norfolk	76	32	51	+7
	Sioux City	75	30	54	+9
CEN	Grand Island	75	37	56	+11
	Ord	82	26	52	---
EC	Lincoln	75	35	56	+9
	Omaha	73	36	57	+10
SW	Imperial	85	32	52	---
	North Platte	86	28	49	+6

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