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GENERAL: With temperatures well above normal and virtually no precipitation harvest moved quickly toward completion, according to the USDA's Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. While the dry conditions have benefitted fall harvest and fieldwork, it has caused some concern about soil moisture supplies needed for crops next year. Other producer activities included fall fieldwork and moving cattle to stalk fields.

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 above normals, ranging from nine degrees above normal in the Panhandle to nineteen degrees above normal in the east. Precipitation was virtually nonexistent with only a few scattered trace amounts reported in the southern half of the State.

CROPS: Corn harvest was rapidly coming to a close with 98% complete, a pace ahead of the average and equal to last year.

Wheat condition rated 1% very poor, 4 poor, 25 fair, 61 good, and 9 excellent.

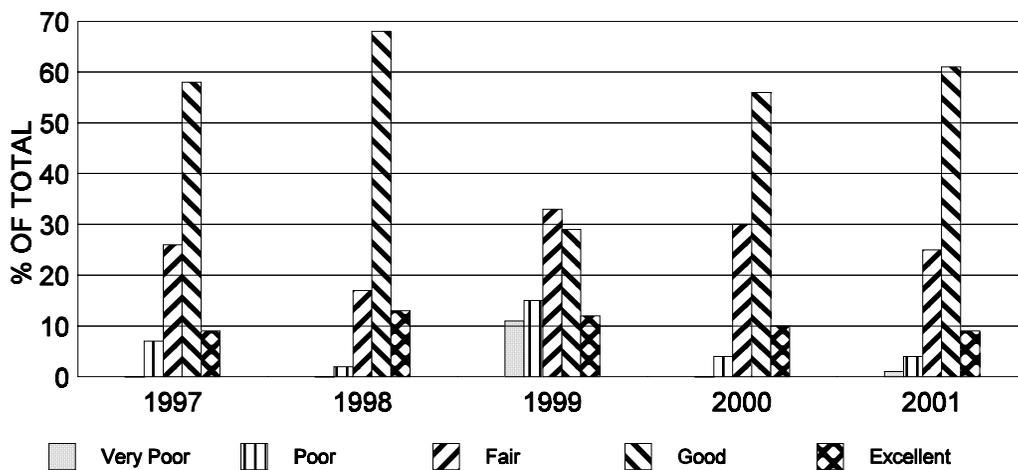
PROGRESS AND CONDITIONS, NEBRASKA, AS OF NOVEMBER 18, 2001

ITEM	AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICTS								STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
	NW	NC	NE	C	EC	SW	SC	SE				
% Corn Harvested	92	99	99	98	99	97	99	99	98	94	98	95
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.8	7.0	7.0	6.9	0.9	
Topsoil Moisture - % Very short	13	53	34	19	36	6	10	5	26	25	9	
- % Short	57	29	49	55	38	38	34	45	43	40	23	
- % Adequate	30	18	17	26	26	56	56	50	31	35	64	
- % Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
Subsoil Moisture - % Very Short	11	50	9	8	35	8	12	6	21	23	37	
- % Short	47	19	41	52	37	27	26	33	35	37	38	
- % Adequate	42	31	50	40	28	65	62	61	44	40	24	
- % Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	

n/a = not available.

WHEAT CONDITION

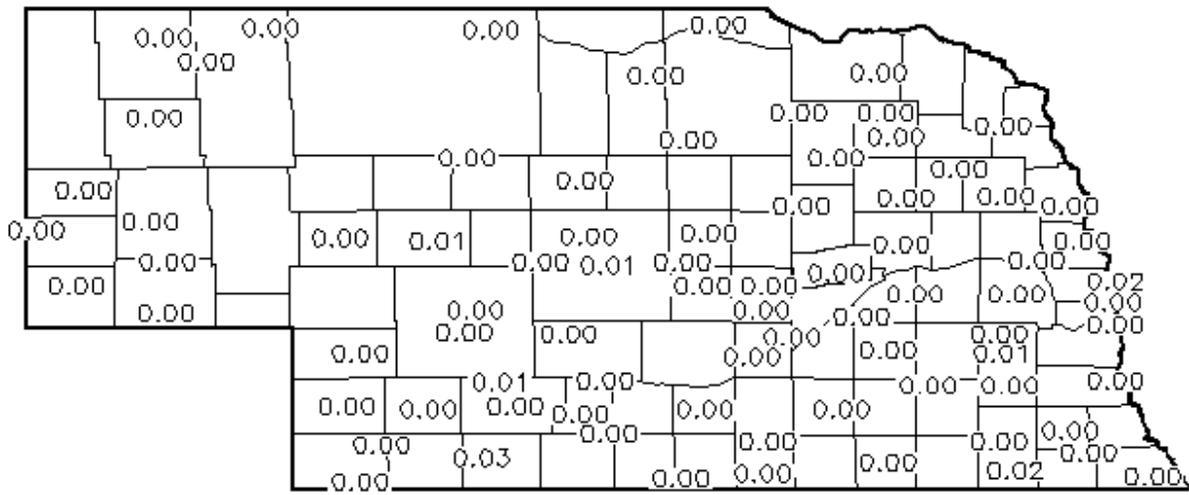
As Of November 18



Last Weekly Weather & Crops

This is the last Weekly Weather and Crops report for the growing season. A special thank you to the dedicated County Extension Educators and FSA County Directors who supplied the necessary information for these reports. For December through March, we will issue monthly reports. Weekly reports will begin April 8th for the 2002 season.

PRECIPITATION IN INCHES FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 18, 2001¹



Item	Precipitation, Nebraska, April 1 - November 18 2001 ¹							
	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
Total since April 1	14.13	20.38	27.35	19.92	23.42	17.27	23.14	32.30
Normal since April 1	14.26	18.63	21.77	20.31	24.07	17.10	20.34	25.29
Total as % of normal	99%	109%	126%	98%	97%	100%	113%	127%

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

TEMPERATURE DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2001

Station	Temperature				
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	
	Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	72	21	46	---
	Scottsbluff	69	20	46	+9
	Sidney	69	20	47	---
NC	Valentine	74	17	51	+16
NE	Norfolk	78	26	56	+19
	Sioux City	75	22	56	+19
CEN	Grand Island	76	27	56	+18
	Ord	75	19	51	---
EC	Lincoln	76	25	57	+18
	Omaha	76	31	58	+18
SW	Imperial	68	22	48	---
	North Platte	70	17	48	+12

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