

# Nebraska Weekly Weather & Crop Report



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## WEATHER

Wet weather prevailed last week. Precipitation occurred from the 3rd through the 5th; wet snow was reported in the Central and West. Widespread precipitation fell over the southeast half of Nebraska on the 9th and 10th, with 24-hour totals up to 1 1/2 inches reported.

Average weekly temperatures ranged from 4 degrees above normal in the southern Panhandle to 12 degrees above normal in the extreme Northeast.

## CROPS

Wet and extremely muddy conditions continue to plague farmers and ranchers in most areas of the State. Conditions were beginning to improve towards the end of the week but additional rainfall this past weekend erased any improvement that may have occurred.

There was virtually no harvesting attempted last week due to the wet fields and foggy weather. Corn harvest remains

at 97% complete while grain sorghum is 93% complete. The condition of grain sorghum left in the field is deteriorating more each day with heads beginning to mold.

The winter wheat crop remains in good to excellent condition. The crop is greening and growing with the milder temperatures. Preparation of seedbeds for spring crops will begin as soon as fields dry out.

Main farm activities continue to be livestock care and getting "unstuck." Also farmers are busy signing up for the wheat and feed grain programs, trying to beat the March 16 deadline.

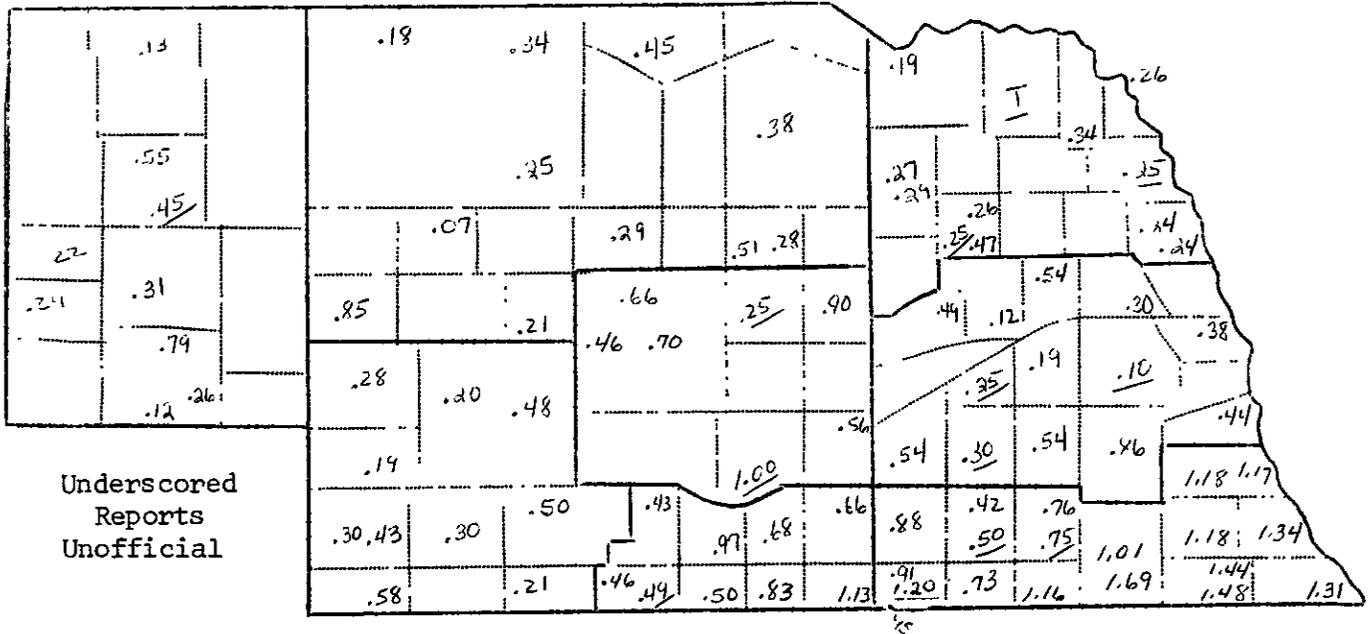
## LIVESTOCK

Feedlots remain in terrible condition with slow gains and above normal death losses. The calving season is moving into full swing. Calf losses due to scours are reported with the wet and damp weather causing additional problems. Most ranchers have an adequate supply of hay.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING 3/11/73

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	1.21	Burwell	.47	Chadron	.09
Lincoln	1.17	North Platte	.08	Imperial	.08
Norfolk	1.11	Valentine	.24	Scottsbluff	.05
Omaha	1.07			Sidney	T
Sioux City	.47				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 9, 1973



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Daytime highs, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.;  
Nighttime lows, 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., CST)

		March													
		5th		6th		7th		8th		9th		10th		11th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	44	28	48	23	52	21	47	29	48	36	55	23	63	25
	Scottsbluff	40	25	45	22	49	24	53	33	42	26	55	24	63	27
	Sidney	43	27	46	23	49	25	51	33	40	30	54	25	63	30
NC	Burwell	39	30	55	26	58	24	53	31	39	37	47	34	56	--
	Valentine	36	27	53	24	55	21	48	29	44	37	56	35	52	27
NE	Norfolk	43	25	56	31	56	27	49	33	39	37	40	35	44	31
	Sioux City	43	41	57	32	58	28	51	31	41	39	43	37	44	39
CEN	Grand Island	44	34	56	31	58	29	49	39	40	39	40	37	56	37
EC	Lincoln	45	40	59	29	62	29	50	37	41	39	40	36	51	27
	Omaha	44	43	56	34	59	35	51	36	40	37	40	35	45	37
SW	Imperial	44	27	53	26	55	25	55	33	42	36	49	30	65	33
	North Platte	39	23	55	26	55	20	56	31	41	36	45	32	63	31

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