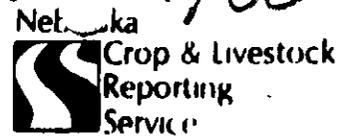


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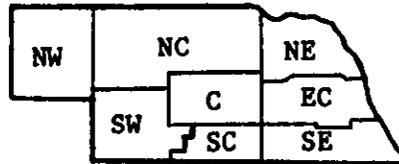
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WEATHER

Temperatures were normal over the Panhandle, but 5 to 8 degrees below normal over the remainder of the State. Precipitation averaged about one- to two-tenths across Nebraska mainly in the form of snow.

GENERAL

Weather during February was generally favorable with only two or three snow and ice storms which subsided without causing severe inconveniences. Snow cover often melted between storms to end the month with general measurements of two inches or less across Nebraska.

Farm activities have mainly been care of livestock and preparation for the upcoming crop season. Limited fieldwork such as stalk shredding, fertilizing, or discing has been accomplished during the past month.

Diesel and gasoline supplies were rated as 95% adequate and 5% tight while LP gas supplies were considered adequate in virtually all sections.

CROPS

The winter wheat condition at the beginning of March was rated as 2% excellent; 57% good; 37% fair; and 4% poor. The condition is basically unchanged from a month ago. Soil moisture levels are considered to be in adequate supply over most of the State.

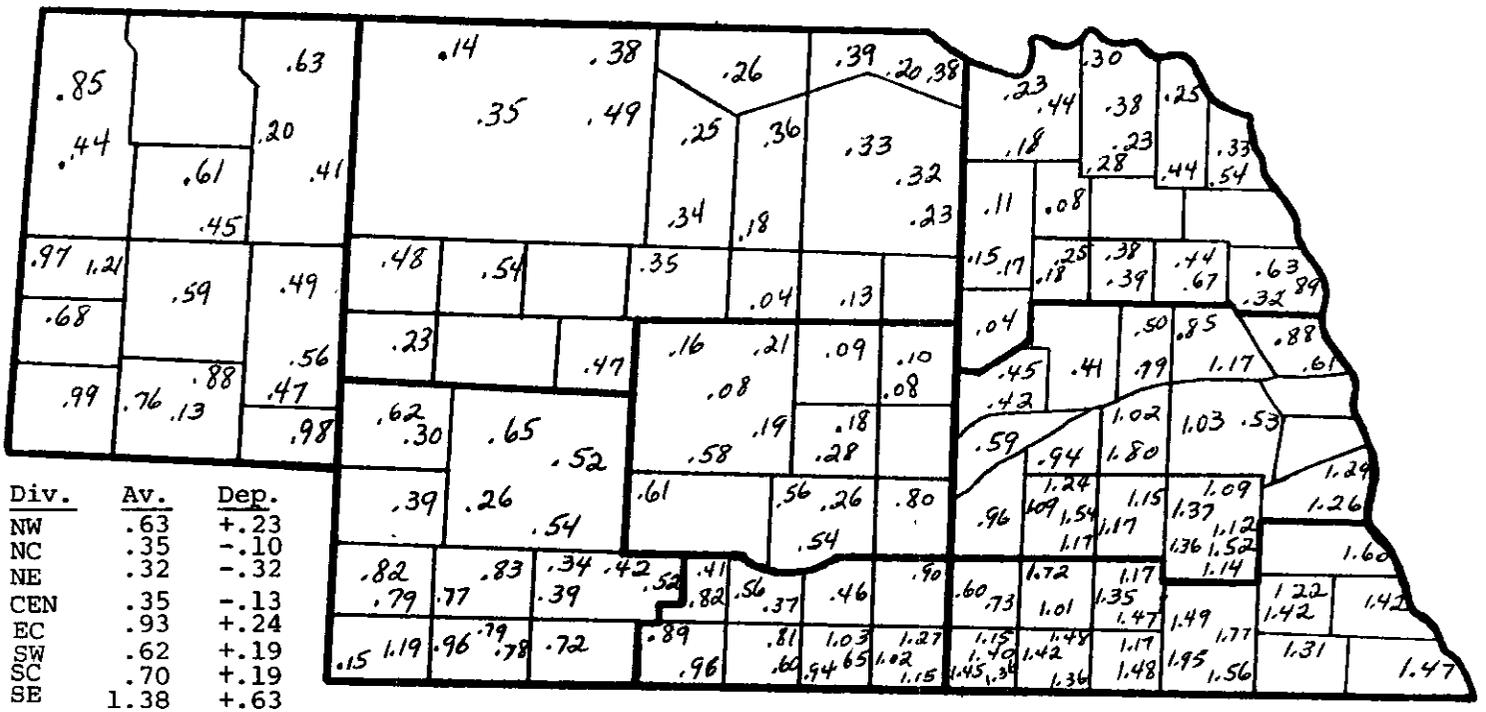
LIVESTOCK

The relatively mild winter weather has been favorable for livestock producers. Feed supplies have not been put under stress and livestock losses have been minimal. Most ranchers report cows to be in good to excellent condition as they enter the calving season. About 40% of the corn and sorghum stubble acreage was being pastured last week as compared with virtually none a year ago. Range and pasture feed supplies were rated as average in 93% of the counties. Feed grain and hay supplies are considered average or above in virtually all counties.

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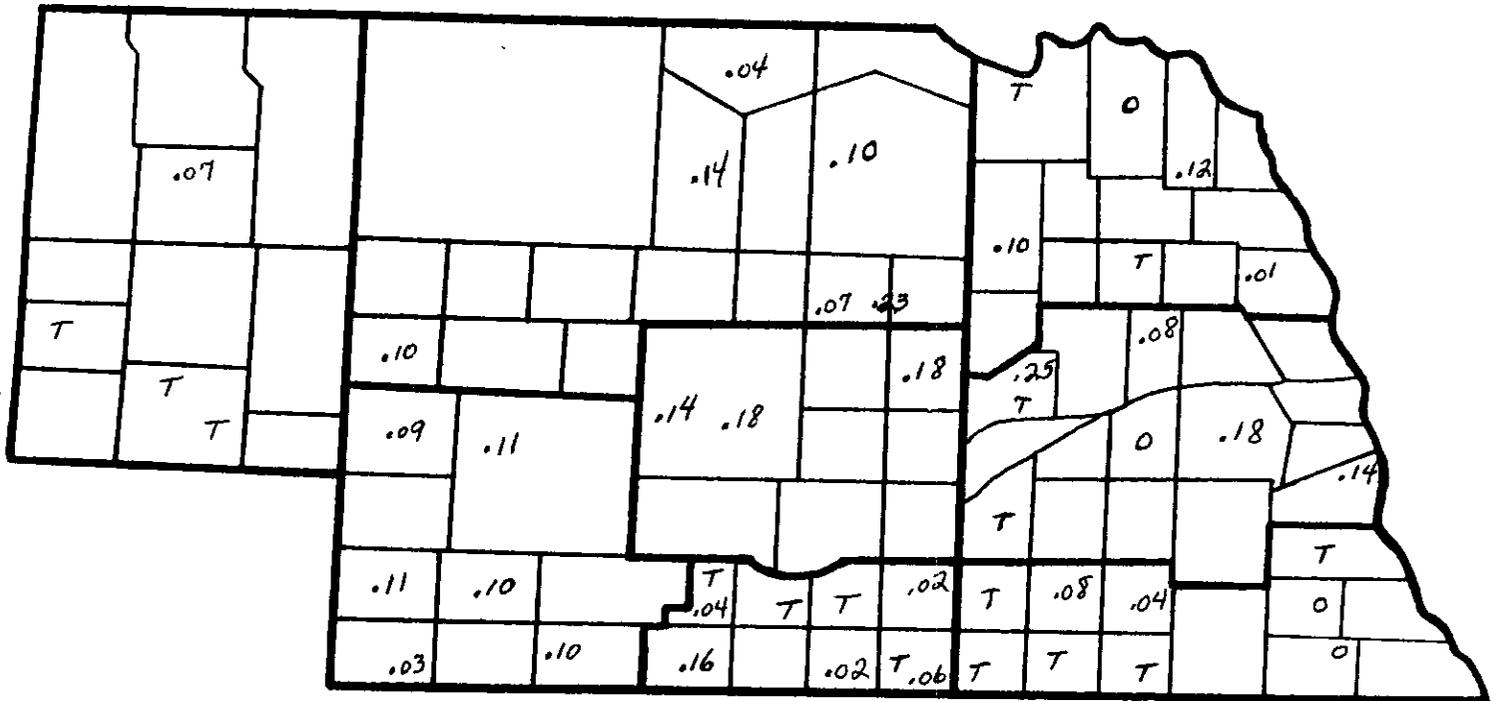
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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 1980



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 P.M. SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 1980

Station	Temperature				Precipitation	
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1/	
	Max	Min				
NW	Chadron	66	-10	30	---	.15
	Scottsbluff	68	-8	34	+3	.19
	Sidney	61	-12	30	---	.15
NC	Burwell	---	---	---	---	---
	Valentine	67	-29	22	-5	.10
NE	Norfolk	54	-6	21	-6	.08
	Sioux City	50	0	19	-8	T
CEN	Grand Island	57	-10	24	-7	.15
EC	Lincoln	51	-5	24	-7	.11
	Omaha	49	-3	21	-8	.14
SW	Imperial	67	-10	32	---	.02
	North Platte	69	-11	29	-1	.11

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.