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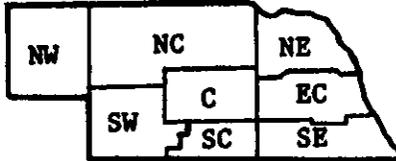
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## WEATHER

Temperatures averaged four degrees below normal across the State. Little to no precipitation occurred throughout the week.

## GENERAL

Row crop harvest was nearly complete across the State with only scattered areas still having crops to harvest, according to the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. Crop yields for both dryland and irrigated fields varied greatly from area to area and also within areas. Irrigation costs were generally above normal this year. Some producers were baling crop residues for livestock feed. In the West, the sugar beet harvest was virtually complete. Many producers that were finished with harvest turned to shredding stalks, disking, and applying fertilizer. Rain would be welcomed, now with harvest nearly complete, to replenish soil moisture supplies and help the winter wheat crop. The number of days suitable for fieldwork averaged 6.6.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 71% short and 29% adequate. Subsoil moisture rated 86% short and 14% adequate. Last year, topsoil moisture rated 87% short and 13% adequate, while subsoil moisture was 76% short and 24% adequate.

## CROPS

Corn harvest was 93% complete compared with 95% last year and 75% average.

## CROPS (Cont.)

Most of the unharvested corn was in the Western portion of the State.

Sorghum harvest was 95% complete compared with 98% in 1988 and 85% average. Harvest in the Southwest District was lagging behind the rest of the State.

Soybean harvest was 99% complete compared with 100% last year and 90% average. Harvest was slowed slightly in the Southeast by damp, humid weather.

Winter wheat condition was 1% very poor, 2% poor, 40% fair, and 57% good. The crop condition declined slightly from last week as moisture was needed in most areas.

## LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range feed supplies rated 23% very short, 60% short and 17% adequate. Hay and roughage supplies rated 8% very short, 47% short and 45% adequate. Livestock continue to graze stalks and some producers were baling crop residues. Cattlemen continued weaning calves and moving them to market. In the North, some cattle were still being shipped out of the area due to short hay supplies. More cattle from Montana and the Dakotas were arriving in the east to graze stalks and later placement on feed. The dry, dusty conditions were causing problems, such as pneumonia in some calves.

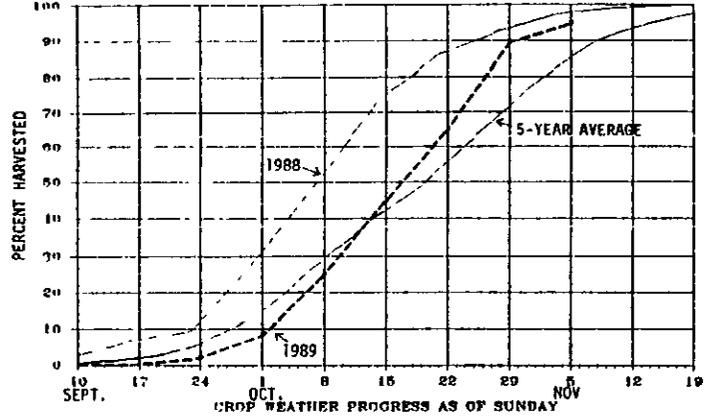
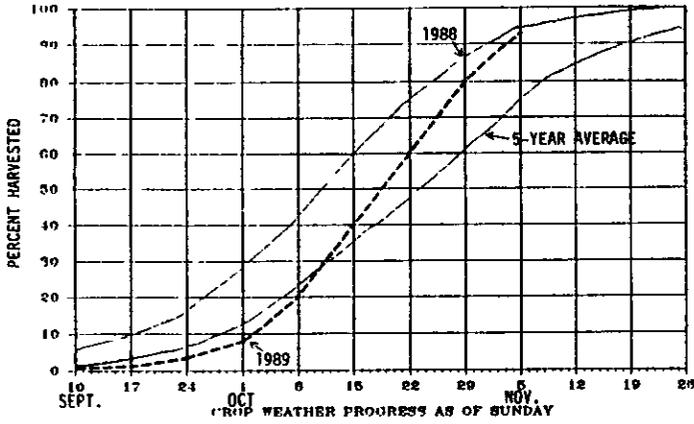
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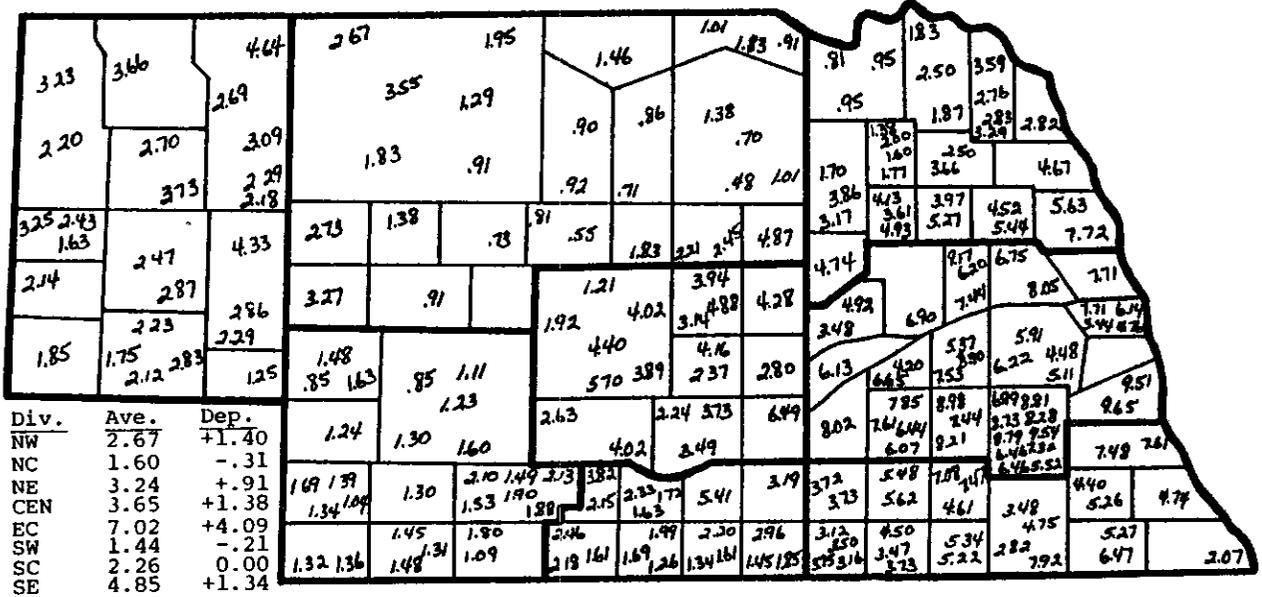
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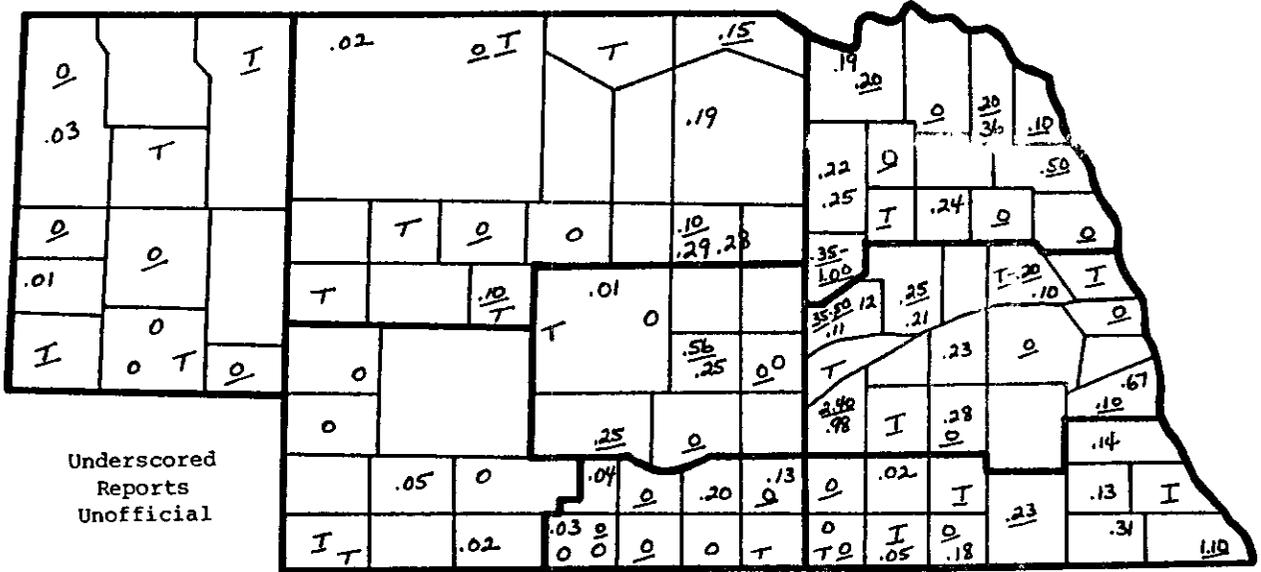


PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1989 1/



1/ Courtesy of the Center for Agricultural Meteorology and Climatology, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, The University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1989



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TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1989

Station	Temperature				Precipitation Total Inches 1/
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	
	Max	Min			
NW Chadron	60	17	36	--	.01
Scottsbluff	59	19	37	-5	T
Sidney	60	13	37	--	0
NC Ord	62	18	40	--	0
Valentine	60	17	37	-4	.05
NE Norfolk	67	21	38	-5	T
Sioux City	64	22	39	-5	T
CEN Grand Island	69	21	41	-3	.02
EC Lincoln	69	22	40	-5	T
Omaha	65	25	41	-4	.01
SW Imperial	69	16	40	--	0
North Platte	66	14	37	-4	T

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.