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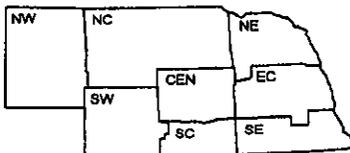
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WEATHER

Temperatures averaged five to six degrees below normals for the week. Precipitation was widespread across the State with amounts ranging from a quarter of an inch to nearly four and a half inches in the southeast.

GENERAL

Harvest made slow or no progress last week as widespread rains and snows made progress difficult, according to the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. With additional rains falling over the weekend, harvest delays will continue until drying weather or a ground solidifying freeze occurs allowing producers to again enter fields. However, the recent moisture has benefitted the State's wheat crop. Other producer activities included fall tillage and fertilizer application, fencing stalks, LDP requests, and livestock care.

CROPS

Corn for grain harvest was 86% complete, a few days ahead of last year's 79% and 81% average.

CROPS (cont.)

Progress was slowed across the State due to snow, rain, and continued wet field conditions.

Soybean harvest made limited progress also with completion at 95%, ahead of last year's 94% but behind the 99% average.

Sorghum harvest progressed to 90%, still ahead of both 84% last year and 88% average.

Winter wheat condition continued to improve last week due to moisture received. The crop was rated 3% poor, 18% fair, 64% good and 15% excellent.

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE & RANGE

Livestock continued being turned onto stalk fields as they became available. Calves were being worked and weaned, and fall health programs continued. Some supplemental feeding was occurring where cattle had not been turned onto winter feeding grounds.

CROP PROGRESS AS OF NOVEMBER 8, 1998	AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICTS								STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	AVER- AGE
	NW	NC	NE	C	EC	SW	SC	SE				
% Corn Harvested	50	85	83	88	97	71	97	93	86	83	79	91
% Soybeans Harvested	na	95	92	91	97	99	99	97	95	92	94	99
% Sorghum Harvested	na	93	95	86	88	94	92	94	90	86	84	88
DAYS SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION AS OF NOVEMBER 6, 1998												
Days suitable	1 5	2 3	3 9	2 0	2 0	2 2	2 0	1 0	2 3	4 5	5 7	
Topsoil												
(Percent)												
- Very Short	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
- Short	0	11	1	0	1	7	0	0	3	14	3	3
- Adequate	75	89	98	84	87	88	77	16	80	81	70	70
- Surplus	25	0	2	16	12	5	23	84	17	2	27	27
Subsoil												
(Percent)												
- Very Short	0	7	0	0	0	13	2	0	3	3	2	2
- Short	4	21	2	2	13	37	10	0	12	17	14	14
- Adequate	85	72	96	91	84	48	77	75	78	79	77	77
- Surplus	11	0	2	7	3	2	11	25	7	1	7	7

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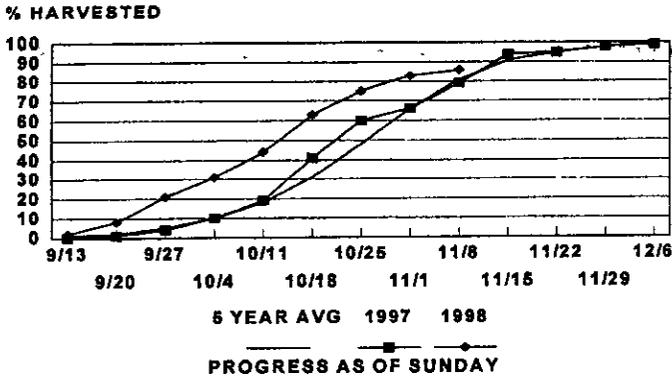
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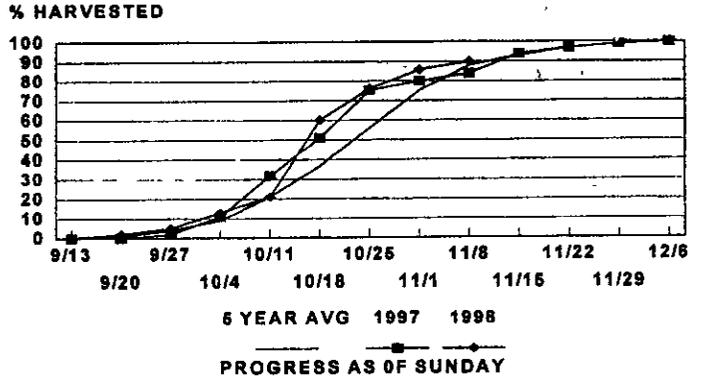
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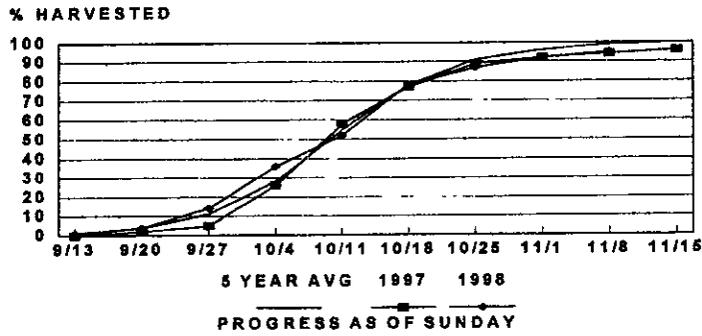
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HARVESTED FOR GRAIN

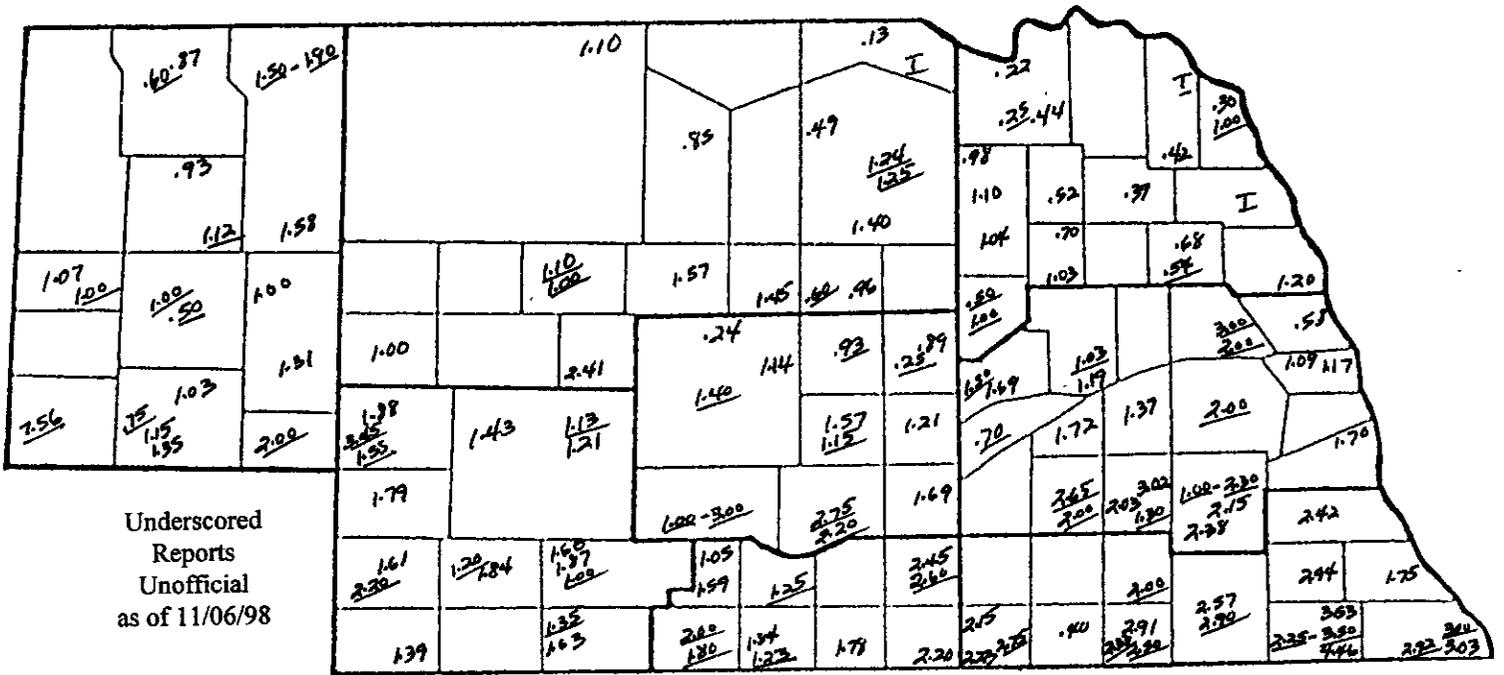


SOYBEANS

HARVESTED FOR ALL PURPOSES



PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1998



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1998

Station	Temperature				Precipitation
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches
	Max	Min			
NW Chadron	50	22	35	---	.87
Scottsbluff	47	27	35	-6	1.07
Sidney	44	26	33	---	1.15
NC Valentine	48	25	34	-6	1.10
NE Norfolk	48	22	37	-5	.70
Sioux City	50	22	37	-6	.30
CEN Grand Island	46	31	37	-6	1.69
Ord	46	29	36	---	---
EC Lincoln	50	25	39	-6	2.15
Omaha	50	26	39	-5	1.17
SW Imperial	44	29	35	---	---
North Platte	47	29	35	-6	1.21