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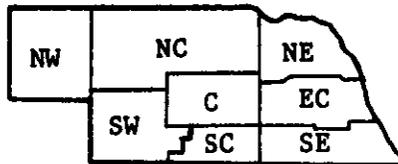
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WEATHER

Around an inch and a half of moisture fell over most of the State except in the Panhandle where only two-tenths of an inch occurred. A band of heavier snow with amounts near fourteen inches occurred over the central and north central areas with water equivalents of near two inches. Temperatures were around four degrees above normal.

GENERAL

Rain followed by snow brought excellent moisture supplies to the State, except for most Panhandle areas. Late harvest activities were halted with limited activity resuming in parts of the south and east as the week closed. Strong winds on Thursday did cause some dropped ears as well as lodging of corn in fields still standing; however, in most areas combining was virtually complete. Days suitable for fieldwork were 2.7.

Topsoil moisture supplies rated 12% short, 59% adequate, and 29% surplus. Subsoil supplies were 27% short, 71% adequate, and 2% surplus. A year ago,

topsoil moisture supplies were 90% short and only 10% adequate. Subsoil supplies were 88% short and 12% adequate.

CROPS

Corn harvest was 97% complete compared to 100% last year and 94% normal. Combining was near completion in most areas, although southwestern counties had near 10% still standing. A number of elevators did have grain temporarily stored on the ground.

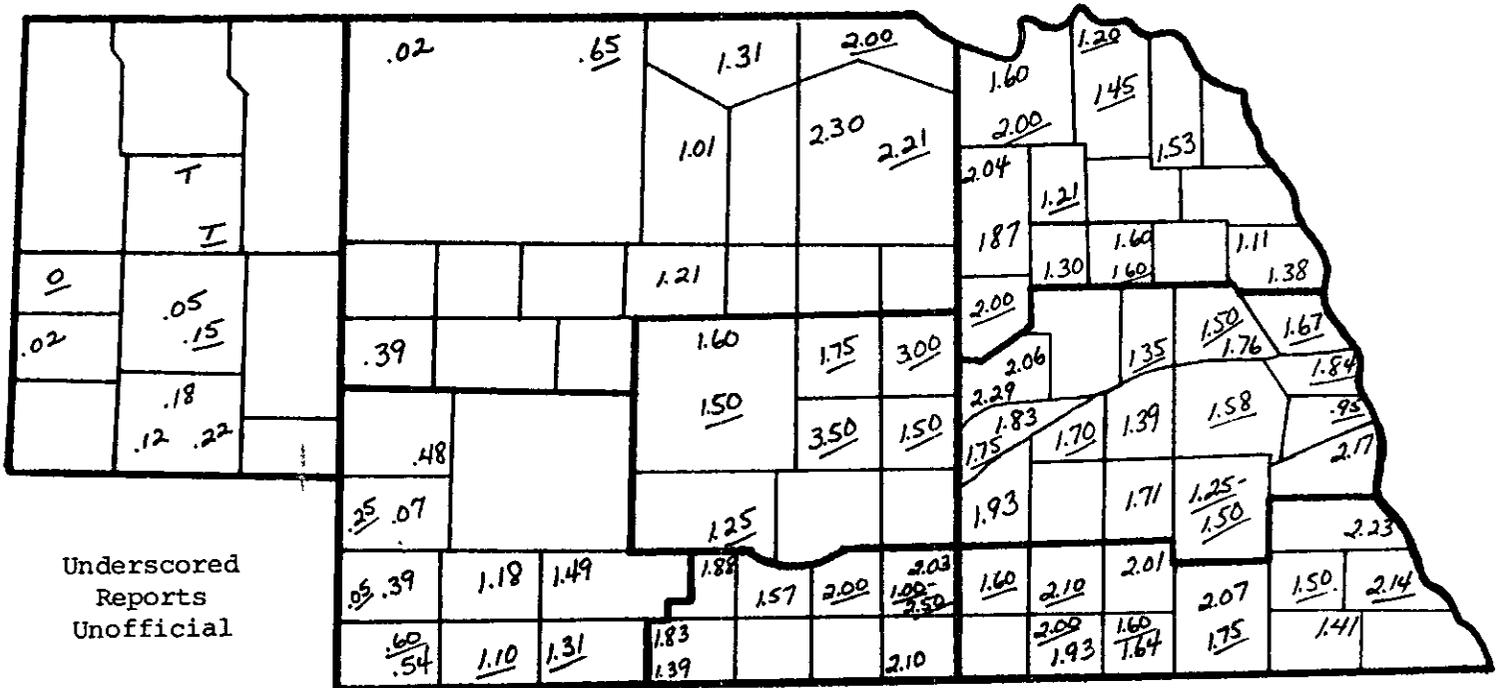
The winter wheat crop condition was 15% fair, 82% good, and 3% excellent. Moisture supplies were mostly adequate going into the winter months. Shortest moisture supplies currently exist in parts of the Panhandle.

LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range feed supplies were mostly adequate statewide. Snow covered many stalk and stubble fields early in the week with some producers feeding hay. The rain and snow greatly improved the northeastern pasture and hay prospects for the coming year but left feedlots very muddy.

Weekly reports are being discontinued and the report will be issued once a month until early spring. The next report will be released January 4, 1982.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1981



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TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1981

Station	Temperature				Precipitation
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1/
	Max	Min			
NW Chadron	65	13	36	--	0
Scottsbluff	70	11	37	+7	T
Sidney	70	10	36	--	.11
NC Ord	50	12	32	--	2.03
Valentine	56	9	32	+4	.61
NE Norfolk	51	16	33	+5	1.46
Sioux City	48	16	32	+4	1.01
CEN Grand Island	54	19	34	+3	1.49
EC Lincoln	51	21	35	+4	1.41
Omaha	48	21	34	+4	1.82
SW Imperial	69	16	39	--	.44
North Platte	61	14	33	+3	1.05

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.

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