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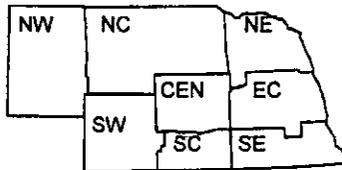
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WEATHER

Temperatures across the State averaged six to ten degrees below normals for the week. Precipitation was generally light with amounts ranging from a few hundredths to less than a half inch.

GENERAL

Corn and sorghum harvest made good progress last week with corn nearly three-fourths combined, according to the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. A killing frost ended the growing season in remaining portions of east and south. High winds on October 26 and 29 caused stalk breakage and ear droppage. Producers were working long hours to reduce field loss as much as possible. Other fieldwork activities included harvesting sunflowers in the west, after-harvest tillage, and working cattle.

CROPS

Corn grain harvest was 71% complete, near 73% last year and 70% average. Reports in the central and

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east central parts of the State indicated that some producers encountered long lines at the elevators which slowed harvest. Harvest activities were most advanced in south central counties with over 80% combined as of Sunday. High winds on October 26 and 29 caused varying degrees of damage. Some varieties held up well, while others took a big hit.

Sorghum grain harvest was 59% complete, well behind 98% last year and ten days behind the average of 82%. Harvest in south central counties was also most advanced with 70% cut.

Winter wheat condition rated 4% poor, 30% fair, 59% good, and 7% excellent.

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE & RANGE

Cattle continued to be moved to stalks for gleaning. Producers were weaning and working calves.

FIELD WORK PROGRESS AS OF NOVEMBER 3, 1996	AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICTS								STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	AVER- AGE
	NW	NC	NE	C	EC	SW	SC	SE				
% Corn Harvested	73	75	66	66	75	60	82	77	71	45	73	70
% Sorghum Harvested	n/a	53	61	62	55	43	70	58	59	28	98	82
DAYS SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 1996												
Days suitable	4.4	5.5	5.3	6.8	6.4	6.6	6.6	4.8	5.7	6.6	3.7	
Topsoil moisture - Very Short	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	1	2	1	
(Percent)												
- Short	8	7	23	37	54	14	14	24	23	21	19	
- Adequate	81	93	71	61	41	85	85	76	73	75	71	
- Surplus	11	0	6	2	1	1	0	0	3	2	9	
Subsoil moisture - Very Short	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	3	
(Percent)												
- Short	8	4	14	26	33	4	6	14	13	12	34	
- Adequate	92	96	80	72	64	93	94	78	84	86	62	
- Surplus	0	0	6	2	0	3	0	8	2	2	1	

n/a = not available.

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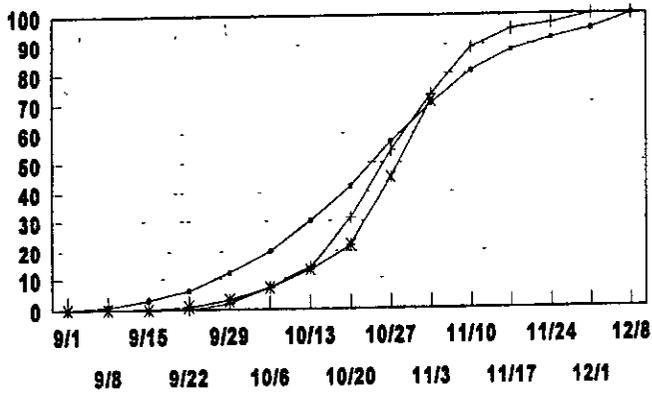
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CORN

HARVESTED FOR GRAIN

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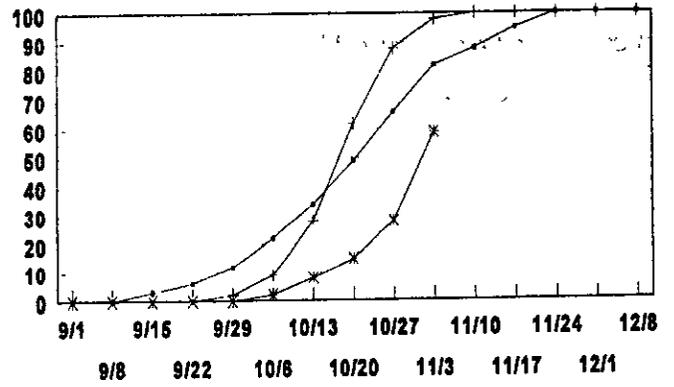
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PROGRESS AS OF SUNDAY

SORGHUM

HARVESTED FOR GRAIN

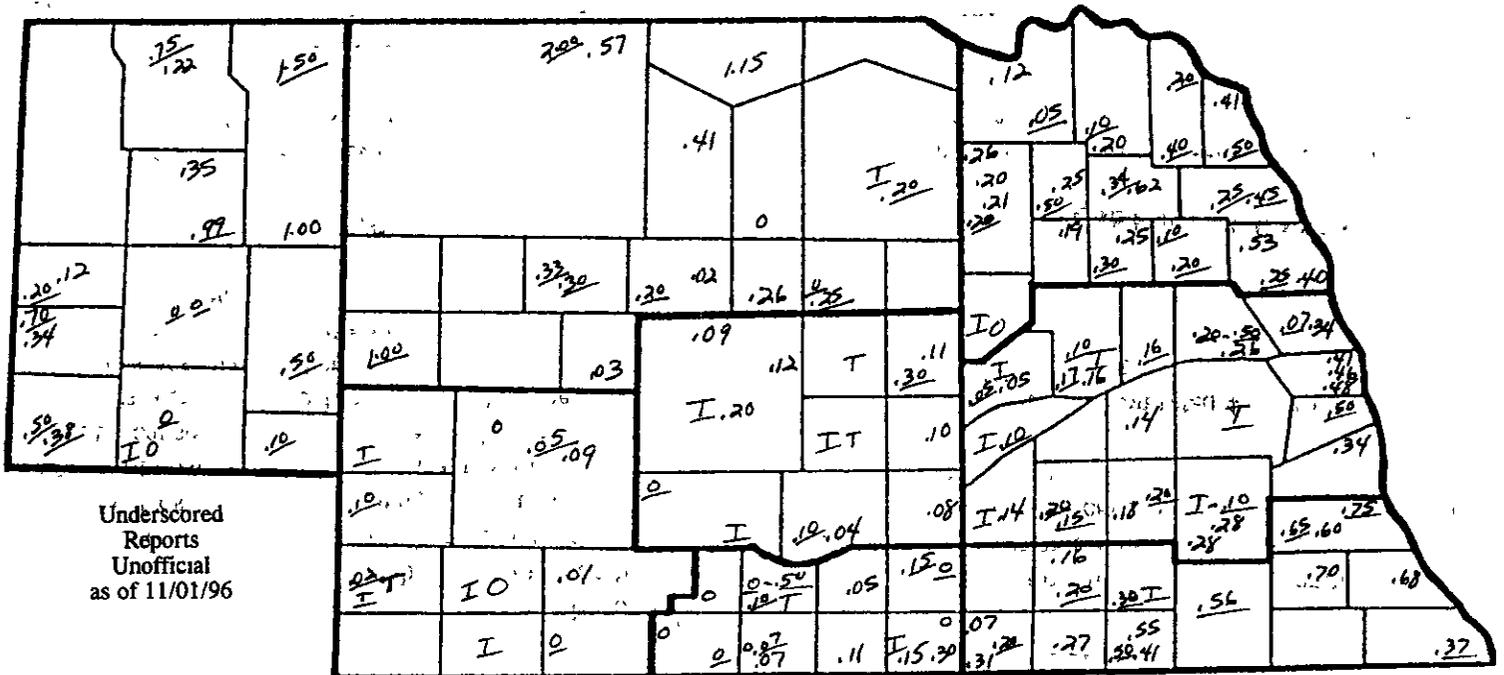
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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1996



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1996

Station	Temperature				Precipitation
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	
	Max	Min			
NW Chadron	67	20	36	---	.22
Scottsbluff	64	18	36	-8	.12
Sidney	62	18	36	---	0
NC Valentine	63	17	35	-7	.57
NE Norfolk	61	15	36	-9	.19
Sioux City	62	13	35	-10	.41
CEN Grand Island	65	17	39	-7	.08
Ord	65	15	38	---	T
EC Lincoln	66	16	40	-7	.28
Omaha	66	18	39	-8	.46
SW Imperial	68	24	39	---	T
North Platte	64	19	37	-6	.09