

# Nebraska Weekly Weather & Crop Report



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## WEATHER

Last week, very cold temperatures prevailed over the State with departures of 20 to 40 degrees below normal. Maximum temperatures never warmed above the teens.

Precipitation in the form of snow was heaviest over the southeast section where water equivalent ranged from a quarter to a half an inch with lesser amounts over the west and north sections.

Precipitation was quite general over the State two weeks ago with amounts averaging from two to nine inches of snow. The heavier amounts fell in the central and south central portions of the State. Aurora received 1.15 inches of moisture which amounted to about 12 inches of snow.

Maximum temperatures were below normal all week, and minimum temperatures were above normal early in the week falling to much below normal by week end.

## CROPS

A few fields of corn are still left in the fields. Snow has slowed any further harvest.

Winter wheat is reported in good condition with snow cover continuing to provide good protection.

## LIVESTOCK

Livestock are in good condition in spite of poor weather. Snow and extreme cold have limited pasturing of beet tops, corn stalks, and wheat fields. Cold is also putting a strain on hay reserves although supply is normal as of now--it may run short if the very cold weather continues.

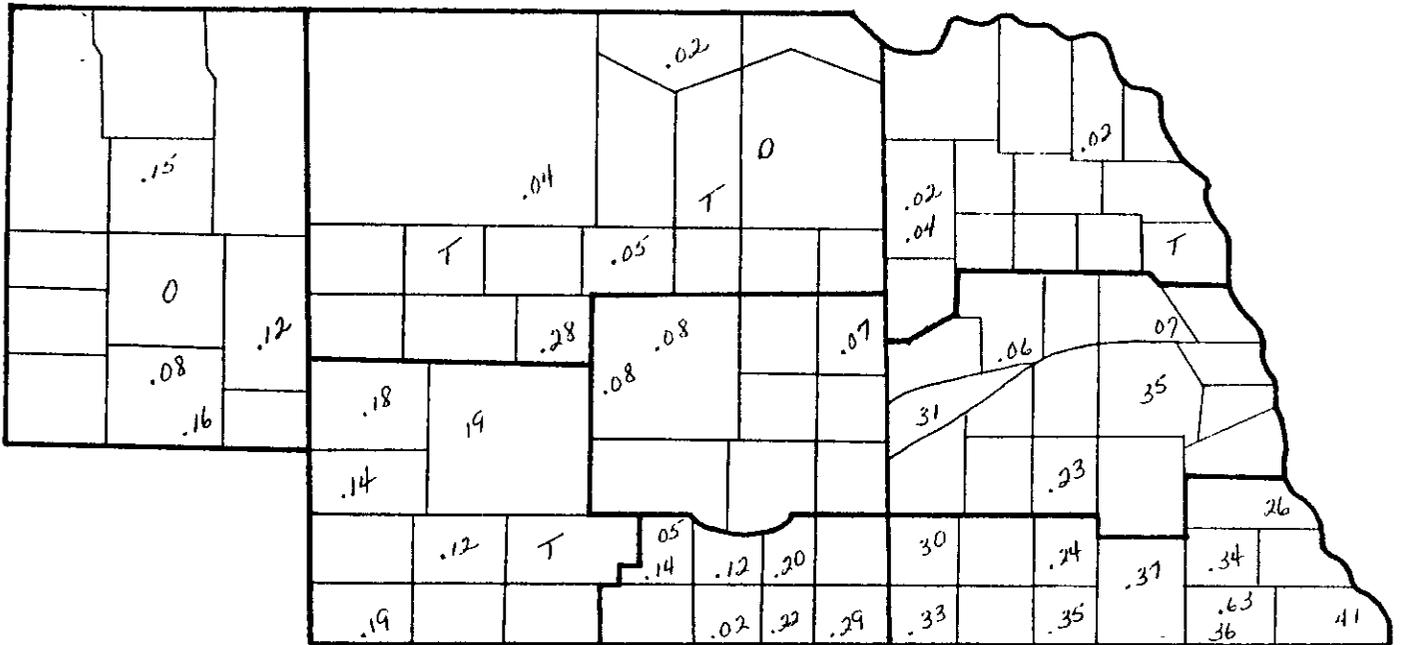
Some calving and lambing will be starting soon.

## GENERAL

While farmers were celebrating Christmas and the New Year, chores still had to be done. Other farm activities were livestock care, machinery repair, checking water systems, and hauling grain to market. Farmers are now attending livestock sales and various agricultural meetings. It is the time of year that farmers are paying great attention to farm account work and income taxes.

Next issue to be released on February 5

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 1974



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 P.M. SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 1974

Station	Temperature				Precipitation
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches <u>1/</u>
	Max	Min			
NW Chadron	17	-25	-2	-32	.03
Scottsbluff	11	-24	-7	--	.18
Sidney	--	--	--	--	--
NC Burwell	--	--	--	--	--
Valentine	19	-20	-3	-24	.06
NE Norfolk	13	-22	-2	-22	.13
Sioux City	17	-20	-1	-20	.08
CEN Grand Island	8	-23	-10	-33	.24
EC Lincoln	10	-26	-4	-27	.39
Omaha	14	-18	+2	-21	.25
SW Imperial	16	-23	-1	--	.23
North Platte	7	-23	-7	-30	.07

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.

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