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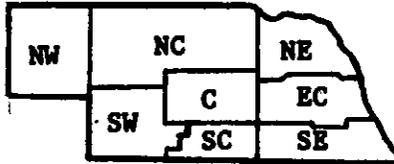
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WEATHER

Much of the State remained cool with widespread showers. Most rainfall amounts were light. A few locations reported an inch to an inch and a half of precipitation. The average temperatures ranged from normal in the Panhandle to two to seven degrees below normal elsewhere.

GENERAL

Scattered showers and cooler temperatures continued to be the norm last week. Overall crop prospects remained good although crop development has been slowed due to unseasonably cooler temperatures. Ground preparation for wheat seeding was gearing up. A few western operators seeded wheat where sandy soils or higher elevation require early emergence. Fall seeding of wheat should be in full swing next month. Preparation of machinery and storage facilities for harvest was a high priority. Other activities included summer fallow tillage, irrigation, hay harvest and weed control. The number of days suitable for fieldwork averaged 4.9.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 25% short, 65% adequate and 10% surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 22% short, 76% adequate and 2% surplus. A year ago, topsoil moisture rated 54% short and 46% adequate. Subsoil moisture supplies were 62% short and 38% adequate.

CROPS

Nebraska's total corn crop condition rated 1% fair, 68% good and 31% excellent. Ninety-nine percent of both the irrigated and non-irrigated crops were rated good or excellent. Corn in the dough stage or beyond moved ahead to 85%, compared to 80% last year and 75% average. Denting was reported on 25% of the acreage compared to 20% last year and 25% average.

Soybean condition rated 8% fair, 67% good and 25% excellent. Acreage setting pods advanced to 97%, ahead of 90% last year and average. Leaves were beginning to turn color on about 2% of the acreage, compared to 2% last year and 4% average.

Sorghum condition rated 9% fair, 76% good and 15% excellent. Sorghum headed stood at 95%, compared to 85% last year and 94% average. Sorghum turning color approached 10%, compared to 10% last year and 20% average.

Alfalfa condition rated mostly good to fair. Sixty percent of the third cutting was completed. This compares to 35% last year and 55% average.

LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range feed supplies rated mostly adequate to short. Cool season grasses continued to show growth with prospects for fall grazing good.

Precipitation, April 1 - August 23, 1985

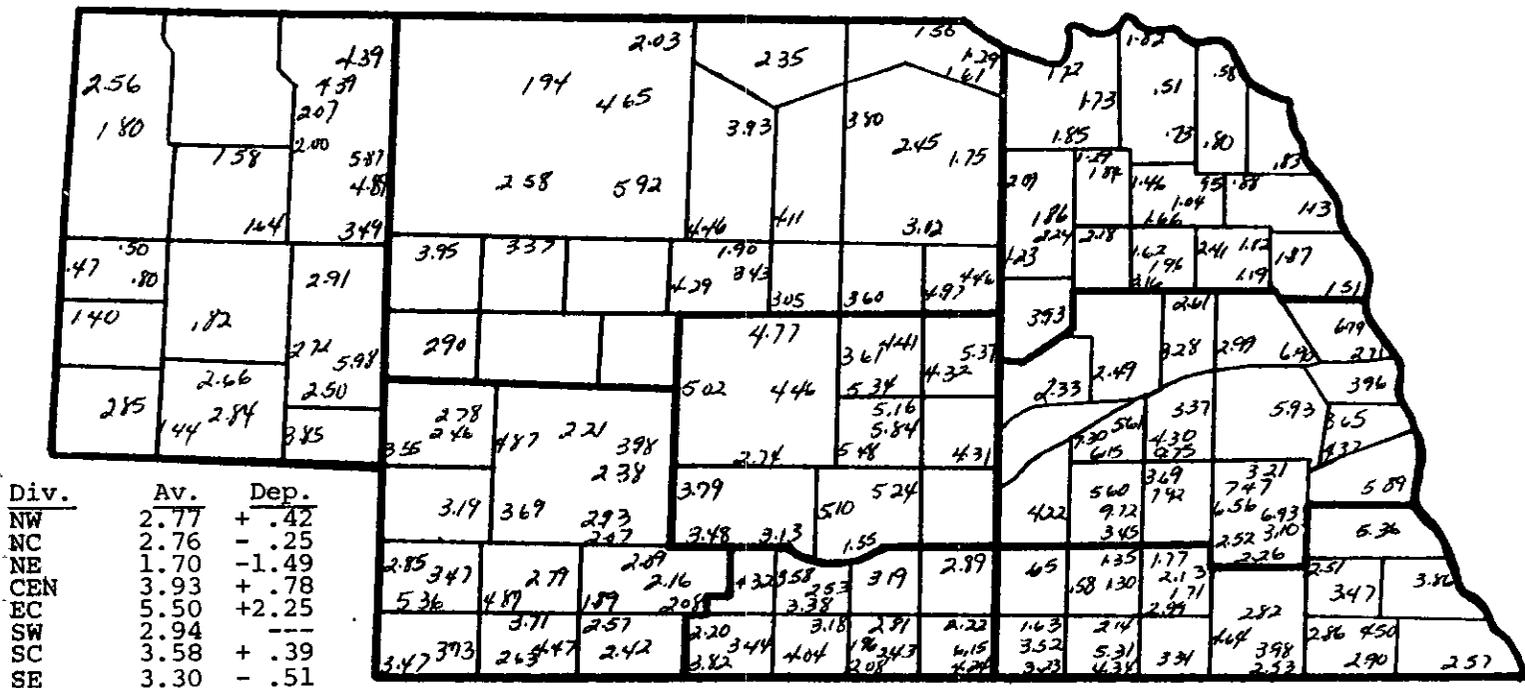
	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week.....	.19	.85	1.63	.71	.95	.24	.07	.93
Total since April 1.....	8.91	14.39	18.25	16.44	18.83	12.31	18.06	19.07
Normal since April 1.....	12.00	14.05	16.51	15.28	17.72	13.12	15.73	18.72

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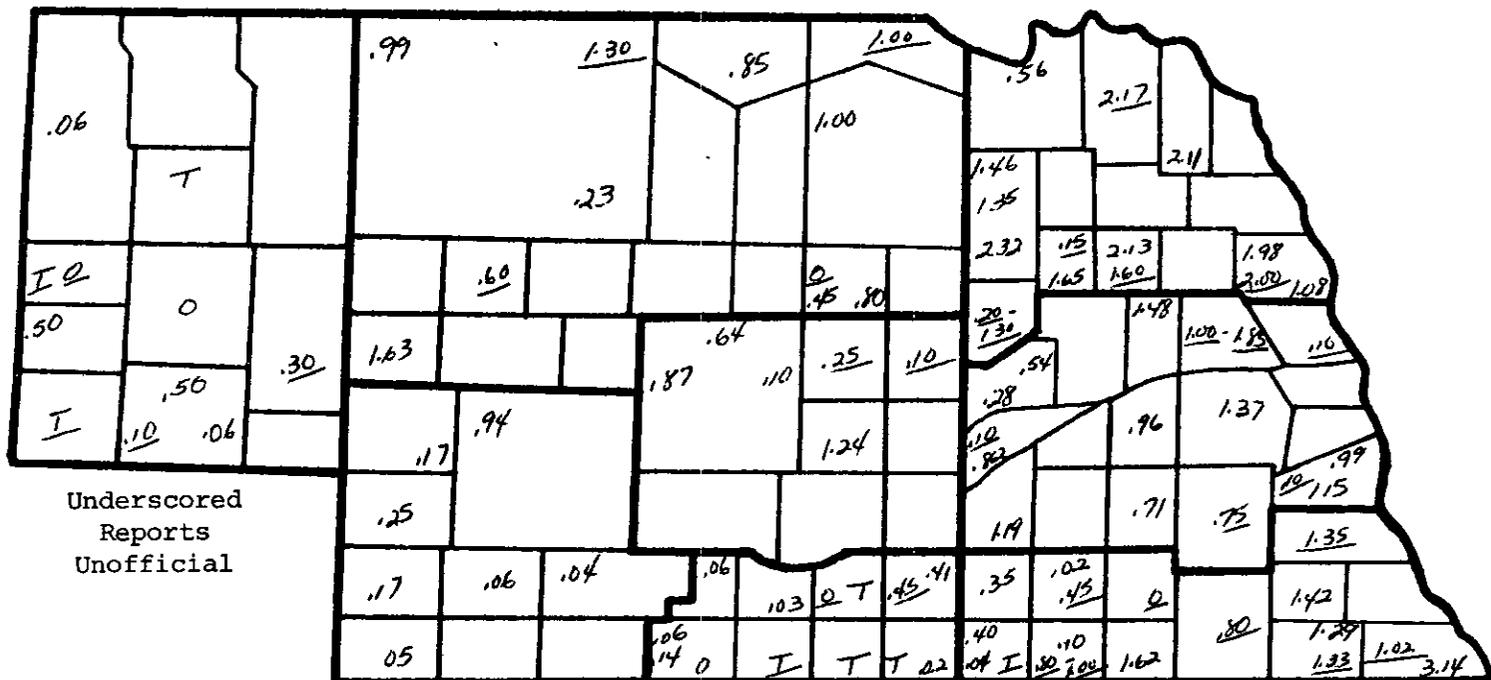
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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF JULY 1985 ^{1/}



^{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, AUGUST 23, 1985



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 1985

Station	Temperature			Precipitation	
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	
	Max	Min			Total Inches ^{1/}
NW Chadron	94	41	71	--	.13
Scottsbluff	93	43	70	0	T
Sidney	95	44	70	--	.02
NC Ord	86	45	68	--	.00
Valentine	85	45	67	-4	1.07
NE Norfolk	87	52	69	-3	.81
Sioux City	83	54	68	-4	.53
CEN Grand Island	86	51	69	-4	.04
EC Lincoln	85	57	68	-7	1.50
Omaha	83	55	69	-3	.19
SW Imperial	96	47	71	--	.00
North Platte	92	44	69	-2	.34

^{1/} Precipitation totals not included in map above.