

Nebraska Weather and Crops



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Agricultural Summary: For the week ending November 1, 2009, another week of wet weather continued to stall harvest, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. Corn harvest lags average by four weeks and is the latest harvest since 1967. Soybean harvest was more than two thirds complete, but now over two weeks behind and the latest harvest since 1984. Heavy snow occurred at midweek in Panhandle counties and spread into the western half of the state on Friday. Accumulations of a foot or more of snow accompanied by high winds were reported in a number of counties.

Weather Summary: Temperatures averaged 2 degrees below normal across the state and ranged from highs in the low 70's to lows in the teens. It was another wet week with most areas receiving an inch or more of moisture.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable: Nebraska, Week Ending November 1, 2009

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	This	Last	Last	Aver-		
	Week	Week	Year	age		
	Percent					
Topsoil						
Very Short	0	0	3	8		
Short	1	3	10	23		
Adequate	75	81	77	66		
Surplus	24	16	10	3		
Subsoil						
Very Short	1	1	6	18		
Short	7	12	15	29		
Adequate	84	81	74	51		
Surplus	8	6	5	2		
Days Suitable	1.8	1.6	5.4	6.0		

Field Crops Report: Corn conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 12 fair, 54 good, and 26 excellent, above last year's 77 percent good or excellent rating. Irrigated fields rated 83 percent good or excellent while dryland fields rated 76, both above year ago levels. Corn mature was 90 percent, behind last year's 91 and the average of 98. Corn harvested was 18 percent complete, well behind last year's 33 and four weeks behind the 62 average.

Soybean harvest was 69 percent complete, well behind last year's 91 and sixteen days behind the 93 average.

Sorghum conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 22 fair, 56 good, and 15 excellent, near year ago levels.

Sorghum mature was 91 percent, ahead of last year's 87 but behind the average of 97. Sorghum harvest was 9 percent complete, well behind last year's 25 and five weeks behind the 61 average.

Dry bean harvest was 94 percent complete, behind last year's 100 and the 98 average.

Proso millet harvest was 66 percent complete, well behind last year's 99 and five weeks behind the 98 average.

Winter wheat conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 26 fair, 61 good, and 12 excellent, below last year's 85 percent good or excellent rating. Winter wheat emerged was 95 percent, near last year's 96 and the 97 average.

Crop Progress: Nebraska, Week Ending November 1, 2009

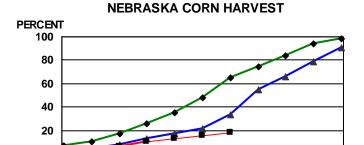
Crop	This	Last	Last	Aver-
Стор	Week	Week	Year	Age
	Percent			
Corn Mature	90	87	91	98
Corn Harvested	18	15	33	62
Dry Beans Harvested	94	93	100	98
Proso Millet Harvested	66	65	99	98
Sorghum Mature	91	88	87	97
Sorghum Harvested	9	8	25	61
Soybeans Harvested	69	63	91	93
Winter Wheat Emerged	95	86	96	97

Crop Condition: Nebraska, Week Ending November 1, 2009

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel- Lent
			Percent		
Corn	2	6	12	54	26
Sorghum	1	6	22	56	15
Wheat	0	1	26	61	12

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 16 fair, 63 good, and 15 excellent, above last year's 64 percent good or excellent condition. Confinement areas were in poor condition because of all the moisture.

This release is based on data from FSA county directors, county extension educators, NOAA, and the High Plains Regional Climate Center. County comments and reports can be found at: http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Nebraska/Publications/Crop Progress & Condition/cmts cur.htm



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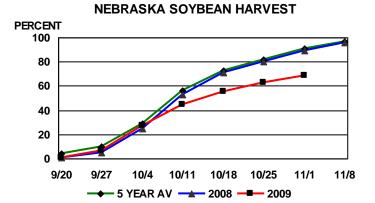
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Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

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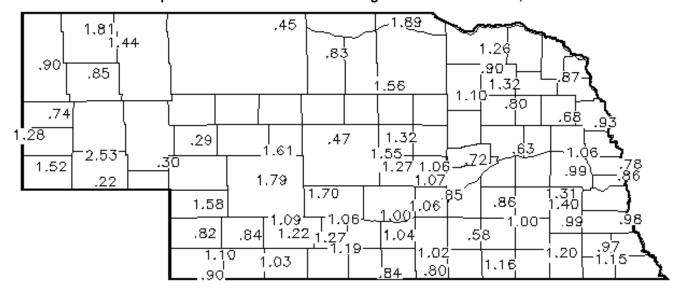
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Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

Precipitation in Inches for Week Ending 8:00 a.m. November 1, 2009



Precipitation: By District, Nebraska, April 1 - November 1, 2009

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Item	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	1.41	1.53	.97	.92	.90	1.26	1.18	.99
Total since April 1	19.78	22.08	21.83	21.49	22.59	25.90	21.90	22.38
Normal since April 1	13.73	17.80	21.61	19.83	23.37	16.82	19.54	24.39
Total as % of normal	143%	124%	100%	107%	96%	154%	113%	91%

Temperature: By Location, Nebraska,

			nday, November 1			
			Te	emperature		
	Station	Extr	remes	A	Danastan	
		High Low		Average	Departure	
NW	Alliance	58	12	37	-7	
	Scottsbluff	64	11	37	-6	
	Sidney	61	17	38	-7	
NC	Ainsworth	64	29	43	-2	
	Arthur	64	21	40	-5	
	O'Neill	65	27	43	-2	
NE	Concord	64	27	45	-2	
	Elgin	67	30	45	-1	
	West Point	71	28	47	-1	
С	Grand Island	68	29	45	-1	
	Lexington	65	27	43	-3	
	Ord	69	29	44	-2	
EC	Central City	70	30	47	0	
	Lincoln	74	31	49	+1	
	Mead	72	28	47	-1	
SW	Champion	67	24	40	-5	
	Dickens	63	24	40	-6	
	McCook	66	27	43	-2	
SC	Minden	69	28	45	-1	
	Red Cloud	71	28	47	0	
	Smithfield	65	28	43	-3	
SE	Beatrice	70	28	47	-1	
	Clay Center	70	29	46	0	
	Nemaha	75	31	52	+3	

Source: High Plains Regional Climate Center and Nebraska State Climate Office