Agricultural Summary: For the week ending May 27, 2012, weather continued to impact crops in most locations with hot, dry, and windy conditions, while storms provided some much needed moisture in portions of central and northeastern Nebraska, according to USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. Hail and tornadoes damaged crops and property in areas of the state and some replanting of spring crops will take place. Pivots were running to aid in crop germination and emergence. Planting of soybeans was nearly completed and three-fourths of the sorghum crop had been planted. Wheat was mostly headed and 22 percent of the crop was turning color. Progress of the first cutting of alfalfa was over 3 weeks ahead of average. Proso millet and dry bean planting continued.

Weather Summary: Temperatures averaged near normal in the northern half of the state and 3 to 7 degrees above normal in the southern half. High temperatures reached triple digits in several locations and lows of mid 30’s were recorded in the Panhandle. Heaviest levels of precipitation fell in the Central and Northeast Districts with accumulations of over 2 inches in isolated pockets. The Southeast District received little to no moisture.

Wheat headed was 95 percent, ahead of 26 last year and 21 days ahead of 37 average. Wheat turning color was 22 percent. The impact of hot and dry conditions and low temperatures on wheat in the Panhandle is being felt. Wheat conditions declined and rated 3 percent very poor, 10 poor, 37 fair, 45 good, and 5 excellent, below 53 percent good to excellent last year and 64 average.

Dry beans planted were 41 percent complete, well ahead of 7 last year and 11 days ahead of 14 average.

Proso millet was 26 percent planted, well ahead of 2 average.

The first cutting of alfalfa was 81 percent complete, well ahead of 7 last year and 25 days ahead of 18 average. Concerns continued over insect activity. Alfalfa rated 1 percent very poor, 9 poor, 31 fair, 52 good, and 7 excellent, below 74 percent good to excellent last year and average.

Wild hay harvest had begun at 5 percent completed. Wild hay conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 24 fair, 68 good, and 2 excellent, equal to last year’s good to excellent.

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Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions declined and rated 2 percent very poor, 10 poor, 40 fair, 44 good, and 4 excellent, below 74 percent good to excellent last year and average.

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/NEcurrent.asp

Field Crops Report: Corn emerged stood at 97 percent, well ahead of 71 last year and 75 average. Corn conditions rated 3 percent poor, 18 fair, 72 good, and 7 excellent, above last year’s 46 percent good to excellent.

Soybean planting was 96 percent complete, ahead of 75 last year and 12 days ahead of 77 average. Soybeans emerged were 73 percent, ahead of 36 last year and average.

Sorghum planting was 73 percent complete, ahead of 43 last year and 11 days ahead of 48 average. Sorghum emerged was 31 percent, ahead of 15 last year and 16 average.

Oats headed was 47 percent, well ahead of 5 last year and 3 weeks ahead of 7 average. Oats conditions rated 2 percent poor, 25 fair, 71 good, and 2 excellent.

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