



Nebraska Weather and Crops

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Agricultural Summary: For the week ending November 25, 2012, much field work was completed with the above normal temperatures and virtually no precipitation, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. Field activities included fall tillage, fertilizer and herbicide applications, and conservation work with soil temperatures averaging in the mid 40's. Winter wheat continues being stressed by the ongoing drought, with near half of the crop in poor or very poor condition. Emergence lags average with thin and spotty stands reported.

Weather Summary: Average temperatures across the state ranged from 5 degrees above normal in the Northeast to 10 degrees above normal in the Panhandle. Highs reached the mid 70's and lows were in the teens. Statewide, little or no precipitation was recorded with only trace amounts reported in the Northwest and North Central District border counties.

**Soil Moisture and Days Suitable:
Nebraska, Week Ending November 25, 2012**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average
<i>Percent</i>				
Topsoil				
Very Short	72	69	8	6
Short	24	26	40	26
Adequate	4	5	52	65
Surplus	0	0	0	3
Subsoil				
Very Short	80	83	6	6
Short	18	16	36	24
Adequate	2	1	57	68
Surplus	0	0	1	2
Days Suitable	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.1

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat emerged was 95 percent, behind 100 percent last year and average. Wheat conditions rated 15 percent very poor, 31 poor, 40 fair, and 14 good, well below 75 percent good to excellent last year and 64 average.

Crop Progress: Nebraska, Week Ending November 25, 2012

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average
Winter Wheat Emerged	95	92	100	100

Crop Condition: Nebraska, Week Ending November 25, 2012

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
<i>Percent</i>					
Winter Wheat	15	31	40	14	0

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

LAST WEEKLY WEATHER & CROPS FOR 2012

This is the last Weekly Weather and Crops report for the 2012 growing season. We would like to extend our appreciation to the dedicated county FSA and extension staff who supplied the necessary information for these reports. For December through March, we will issue monthly reports. Weekly reports will begin April 7th for the 2013 season.

Happy Holidays,

Dean C. Groskurth
Director

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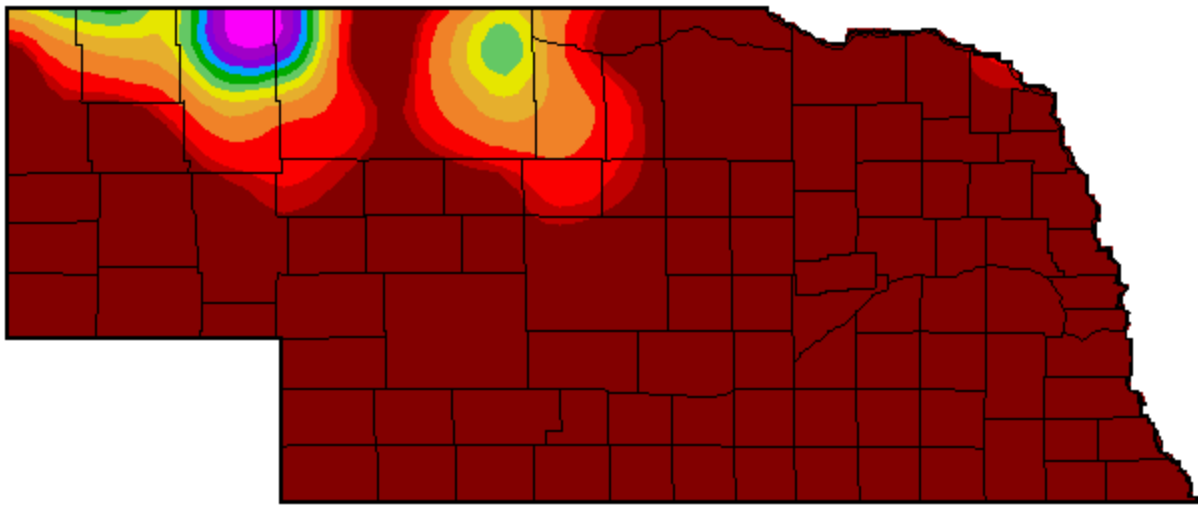
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Precipitation in Inches November 19 – November 25, 2012



Precipitation: By District, Nebraska, November 19 – November 25, 2012

Item	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.00	.01	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
Total since April 1	6.79	10.01	12.89	9.65	15.08	9.31	11.74	16.97
Normal since April 1	14.12	18.73	22.40	21.35	24.29	17.13	21.14	25.53
Total as % of normal	47%	53%	57%	45%	61%	54%	55%	66%

**Temperature: By Location, Nebraska,
Week Ending Sunday, November 25, 2012**

Station	Temperature				
	Extremes		Average	Departure	
	High	Low			
NW	Alliance	72	11	42	+9
	Scottsbluff	74	15	42	+10
	Sidney	72	15	43	+10
NC	Ainsworth	77	11	41	+8
	Arthur	74	11	42	+9
	O'Neill	70	15	40	+6
NE	Concord	71	13	38	+4
	Elgin	70	14	39	+5
	West Point	72	13	40	+5
C	Grand Island	74	17	43	+9
	Cozad	69	11	39	+6
	Ord	72	14	39	+6
EC	Central City	72	16	41	+7
	Lincoln	72	20	45	+9
	Mead	73	12	41	+5
SW	Champion	75	14	41	+8
	Dickens	70	14	42	+9
	McCook	72	15	43	+10
SC	Minden	72	17	42	+8
	Red Cloud	74	19	44	+10
	Smithfield	70	18	42	+9
SE	Beatrice	73	15	43	+7
	Clay Center	72	17	42	+8
	Nemaha	74	19	46	+10

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