



News Release

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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, June 9, 2014 -- For the week ending June 8, 2014, rainfall occurred statewide with 2 to 3 inches common in central and eastern counties, improving soil moisture supplies, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. High winds and hail damaged growing crops and irrigation equipment. Producers were in the process of evaluating affected crops to determine if replanting was necessary. Alfalfa harvest advanced but was difficult due to the wet conditions. Dry bean planting continued in western counties and millet planting was underway. Pastures were showing improvement with the recent rains. The number of days considered suitable for fieldwork were 3.5. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 19 short, 69 adequate, and 7 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 14 percent very short, 25 short, 59 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat conditions rated 8 percent very poor, 16 poor, 34 fair, 39 good, and 3 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 97 percent, ahead of 95 last year, but equal to the five-year average. Winter wheat headed was 83 percent, well ahead of 56 last year and 77 average. Winter wheat coloring was 8 percent, ahead of 1 last year, but behind 17 average.

Corn conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 24 fair, 59 good, and 11 excellent. Corn emerged was 98 percent, ahead of 90 last year, but near 96 average.

Soybeans conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 25 fair, 61 good, and 8 excellent. Soybeans emerged was 92 percent, well ahead of 68 last year and 81 average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 48 fair, 45 good, and 6 excellent. Sorghum planted was at 91 percent, ahead of 81 last year and 82 average. Sorghum emerged was 34 percent, behind 46 last year and 54 average.

Oat conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 19 poor, 36 fair, 41 good, and 1 excellent. Oats jointing was 41 percent. Oats headed was 27 percent, ahead of 18 last year, but behind 37 average.

Dry beans planted was 63 percent, ahead of 57 last year and 59 average. Dry beans emerged was 15 percent, ahead of 11 last year, but behind 17 average.

Proso millet planted was 15 percent, behind 36 last year and 29 average.

Alfalfa hay conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 9 poor, 39 fair, 44 good, and 6 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was 50 percent complete, well ahead of 27 last year, but behind the average of 56.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 10 percent very poor, 15 poor, 36 fair, 36 good, and 3 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 4 percent very short, 10 short, 84 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and UNL Extension Service.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2014/CropProg-06-09-2014.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=NE®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?NE>

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