



News Release

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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, June 29, 2015 - For the week ending June 28, 2015, rainfall of one inch or more was recorded in portions of north central Nebraska as well as southeastern areas, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Temperatures averaged near normal. Storms brought hail to parts of the Panhandle. Irrigation activities were underway with pipe being laid in southern counties and pivots running in others. Late planting of low lying areas was near completion. Overall, it was a productive week of spraying, hilling and hay harvest. There were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 10 short, 75 adequate, and 12 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 12 short, 74 adequate, and 10 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 24 fair, 58 good, and 12 excellent. Corn silking was at 1 percent, equal to last year, and near the five-year average of 4.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 32 fair, 62 good, and 5 excellent. Sorghum emerged was at 94 percent, near 90 last year and 95 average.

Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 24 fair, 57 good, and 11 excellent. Soybeans emerged was at 92 percent, behind 100 last year and 99 average. Blooming was at 10 percent, behind 20 last year, but near 9 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 15 percent very poor, 19 poor, 30 fair, 34 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat coloring was at 85 percent, ahead of 76 last year and 75 average. Mature was at 41 percent, well ahead of 17 last year and 24 average. Harvested was at 1 percent, ahead of 0 last year, but behind 11 average.

Oats condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 25 fair, 61 good, and 6 excellent. Oats headed was at 93 percent, ahead of 74 last year and 87 average. Coloring was at 29 percent, near 28 last year.

Alfalfa condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 24 fair, 59 good, and 13 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was at 86 percent, behind 94 for both last year and average. Second cutting was at 15 percent, behind 23 last year and 25 average.

Proso millet planted was at 76 percent, well ahead of 54 last year, but behind 85 average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 0 percent very poor, 4 poor, 24 fair, 63 good, and 9 excellent. Dry edible beans planted was at 96 percent, near 99 for both last year and average. Emerged was at 76 percent, behind 94 last year and 91 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 18 fair, 63 good, and 14 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 5 short, 87 adequate, and 6 surplus.

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

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

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2015/CropProg-06-29-2015.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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