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## NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, August 3, 2015 - For the week ending August 2, 2015, most of Nebraska received one inch of rain or less, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The lack of rainfall contributed to dryland stress in some areas, although irrigated crops continued to fare well. Temperatures averaged near-normal. There were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 6 percent very short, 26 short, 64 adequate, and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 6 percent very short, 22 short, 69 adequate, and 3 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 19 fair, 57 good, and 18 excellent. Corn silking was at 94 percent, near 93 for both last year and the five-year average. Dough was at 23 percent, behind 39 last year and 33 average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 27 fair, 61 good, and 10 excellent. Sorghum headed was at 56 percent, near 53 last year, but ahead of 42 average. Sorghum coloring was at 3 percent, behind 14 last year, but equal to the average.

Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 21 fair, 57 good, and 16 excellent. Soybeans blooming was at 89 percent, equal to both last year and the average. Setting pods was at 54 percent, behind 66 last year, but near 51 average.

Winter wheat harvested was 93 percent, near 91 last year, and equal to the average.

Oats condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 24 fair, 61 good, and 7 excellent. Oats mature was at 93 percent, near 95 last year. Harvested was at 76 percent, near 79 last year, but behind 87 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 28 fair, 55 good, and 12 excellent. Alfalfa second cutting was at 88 percent, behind 93 for both last year and the average. Third cutting was at 32 percent, behind 45 last year, but near 35 average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 20 fair, 67 good, and 9 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was at 77 percent, ahead of 67 last year, and near 74 average. Setting pods was at 48 percent, well ahead of 21 last year and 27 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 23 fair, 58 good, and 11 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 9 short, 87 adequate, and 2 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-08-03-2015.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&region=HPRCC](http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=NE&region=HPRCC)

*Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:*

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

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