



Nebraska Weather and Crops



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Agricultural Summary: For the week ending November 18, 2007, the fourth straight week of dry weather combined with unseasonably warm temperatures allowed corn harvest to progress near completion, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. Corn harvest remained ahead of last year and average. In the west, producers were being encouraged to irrigate wheat due to the dry conditions. Other activities around the state included moving cattle to stalk fields, fall tillage, and applying fertilizer.

Weather Summary: Temperatures averaged eight degrees above normal across the state. The Southwest District had the biggest variance in temperature with highs in the upper 70's and lows in the single digits. Precipitation was absent across the majority of the state with only traces in a few districts.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable For Fieldwork: Nebraska, Week Ending November 18, 2007

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	This	Last	Last	Aver-			
	Week	Week	Year	age			
	Percent						
Topsoil							
Very Short	9	10	11	18			
Short	30	24	31	33			
Adequate	59	65	57	48			
Surplus	2	1	1	1			
Subsoil							
Very Short	10	12	20	35			
Short	26	26	38	37			
Adequate	63	61	42	28			
Surplus	1	1	0	0			
Days Suitable	6.8	7.0	5.9	5.6			

Field Crops Report: Corn harvested was 97 percent complete, 8 days ahead of last year's 92 and 5 days ahead of the 92 average.

Sorghum harvest was 98 percent complete, ahead of the 95 of last year and average.

Winter wheat conditions moved lower and rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 40 fair, 50 good, and 4 excellent, below last year's 59 percent good or excellent rating.

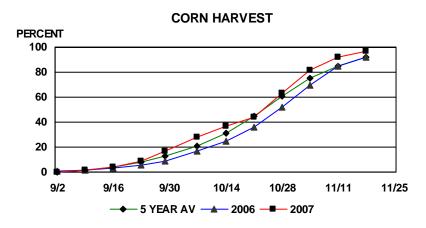
Crop Progress: Nebraska, Week Ending November 18, 2007

Crop	This	Last	Last	Aver-
•	Week	Week	Year	age
	Percent			
Corn Harvested	97	92	92	92
Sorghum Harvested	98	92	95	95

Crop Condition: Nebraska, Week Ending November 18, 2007

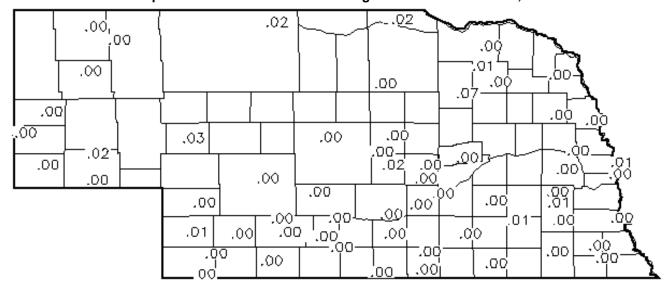
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel- Lent
			Percent		
Winter Wheat	1	5	40	50	4

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/cmts_cur.htm



PROGRESS AS OF SUNDAY

Precipitation in Inches for Week Ending 8:00 a.m. November 18, 2007



Precipitation: By District, Nebraska, April 1 - November 18, 2007

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Item	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.00	.01	.01	.00	.01	.00	.00	.00
Total since April 1	11.43	23.94	31.77	28.72	31.22	21.50	25.41	32.23
Normal since April 1	14.09	18.29	22.26	20.40	24.12	17.27	20.05	25.18
Total as % of normal	80%	130%	143%	140%	129%	123%	126%	127%

Temperature: By Location, Nebraska,

Week Ending Sunday, November 18, 2007								
		Temperature						
	Station	Exti	remes	-				
		High	Low	Average	Departure			
NW	Alliance	69	9	44	+8			
	Scottsbluff	72	11	46	+11			
	Sidney	72	13	45	+9			
NC	Ainsworth	70	19	46	+9			
	Arthur	75	17	46	+9			
	O'Neill	71	19	45	+8			
NE	Concord	63	21	42	+4			
	Elgin	66	25	45	+7			
	West Point	65	22	42	+4			
C	Grand Island	70	21	45	+8			
	Lexington	72	17	45	+8			
	Ord	71	19	46	+8			
EC	Central City	70	20	45	+7			
	Lincoln	67	29	46	+6			
	Mead	67	23	43	+4			
SW	Champion	79	9	44	+7			
	Dickens	76	12	46	+9			
	McCook	74	14	46	+9			
SC	Minden	71	18	45	+8			
	Red Cloud	69	21	47	+9			
	Smithfield	70	20	46	+9			
SE	Beatrice	72	22	46	+7			
	Clay Center	70	20	45	+7			
	Nemaha	67	29	48	+8			

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