



Nebraska Weather and Crops

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Agricultural Summary: For the week ending November 25, 2007, a warm start to the week, along with no measurable precipitation, allowed harvest to finish in most areas, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. A light snow fell in some areas of the state towards the end of the week, but left behind little moisture. Drought continues in western counties with wind erosion a concern. Farmers continue to disc, shred and bale stalks, and fertilize harvested fields. Cattle are out of pastures and in dry lots or on harvested fields.

Weather Summary: Temperatures averaged two degrees below normal across the state. The Southwest District had the biggest variance in temperature with highs in the low 80's and lows in the single digits. Several districts reported only traces of precipitation.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 38 fair, 50 good, and 5 excellent, below last year's 60 percent good or excellent rating.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable: Nebraska, Week Ending November 25, 2006

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average ¹
<i>Percent</i>				
Topsoil				
Very Short	9	9	13	
Short	35	30	34	
Adequate	55	59	53	
Surplus	1	2	0	
Subsoil				
Very Short	11	10	20	
Short	26	26	39	
Adequate	62	63	41	
Surplus	1	1	0	
Days Suitable	6.2	6.8	6.6	

¹ Data not available.

Crop Condition: Nebraska, Week Ending November 25, 2006

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
<i>Percent</i>					
Winter Wheat	1	6	38	50	5

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

LAST WEEKLY WEATHER & CROPS FOR 2007

This is the last Weekly Weather and Crops report for the 2007 growing season. We would like to extend our appreciation to the dedicated FSA county directors and county extension educators 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 2008 season.

Happy Holidays,

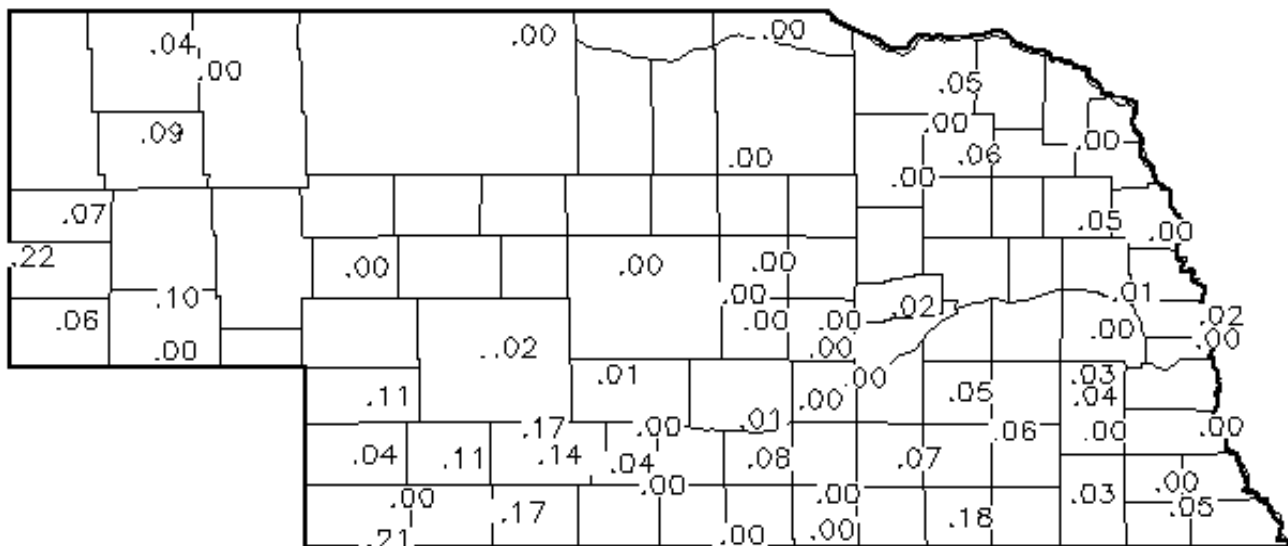
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Precipitation in Inches for Week Ending 8:00 a.m. November 25, 2007



Precipitation: By District, Nebraska, April 1 – November 25, 2007

Item	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.08	.00	.03	.00	.03	.13	.07	.07
Total since April 1	11.51	23.94	31.80	28.72	31.24	21.62	25.48	32.30
Normal since April 1	14.20	18.47	22.50	20.61	24.40	17.43	20.25	25.48
Total as % of normal	80%	129%	141%	139%	128%	123%	125%	126%

**Temperature: By Location, Nebraska,
Week Ending Sunday, November 25, 2007**

Station	Temperature				
	Extremes		Average	Departure	
	High	Low			
NW	Alliance	76	4	28	-5
	Scottsbluff	77	5	29	-4
	Sidney	80	4	29	-4
NC	Ainsworth	57	12	31	-2
	Arthur	80	9	32	-2
	O'Neill	57	10	32	-2
NE	Concord	59	10	31	-3
	Elgin	64	9	32	-3
	West Point	68	10	32	-4
C	Grand Island	79	14	34	0
	Lexington	80	9	32	-2
	Ord	73	9	34	0
EC	Central City	79	10	33	-2
	Lincoln	78	12	34	-3
	Mead	78	8	32	-5
SW	Champion	83	5	29	-5
	Dickens	80	7	31	-3
	McCook	80	8	33	-1
SC	Minden	81	8	33	-1
	Red Cloud	80	10	34	0
	Smithfield	78	11	33	-1
SE	Beatrice	76	8	33	-3
	Clay Center	80	8	32	-2
	Nemaha	76	11	35	-2

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