



Nebraska Weather and Crops

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Agricultural Summary: For the week ending November 20, 2011, snow in portions of the west and south slowed final wrap up of fall harvest, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. Statewide, corn harvest averaged 97 percent complete with progress near 80 percent in the Panhandle. Sorghum harvest progress was virtually complete at 98 percent. Fall tillage continued with anhydrous ammonia applications active. Soil moisture supplies continued below average for this time of year.

Weather Summary: Temperatures for the week averaged 3 degrees below normal for the state. High temperatures were mainly in the 60's and lows dipped into the single digits. The eastern half of the state was dry with snow being recorded in the Panhandle, Southwest and South Central counties.

Field Crops Report: Corn harvest was at 97 percent, behind 99 last year but two weeks ahead of 85 average.

Sorghum harvested was 98 percent, near 99 last year but well ahead of 85 average.

Winter Wheat conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 20 fair, 69 good, and 10 excellent, well above 45 percent good to excellent last year and 62 average.

Crop Progress: Nebraska, Week Ending November 20, 2011

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average
<i>Percent</i>				
Corn Harvested	97	95	99	85
Sorghum Harvested	98	92	99	85

**Soil Moisture and Days Suitable:
Nebraska, Week Ending November 20, 2011**

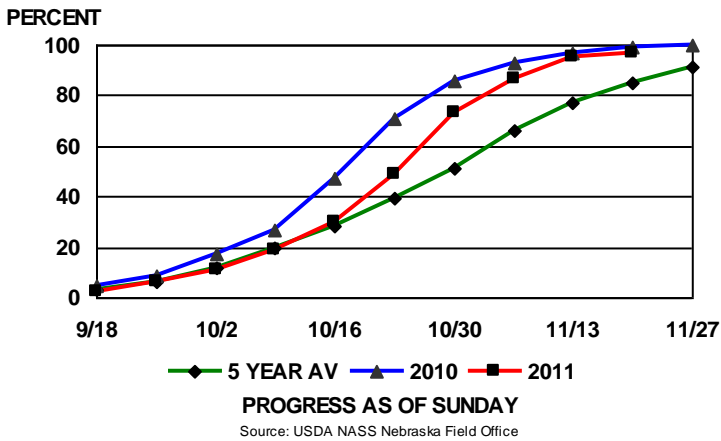
	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average
<i>Percent</i>				
Topsoil				
Very Short	5	6	11	7
Short	36	36	39	23
Adequate	59	57	49	68
Surplus	0	1	1	2
Subsoil				
Very Short	4	5	9	8
Short	33	34	34	24
Adequate	62	60	56	66
Surplus	1	1	1	2
Days Suitable	6.3	6.2	5.4	5.8

Crop Condition: Nebraska, Week Ending November 20, 2011

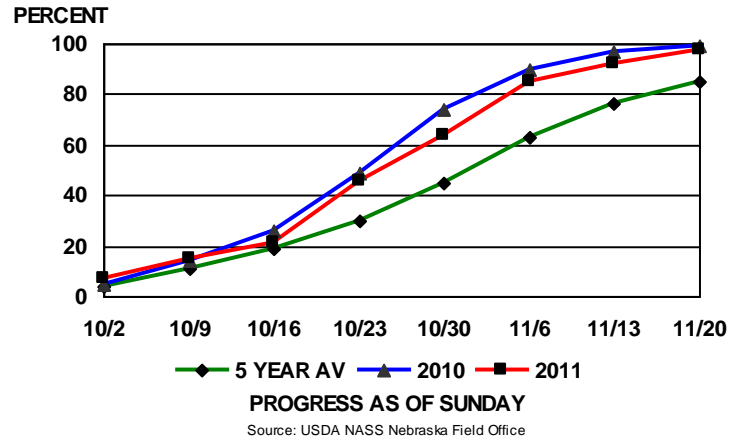
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
<i>Percent</i>					
Winter Wheat	0	1	20	69	10

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/NEcurrent.asp

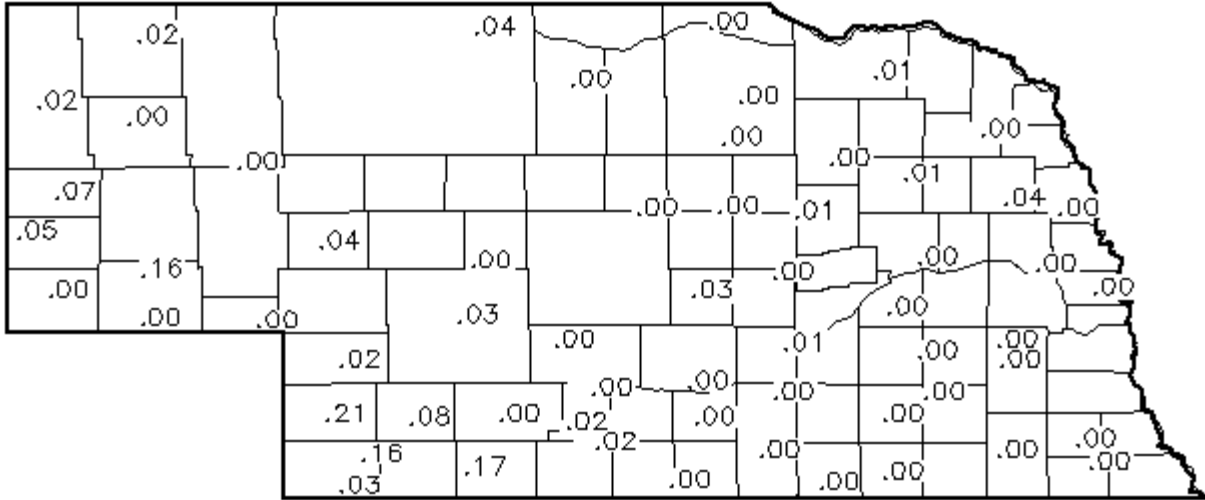
NEBRASKA CORN HARVEST



NEBRASKA SORGHUM HARVEST



Precipitation in Inches for Week Ending 8:00 a.m. November 20, 2011



Precipitation: By District, Nebraska, November 14 – November 20, 2011

Item	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.03	.01	.01	.01	.00	.08	.02	.00
Total since April 1	19.09	23.68	22.39	26.20	26.07	22.24	25.60	23.37
Normal since April 1	14.04	18.60	22.23	21.18	24.10	17.02	21.00	25.31
Total as % of normal	135%	127%	101%	124%	108%	131%	122%	92%

**Temperature: By Location, Nebraska,
Week Ending Sunday, November 20, 2011**

Station	Temperature				
	Extremes		Average	Departure	
	High	Low			
NW	Alliance	58	9	30	-5
	Scottsbluff	60	11	34	-1
	Sidney	64	12	33	-3
NC	Ainsworth	56	10	32	-4
	Arthur	64	13	32	-4
	O'Neill	57	8	32	-5
NE	Concord	56	8	31	-6
	Elgin	58	8	33	-4
	West Point	57	13	33	-5
C	Grand Island	60	12	34	-3
	Lexington	60	10	32	-4
	Ord	61	7	32	-4
EC	Central City	60	11	34	-3
	Lincoln	59	17	39	+1
	Mead	59	15	37	-2
SW	Champion	73	10	33	-3
	Dickens	68	11	32	-4
	McCook	63	10	33	-3
SC	Minden	60	11	34	-3
	Red Cloud	61	15	37	0
	Smithfield	60	12	33	-3
SE	Beatrice	59	16	38	-1
	Clay Center	60	10	34	-2
	Nemaha	61	20	41	+3

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