



News Release

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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, June 23, 2014 -- For the week ending June 22, 2014, warm, wet conditions prevailed over much of the eastern two thirds of the state, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Rainfall totaling 2 to 3 inches was common in central counties with up to 6 inches reported in the extreme northeast causing lowland flooding. Storm damage was reported with losses of crops, livestock, irrigation equipment and farm grain storage. Alfalfa second cutting advanced but was slowed due to rainfall. Pastures continue to show improvement. The number of days considered suitable for fieldwork were 4.3. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 17 short, 73 adequate, and 7 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 10 percent very short, 22 short, 65 adequate, and 3 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat conditions rated 6 percent very poor, 16 poor, 32 fair, 42 good, and 4 excellent. Winter wheat headed was 99 percent, near 97 last year and 98 average. Winter wheat coloring was 62 percent, well ahead of 35 last year, and 52 average. Winter wheat mature was 4 percent, ahead of 1 last year, but behind 13 average.

Corn conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 25 fair, 54 good, and 14 excellent.

Soybeans conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 24 fair, 59 good, and 10 excellent. Soybeans blooming was at 11 percent, ahead of 0 last year and 2 average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 41 fair, 50 good, and 7 excellent. Sorghum emerged was 83 percent, behind 88 last year and 90 average. Sorghum headed was 1 percent, near 0 last year and 0 average.

Oat condition rated 3 percent very poor, 18 poor, 34 fair, 44 good, and 1 excellent. Oats jointing was 90 percent. Oats headed was 66 percent, behind 73 last year and 80 average. Oats coloring was at 13 percent.

Dry Beans condition rated 4 percent very poor, 2 poor, 19 fair, 58 good, and 17 excellent. Dry beans planted was 97 percent, equal to last year and near 95 average. Dry beans emerged was 86 percent, ahead of 78 last year and 71 average.

Proso millet planted was 45 percent, well behind 95 last year and 73 average.

Alfalfa hay conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 37 fair, 47 good, and 7 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was 87 percent complete, ahead of 81 last year, but near the average of 86. Alfalfa hay second cutting was 12 percent complete, ahead of 2 last year, but near 14 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 8 percent very poor, 12 poor, 35 fair, 40 good, and 5 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 4 percent very short, 6 short, 87 adequate, and 3 surplus.

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

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

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2014/CropProg-06-23-2014.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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