



News Release

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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, July 6, 2015 - For the week ending July 5, 2015, rainfall of one inch or more was common across much of the northern half of Nebraska, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Temperatures averaged above normal in the western half of the State but below normal in the east. Wheat harvest was underway in south central and southwestern counties, but rain delayed harvest in parts of the southeast. There were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 16 short, 72 adequate, and 9 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 14 short, 74 adequate, and 8 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 22 fair, 58 good, and 14 excellent. Corn silking was at 5 percent, near 7 last year, but behind the five-year average of 12.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 31 fair, 63 good, and 5 excellent. Sorghum emerged was at 96 percent, near 99 for both last year and the average.

Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 24 fair, 56 good, and 13 excellent. Soybeans emerged was at 95 percent, behind 100 for both last year and the average. Blooming was at 29 percent, behind 36 last year, but ahead of 23 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 15 percent very poor, 19 poor, 30 fair, 34 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat coloring was at 93 percent, ahead of 84 last year, but near 90 average. Mature was at 65 percent, well ahead of 34 last year and 42 average. Harvested was at 18 percent, ahead of 11 last year, but behind 24 average.

Oats condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 24 fair, 62 good, and 6 excellent. Oats headed was at 96 percent, ahead of 85 last year, but near 94 average. Coloring was at 59 percent, ahead of 43 last year.

Alfalfa condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 24 fair, 58 good, and 14 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was at 94 percent, near 95 last year and 97 average. Second cutting was at 28 percent, behind 35 last year and 39 average.

Proso millet planted was at 94 percent, well ahead of 61 last year, but near 91 average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 20 fair, 70 good, and 7 excellent. Dry edible beans emerged was at 92 percent, behind 98 for both last year and the average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 17 fair, 64 good, and 13 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 5 short, 87 adequate, and 6 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-07-06-2015.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®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

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

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