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## NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**Lincoln, NE** – For the week ending September 25, 2016, temperatures averaged nine degrees above normal across eastern Nebraska and six degrees above normal across western areas, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The above normal temperatures hastened emergence of winter wheat and dry down of fall crops. Precipitation of an inch or more was limited to the eastern third of the State and portions of the Panhandle. Seed corn and silage harvests were winding to a close. Dry bean and sugarbeet harvests were active. There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 7 percent very short, 24 short, 64 adequate, and 5 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 7 percent very short, 25 short, 65 adequate, and 3 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 20 fair, 57 good, and 17 excellent. Corn mature was 69 percent, ahead of 60 last year and the five-year average of 61. Harvested was 7 percent, near 9 last year, and behind 13 average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 14 fair, 61 good, and 24 excellent. Sorghum mature was 63 percent, ahead of 52 last year, and well ahead of 40 average. Harvested was 11 percent, ahead of 2 both last year and average.

Soybeans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 19 fair, 59 good, and 18 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 75 percent, near 74 last year, and ahead of 68 average. Harvested was 9 percent, near 10 both last year and average.

Winter wheat planted was 72 percent, ahead of 63 last year and 61 average. Emerged was 42 percent, well ahead of 20 last year and 21 average.

Alfalfa fourth cutting was 71 percent, behind 87 last year and 78 average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 33 fair, 55 good, and 9 excellent. Dry edible beans dropping leaves was 95 percent, equal to last year, and near 93 average. Harvested was 51 percent, behind 62 last year, and near 55 average.

Proso millet harvested was 57 percent, well behind 82 last year, and behind 65 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 8 poor, 25 fair, 56 good, and 8 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 10 short, 88 adequate, and 1 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/2016/CropProg-09-26-2016.pdf>

*Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:*

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

*Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:*

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

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