

# Nebraska Wheat Crop Report

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### USDA Crop Progress Report for the week ending June 21, 2020

Topsoil moisture supplies rated 8% very short, 30% short, 59% adequate, and 3% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 4% very short, 21% short, 72% adequate, and 3% surplus. Winter wheat condition rated 3% very poor, 10% poor, 25% fair, 58% good, and 4% excellent. Winter wheat headed was 96%, ahead of 91% last year, but near 98% average.

#### Northern Panhandle

The northern panhandle of Nebraska went another week with minimal rain. There were some reports of showers producing .50", though they were scattered. The soil moisture continues to deplete as we get nearer to harvest. The wheat crop continues to progress with some fields starting to turn. Producers predict an average crop. Harvest is predicted to begin around the July 10th timeframe. There are no disease or pests reported in the area.

J/J	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th	1st
High	89	81	88	97	90	90	86
Low	57	55	60	62	61	60	59

- 4" soil moisture: 11-19%      - 20" soil moisture: 12-18%  
- 10" soil moisture: 13-20%      - 40" soil moisture: 4-19%

#### Southern Panhandle

Producers in the southern panhandle reported weather conditions to be dry this past week with the heat expected to rise again this week. The wheat crop is in the soft dough stage. Some wheat fields are still 100% green while others have been quickly turning. Some fields vary in stages via appearance with producers predicting the freezes to have caused this difference. There have been no disease or pests reported in the area, though producers will begin looking for sawfly as it gets closer to harvest. Harvest is predicted to be 10 days to 2 weeks away.

J/J	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th	1st
High	96	83	89	100	93	92	89
Low	57	56	60	61	61	60	60

- 4" soil moisture: 3-22%      - 20" soil moisture: 7-29%  
- 10" soil moisture: 12-31%      - 40" soil moisture: 8-34%

#### Southwest

The southwest region of the state received some spotty moisture over the past week with producers reporting anywhere from 1/2- 1" of rain. They are also forecasted to receive a little more later this week. There is noticeable damage in the fields from the late freezes Nebraska experienced and producers are predicting drops in yield because of it. It has been noted that some of the kernels seem to be smaller and shriveled due to the stress put on the crop this year. There have been no reports of disease or pests in the area. Producers predict harvest to be 7 to 10 days out.

J/J	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th	1st
High	94	87	90	98	97	95	93
Low	65	61	66	69	69	68	66

- 4" soil moisture: 7-29%      - 20" soil moisture: 13-26%  
- 10" soil moisture: 16-18%      - 40" soil moisture: 12-31%

#### South Central

Producers in south central Nebraska have reported minimal rain over the past week with some extreme heat and a lot of wind. It was noted that if no moisture is received, the area may see some shriveled kernels. There have not been any reports of disease or pests in the area. Producers are waiting for it to mature, planning on harvest to begin within the next 7-10 days.

J/J	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th	1st
High	91	85	88	90	92	91	89
Low	67	62	67	70	70	69	67

- 4" soil moisture: 18-36%      - 20" soil moisture: 14-39%  
- 10" soil moisture: 23-37%      - 40" soil moisture: 13-40%

#### Southeast

The southeast region of the state saw scattered rain amounts this past week. Some areas reported upwards of 5 inches while others received a little over 1 inch. Producers have reported the crop to be in the final stages of kernel filling. Some scab has made itself present in some varieties. Barley yellow dwarf remains present, though stripe rust seems to have died out during the heat wave. Producers are predicting harvest to begin around July 4th or a little after.

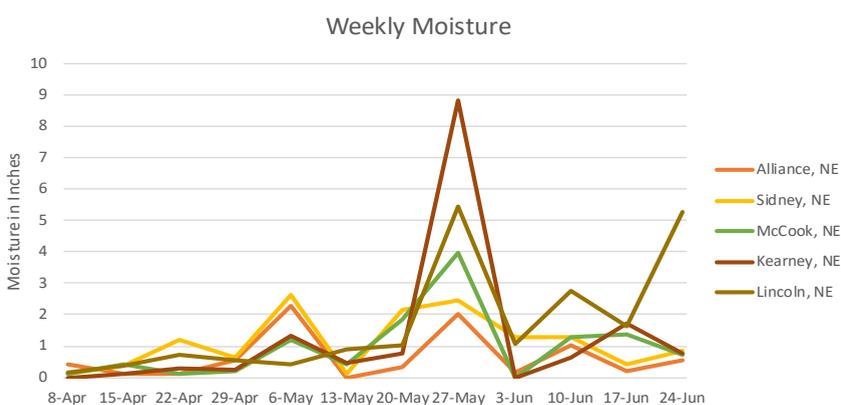
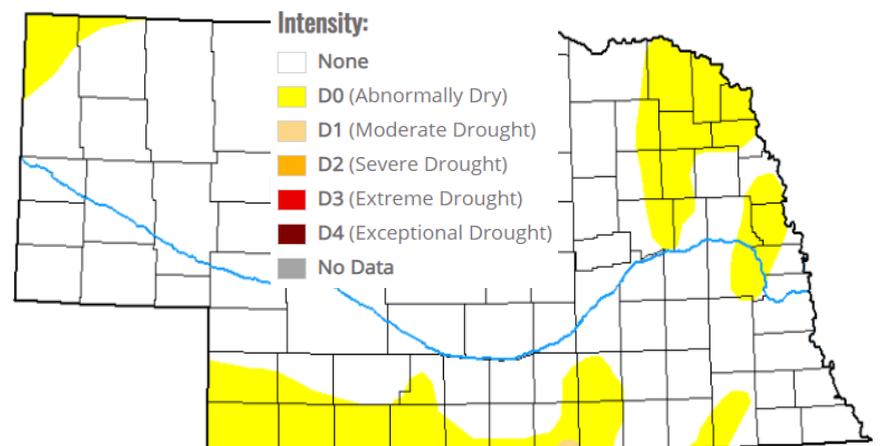
J/J	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th	1st
High	92	88	87	90	93	93	88
Low	72	67	70	74	73	74	71

- 4" soil moisture: 11-41%      - 20" soil moisture: 25-41%  
- 10" soil moisture: 27-41%      - 40" soil moisture: 21-39%

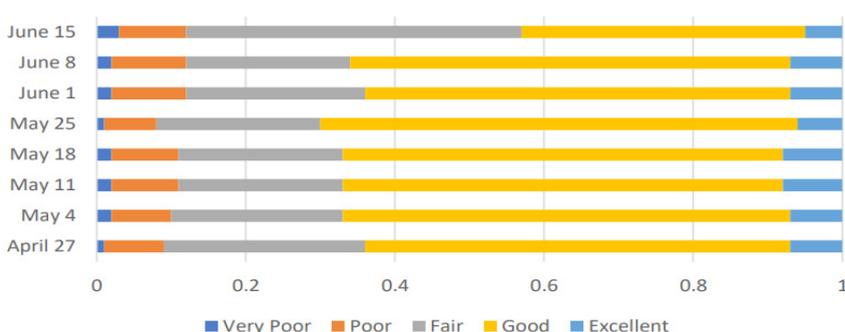
### Producers attending grower hosted field days near Hemingford, NE



Nebraska Drought Monitor  
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#### Winter Wheat Condition



#### Winter Wheat Headed

