

Nebraska Wheat Crop Report

April 12, 2023



USDA Crop Progress Report for the week ending April 09, 2023

Winter wheat condition rated 10% very poor, 31% poor, 36% fair, 20% good, and 3% excellent. Topsoil moisture condition rated 25% very short, 39% short, 35% adequate, and 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture condition rated 37% very short, 40% short, 23% adequate, and 0% surplus.

Northern Panhandle

The northern panhandle of the state is currently experiencing warmer than normal temperatures for this time of year. Producers reported 9 inches to 2 feet of topsoil moisture and there is some moisture in the forecast. The wheat is beginning to come out of dormancy and starting to green. Some of the crop that didn't germinate last fall is beginning to sprout, however, it is too early to predict the condition. Producers reported that it is a decent start to the crop with 50% good to excellent, 25% poor and 25% very poor.

Weather Temperatures - Alliance, NE

| April | 13 th | 14 th | 15 th | 16 th | 17 th | 18 th | 19 th |
|-------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| High | 75 | 51 | 54 | 64 | 72 | 71 | 71 |
| Low | 36 | 27 | 27 | 34 | 39 | 40 | 38 |

Southern Panhandle

The southern panhandle of Nebraska has been seeing much of their wheat crop come out of dormancy this past week with most standing out of the furrow. Conditions are quite variable in the region. Moisture has been good with producers reporting approximately 2 feet of subsoil moisture. There is also potential of rain in the forecast. Next week is looking promising for the wheat to continue to come out of dormancy and grow.

Weather Temperatures - Sidney, NE

| April | 13 th | 14 th | 15 th | 16 th | 17 th | 18 th | 19 th |
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| High | 80 | 49 | 55 | 65 | 73 | 69 | 70 |
| Low | 36 | 27 | 27 | 34 | 39 | 40 | 38 |

Southwest

The southwest corner of the state has experienced moderate to warmer temps recently. Although temperatures still are dropping to the 20's in the evenings, they are expected to rise. The topsoil was reported adequate, but the subsoil is short of moisture. Producers reported that the wheat crop is beginning to green up and continuing to grow. Crop condition was reported 30% good to excellent, and 10% poor to very poor.

Weather Temperatures - McCook, NE

| April | 13 th | 14 th | 15 th | 16 th | 17 th | 18 th | 19 th |
|-------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| High | 89 | 62 | 60 | 68 | 76 | 70 | 74 |
| Low | 51 | 37 | 33 | 38 | 44 | 45 | 45 |

Southeast

Producers in southeastern Nebraska reported a disappointing crop so far. The crop condition reported was 60% poor to very poor and 40% fair. Southeastern Nebraska is lacking moisture coupled with recent warm temperatures. The topsoil is powdery with slight moisture 4-6 inches below and an adequate to short subsoil.

Weather Temperatures - Lincoln, NE

| April | 13 th | 14 th | 15 th | 16 th | 17 th | 18 th | 19 th |
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| High | 88 | 81 | 57 | 65 | 72 | 72 | 74 |
| Low | 57 | 43 | 37 | 37 | 44 | 44 | 48 |

South Central

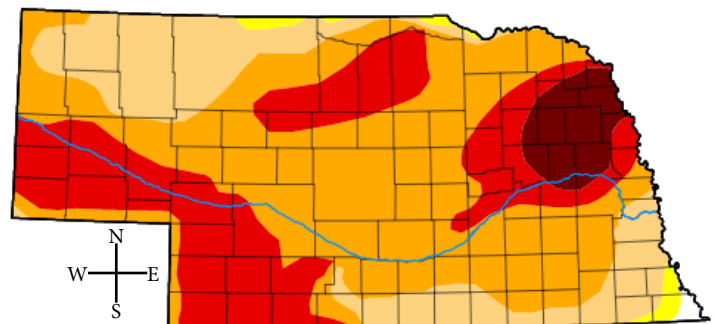
South central Nebraska is experiencing some steps backwards with progression of the crop. Compared to a couple weeks ago, progression has declined due to recent warm temperatures, high winds, and little moisture. Producers reported the crop condition to be 20% good, 25% fair, and 55% poor. The consensus was that moisture was much needed.

Weather Temperatures - Kearney, NE

| April | 13 th | 14 th | 15 th | 16 th | 17 th | 18 th | 19 th |
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| High | 86 | 71 | 58 | 66 | 73 | 71 | 73 |
| Low | 55 | 38 | 34 | 38 | 43 | 44 | 45 |

Nebraska Drought Monitor

Map Released: April 6th, 2023



- None
- D0 (Abnormally Dry)
- D1 (Moderate Drought)
- D2 (Severe Drought)
- D3 (Extreme Drought)
- D4 (Exceptional Drought)
- No Data