Nebraska Wheat Crop Report April 26, 2023

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

Winter wheat condition rated 15% very poor, 27% poor, 37% fair, 19% good, and 2% excellent. Topsoil moisture condition rated 27% very short, 44% short, 29% adequate, and 0% surplus. Subsoil moisture condition rated 39% very short, 40% short, 21% adequate, and 0% surplus.

Northern Panhandle

The northern panhandle is experiencing cooler temperatures but is considered normal for the time of year. The region experienced recent freezing temperatures in the evenings but is expected to not have much affect on the crop. Conditions are variable in the region with producers reporting 50% good, 25% poor and 25% very poor. Topsoil moisture was reported short and subsoil very short.

Weather Temperatures - Alliance, NE									
April/May	27^{th}	28^{th}	29^{th}	30^{th}	1 st	2 nd	3 rd		
		57		63		75	81		
Low	32	32	32	30	36	44	45		

Southern Panhandle

The southern panhandle region reported variable conditions. Producers reported that overall, the crop is looking good. Some of the wheat has struggled due to high winds back in December before snow cover. Producers are hoping for moisture soon as the snow melt is beginning to dry up. Without moisture soon the crop could begin to decline.

Weather Temperatures - Sidney, NE									
April/May	27^{th}	28^{th}	29^{th}	30^{th}	1 st	2 nd	3 rd		
High Low	67 34		69 36		66 38	73 45	79 46		

Southwest

The southwest region of Nebraska received some much-needed moisture in the past week. The rain helped with the topsoil moisture and covered a fair area of the region. Temperatures have been cooler than normal and dropped down to freezing temperatures in the evenings but shouldn't have any affect on the crop. Crop conditions were reported 30% good to excellent and 10% poor to very poor.

Weather Temperatures - McCook, NE									
April/May	27^{th}	28^{th}	29^{th}	30^{th}	1 st	2 nd	3 rd		
High Low	70 40	60 33	73 37	66 33	67 36	75 45	83 50		

Southcentral

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Southcentral Nebraska is experiencing very dry conditions with little to no moisture in the past couple weeks. Crop conditions have declined being reported 10% good, 30% poor, and 60% very poor. Harvested acres are looking slim in the region due to little moisture. The topsoil is very dry and powdery while the subsoil is rated short to very short.

Weather Temperatures - Kearney, NE									
April/May	27^{th}	28^{th}	29^{th}	30^{th}	1 st	2 nd	3 rd		
High	70	59	71	62	65	73	80		
Low	41	34	35	30	33	44	51		

Southeast

The southeastern region received some precipitation recently which has improved the topsoil moisture. However, the crop has struggled and most fields are thinning. The wheat that is left is continuing to grow and will hopefully continue to thrive. Temperatures have recently dropped to freezing in the evenings but have shown no harm to the crop.

Weather Temperatures - Lincoln, NE									
April/May	27^{th}	28^{th}	29^{th}	30^{th}	1 st	2 nd	3 rd		
High Low	73 48	58 38	73 41		65 35	74 44	83 55		

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