

Nebraska Wheat Crop Report

June 8, 2023



USDA Crop Progress Report for the week ending May 28, 2023

Winter wheat condition rated 19% very poor, 25% poor, 28% fair, 27% good, and 1% excellent. Winter wheat headed 61%. Topsoil moisture condition rated 21% very short, 32% short, 44% adequate, and 3% surplus. Subsoil moisture condition rated 28% very short, 43% short, 29% adequate, and 0% surplus.

Northern Panhandle

The northern panhandle has not received as much moisture as other regions in the state. The wheat conditions are variable in the area. Many acres have been abandoned for other crops while others have potential for a quality yield. The wheat acres that are left are continuing to thrive, but the region could use more moisture.

Weather Temperatures - Alliance, NE

June	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th
High	84	74	71	71	73	78	82
Low	55	50	47	49	50	52	51

Southcentral

The southcentral region of the state reported that roughly 40% of the wheat in the region was destroyed due to winter kill and drought conditions. The wheat that is left is very thin. However, the region has received consistent moisture which has maintained the wheat crop that is left. Producers are predicting a 40 bu/ac crop at best.

Weather Temperatures - Kearney, NE

June	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th
High	86	82	73	77	81	79	86
Low	62	59	52	55	57	57	60

Southern Panhandle

The southern panhandle has had consistent moisture which is improving drought conditions. The wheat is behind according to a normal year but is continuing to grow. Producers reported that the wheat seems to be about 2 weeks behind the normal growth schedule and are expecting a late harvest. Diseases and weeds have so far not been reported.

Weather Temperatures - Sidney, NE

June	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th
High	83	75	69	69	70	76	81
Low	54	53	50	51	50	53	53

Southeast

The eastern region of the state is still struggling from drought. The wheat that is left after abandonment in the eastern region of the state is reported to be poor to very poor. The region has not received much rain compared to other parts of the state. There have been no signs of weeds or diseases so far. However, there is a concern for weeds due to thinning and little canopy.

Weather Temperatures - Lincoln, NE

June	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th
High	87	84	75	80	84	85	89
Low	65	61	52	54	59	60	62

Southwest

The southwest region of the state has received moisture as well and has had improved wheat crop condition. The wheat is heading and has producers have reported fair to good condition on most of the wheat. There are some wheat acres that did not recover from winter kill and drought stress. Producers are expecting potentially a 50-60 bu/ac crop.

Weather Temperatures - McCook, NE

June	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th
High	87	82	74	74	76	77	86
Low	60	59	53	56	56	57	59

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