

Nebraska Wheat Crop Report

July 27, 2023



USDA Crop Progress Report for the week ending July 23, 2023

Winter wheat harvested is 43%, behind last year which was at 81% and 74% average. Topsoil moisture condition rated 12% very short, 32% short, 53% adequate, and 3% surplus. Subsoil moisture condition rated 23% very short, 35% short, 41% adequate, and 1% surplus.

Northern Panhandle

With a couple hot temperature days last week harvest has finally taken off. A local Co-op stated that protein levels are averaging 12% and the good wheat crop is producing over 50-60 bu/ac. Some producers have been delayed because harvest is still happening in KS and CO so there is limited custom harvest equipment available.

Weather Temperatures - Alliance, NE

July	27th	28th	29th	30th	31st	1st	2nd
High	97	94	89	96	89	84	85
Low	61	61	63	61	61	60	59

Southcentral

Southcentral Nebraska is close to wrapping up harvest, estimated at 90% finished. The crop has produced test weights that are better than expected, anywhere from 58 to 62 pounds. The rain the region was receiving has let up and the area is back to dry and drought like conditions. Storms with high winds have been present but never produced any rain.

Weather Temperatures - Kearney, NE

July	27th	28th	29th	30th	31st	1st	2nd
High	98	99	90	95	99	97	91
Low	71	69	68	73	70	69	66

Southern Panhandle

Wheat harvest is in full swing this week in the southern panhandle. High temps have helped ripen the crop and make for better harvest conditions, and yield is running from 50-70 bu/ac but test weights are lower than expected. Weed pressure in the stubble following harvest is significant due to earlier rain showers. Harvest should be wrapping up soon.

Weather Temperatures - Sidney, NE

July	27th	28th	29th	30th	31st	1st	2nd
High	96	96	90	98	93	87	86
Low	63	64	65	65	64	63	61

Southeast

Harvest in southeast Nebraska is complete and the region is experiencing high temperatures this week. As this region starts to focus on planting, conditions are dry and is in need of moisture.

Weather Temperatures - Lincoln, NE

July	27th	28th	29th	30th	31st	1st	2nd
High	99	99	92	95	98	97	92
Low	77	72	69	71	73	72	70

Southwest

In the southwest region harvest is estimated to be 70% complete and should be fully wrapped up by next week. Due to consistent precipitation there has been an occurrence of head blight which is uncommon. The yields are varying largely and have been reported anywhere from 20-70 bu/acre.

Weather Temperatures - McCook, NE

July	27th	28th	29th	30th	31st	1st	2nd
High	100	102	94	102	102	99	93
Low	70	69	69	73	70	69	66

Nebraska Drought Monitor

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