

# NEBRASKA WHEAT CROP REPORT

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According to the USDA Crop Progress Report for the week ending July 13, 2014, rain of an inch or more was common across much of the state with hail-producing storms damaging crops in portions of central and southern Nebraska. Temperatures were below normal across the north and east. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 2 percent very short, 21 percent short, 73 percent adequate and 4 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 8 percent very short, 21 percent short, 69 percent adequate and 2 percent surplus. Winter wheat conditions rated 6 percent very poor, 14 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 44 percent good and 7 percent excellent. Winter wheat mature was 65 percent, ahead of last year's 53 percent, but near the 64 percent average. Winter wheat harvested was 31 percent, ahead of last year's 27 percent, but behind the 40 percent average.

In the northern Panhandle, producers said they have not started harvesting, but there has been some test cutting the region. Producers said they expect harvest to begin early next week and the crop quality is fair to good. There have been some reports of sawfly in select areas.

In the southern Panhandle, some producers are finishing up harvest while others are expecting to begin harvest next week. For those who have been harvesting, 60 to 80 percent of the crop has been

harvested. Crop quality is good to excellent. Yields vary from 20 to 80 bushels per acre for dryland wheat. Moisture levels average 10 to 13 percent. Protein levels average 11 to 14 percent. Test weights average 61 to 65 pounds. There have been some reports of smut in select areas.

In the northern part of southwest Nebraska, producers are continuing to harvest, with some just starting this week. Isolated showers have delayed harvest in select areas. For those who have been harvesting, 30 to 80 percent of the crop has been harvested. Crop quality is good to excellent. Yields vary from 40 to 80 bushels per acre for dryland wheat. Moisture levels average 10 to 15 percent. Protein levels average 10 to 13 percent. Test weights average 61 to 65 pounds.

In the southwest corner of Nebraska, producers are nearing the completion of harvest and said 75 to 95 percent of the crop has been harvested. Yields vary from 10 to 80 bushels per acre for dryland wheat and 75 to 80 bushels per acre for irrigated wheat. Crop quality is fair to good. Moisture levels average 10 to 13 percent. Protein levels average 12.5 to 13.5 percent. Test weights average 60 to 62 pounds.

In the southeast corner of Nebraska, producers are still waiting to finish harvest after rain the past few days. 75 to 95 percent of the crop has been harvested. Yields vary from 10 to 60 bushels per acre. Moisture levels average 13.5 percent. Protein levels average 13 percent. Test weights average 60 pounds.

