

# NEBRASKA WHEAT CROP REPORT

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According to the USDA Crop Progress Report for the week ending July 22, 2018, topsoil moisture supplies rated 2 percent very short, 17 short, 75 adequate and 6 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 21 short, 72 adequate and 4 surplus. Winter wheat harvested was 82 percent, behind last year's 92 percent, but ahead of the 73 average.

In the northern Panhandle, continued showers slowed harvest progress. Producers said 60 to 90% of the region is harvested. More dryland acres have been harvested than irrigated acres. However, overnight showers have kept producers from entering fields until the afternoon and slowed progress. Yields for dryland fields ranged from 20 to 70 bushels per acre, but most yielded slightly above average. Irrigated yields ranged from 60 to 110 bushels per acre. Hailstorms last week dropped yields in affected regions. Losses varied from 20 to 100%. Most fields averaged in the 30 to 60% losses. Some of those losses were compounded by heavy rains that lodged fields infected with wheat stem sawfly. Protein ranged from 9 to 14, with most averaging in the 11s. Test weights were lower due to recent rains as well, ranging from 57 to 61, with most in the 58 and 59 pound range.

In the southern Panhandle, the eastern portion of the region ranged from 80 to 100% complete depending on planting dates and varieties. Final harvests were delayed by continued moisture keeping producers out of the fields during mornings. In the western portion of the region, producers said harvest was 60 to 75% complete. Rain delayed harvest in this region as well. Overall across the southern Panhandle, yields ranged from 0 (in hailed areas) to 70 bushels per acre dryland. Most fields averaged in the 40s. Proteins ranged from

8 to 14, with most averaging in the 10 to 12 range. Test weights on recently harvested wheat had dropped due to rainfall and ranged from 57 to 61. Producers across the region agreed it had been a long, drawn-out harvest due to weather. One producer said he'd started harvest on July 3 and didn't finish until July 22.

Producers in southwestern Nebraska reported harvest is complete. Most fields in the area averaged yields in the 40s. Test weights for the region ranged from 59-64 pounds, with most averaging 61. Protein for the region ranged from 9 to 14.5 with most falling in the 10-12 range.

Producers in south central Nebraska said the region is finished with harvest. Yields ranged from 40 to 70 bushels per acre. Test weights ranged from 60 to 62 pounds. The region did receive nearly 2 inches of rain in the last week, but most of it fell after harvest was finished.

Southeastern Nebraska's wheat harvest is complete. The region averaged yields in the mid 30s (drought stress during spring), protein in the 11s and 12s, and test weights of 60 pounds.

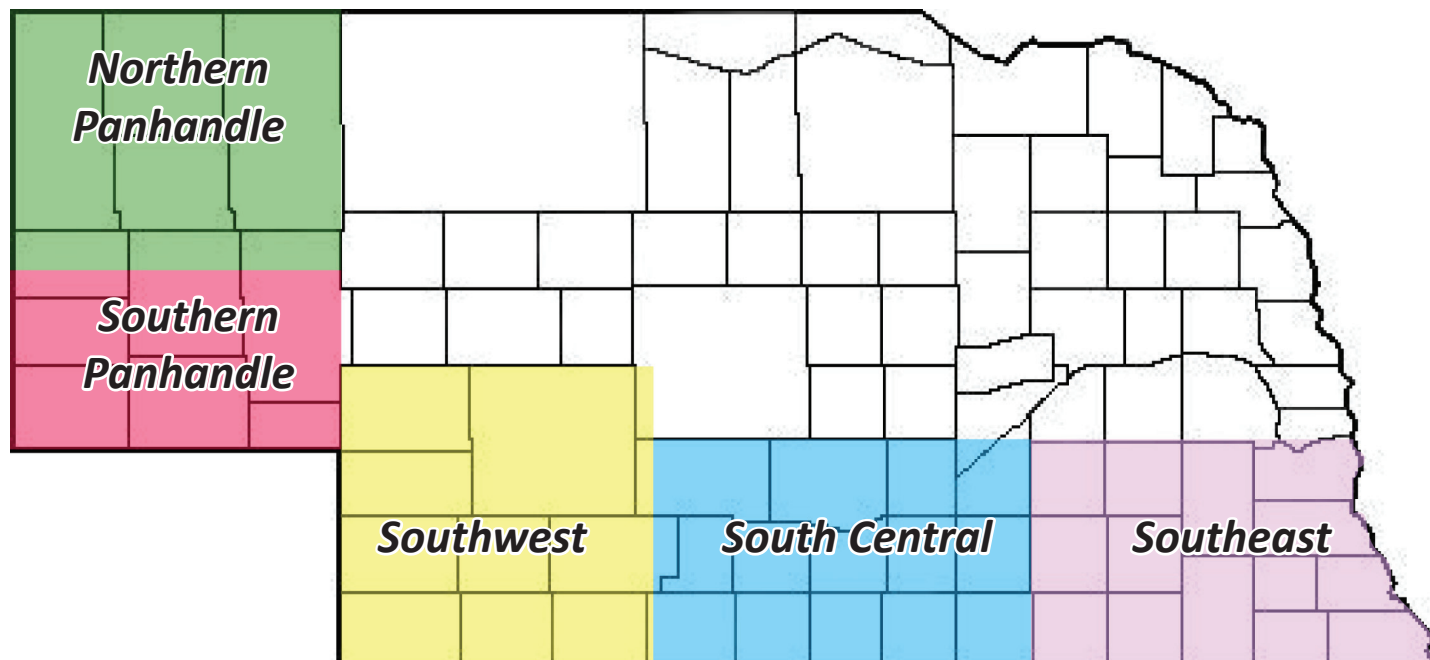
The Eastern Central portion of Nebraska reported harvest was complete. Average yields were in the 50s. Test weights for the region ranged from 56 to 62 pounds. Protein ranged from 12 to 14.

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## Northern Panhandle

*Harvest 60-90% completed, slowed by rain.*

Yield: 25-70 bpa (dryland) 60-100 bpa (irrigated)

1.68-5.38 tonnes/ha

TW: 57-61#, avg 59#

75-80.2 kg/hl, avg 77.6

Protein: 9-14, avg in 11s

## Southern Panhandle

*Harvest 60-100% complete. Slowed by rain.*

Yield: 0-70 bpa (some hailed areas)

0.67-4.71 tonnes/ha

TW: 58-62#, avg 60#

76.3-81.5 kg/hl, avg 78.9

Protein: 9-14

## Southwest Nebraska

*Harvest complete. Data below is region averages*

Yield: 30-50 bpa

2.02-5.38 tonnes/ha

TW: 61#

80.2 kg/hl

Protein: 10-12

## South Central Nebraska

*Harvest complete. Data below is region averages.*

Yield: 40-50 bpa

2.69-3.36 tonnes/ha

TW: 61#

80.2 kg/hl

Protein: 11

## Southeast Nebraska

*Harvest complete. Lower yield averages due to spring drought. Data below is region averages.*

Yield: 30-40 bpa

2.02-2.69 tonnes/ha

TW: 60#

78.9 kg/hl

Protein: 11-12