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Nebraska Harvest Picking Up Steam

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - Recent mild weather has helped Nebraska farmers make good progress on harvesting their crops.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture says more soybeans are being harvested now because farmers are waiting for corn to dry out a bit more. But the corn harvest is underway.

Roughly 69 percent of the soybeans have been harvested. That's behind last year's 77 percent and the average of 81 percent at this time of year.

About 28 percent of Nebraska's corn has been harvested. That's similar to last year but well behind the average of 45 percent harvested at this point in the fall.

But the warm weather actually slowed the sugar beet harvest in western Nebraska.

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