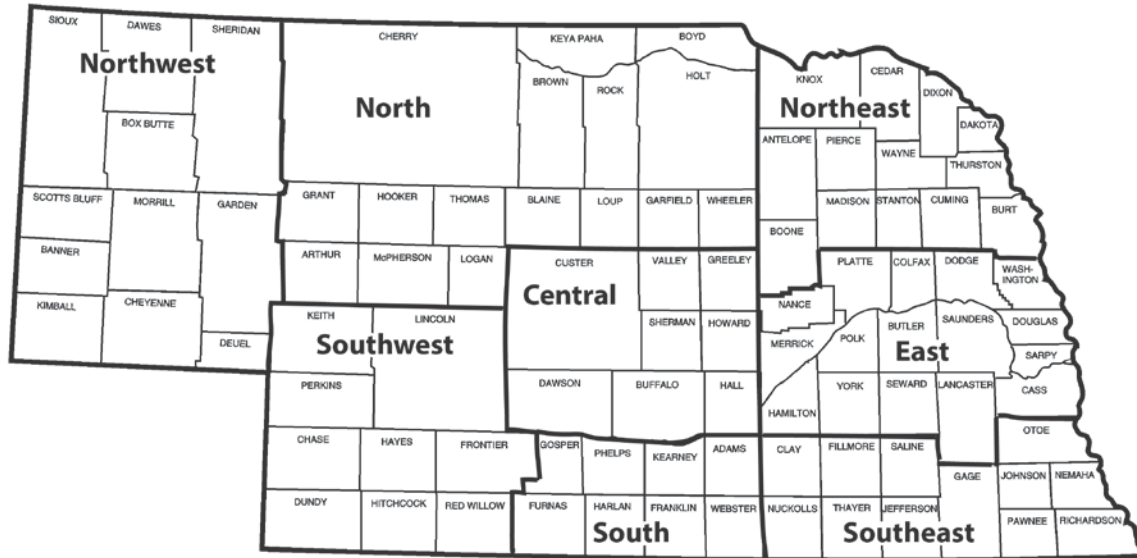


Figure 1. Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Districts



Nebraska has diverse land resource characteristics and agricultural patterns. Due to the nature of the state, most of the market information is provided down to sub-state regions which are the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Districts. Land within these regions share similar geographical attributes and production expectations. The Districts provide greater geographically-appropriate detail that are not available from other data sources, such as quarterly value estimates from the Kansas City Federal Reserve and the Economic Research Service-USDA annual Farm Value and Cash Rent series for the state as a whole.

Variability exists within these eight sub-state regions. Due to these differences, sub-state regions of values and cash rents appropriately do not necessarily reflect the conditions of any local market in that geographic area. Differences in local values and rents can be from small to extreme. The information and analysis to follow in the report is a more realistic measure of general patterns and trends. Should one need information for one specific parcel, the services of a certified agricultural appraiser and/or a professional farm management firm should be solicited.