SIXTY-FIRST BIENNIAL REPORT



BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL LANDS AND FUNDS

GOVERNOR E. BENJAMIN NELSON

RICHARD R. LEBLANC

Executive Secretary

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

September 30, 1998

The Honorable E. Benjamin Nelson Governor of Nebraska State Capitol Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

Dear Governor Neison:

On behalf of the Board of Educational Lands and Funds, I am pleased to submit this 61st Biennial Report of its administration of Nebraska's School Trust Lands from July 1, 1996, through June 30, 1998.

This report reflects the broad scope of activity and the extensive responsibility of the Board and its staff in managing the approximately 1.5 million acres of Educational Trust Lands.

Total K-12 School Trust Income for the Biennium was \$56,946,051.81. All School Trust Funds are invested exclusively by the Nebraska investment Council.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL LANDS AND FUNDS

Richard R. LeBlanc Executive Secretary

ORGANIZATION AND PERSONNEL BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL LANDS AND FUNDS

BOARD MEMBERS	TERM EXPIRES
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•	and Deputy Director
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Cort Dewing	Field Representative
Rusty Fritz	Field Representative
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Martin Olson	Field Representative
Pat Speirs	Field Representative
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THE BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL LANDS AND FUNDS

In the Enabling Act of Congress passed April 19, 1864, pursuant to which Nebraska became a State on March 1, 1867, and as a condition of statehood, the federal government granted generally every section 16 and 36 in each township in Trust for the support of Nebraska's common (K-12 public) schools. The Trust nature, conditions and obligations of this grant are reflected in Article VII, Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the Nebraska Constitution and have been recited in numerous decisions of the Nebraska Supreme Court including, for example, State ex rel. Ebke v. Board of Educational Lands and Funds, 154 Neb. 244 (1951).

Nearly 2.9 million acres have been acquired in Trust for the support of Nebraska's K-12 public schools and about 1.4 million of these acres have been sold to private sector owners. Approximately 90% of the deeded acres were conveyed pursuant to cash sales, or contractual purchase rights vested in the buyers, prior to 1900 and several decades before the Board of Educational Lands and Funds came into existence. In accordance with Article VII, Sections 7 and 8 of the Nebraska Constitution, the proceeds from all sales comprise part of the permanent school fund and all school trust funds are invested exclusively by the Nebraska Investment Council.

The Board of Educational Lands and Funds is now the Constitutionally established Trustee of Nebraska's School Trust Lands. The Board consists of five members, four from Nebraska's congressional districts as they existed on January 1, 1961, and one at large, appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature to rotating five year terms. Once appointed to the Board, its members are independent Trustees who manage the Board's activities and conduct its business operations in a totally non-partisan and non-political manner. The Board is governed entirely by trust law and its Trustee members are legally bound to fulfill exclusively the Trust duties of maximizing the income and preserving the assets of the School Trust for the benefit of the State and its citizens.

The Board meets monthly and its members receive compensation of \$40 per day, plus reimbursement for their necessary expenses, for each day they are actually engaged in performing the duties of their office. The Board's Biennial Report is published during even numbered years and supplemented by its report published in the Nebraska Blue Book during odd numbered years.

The primary duty of the Board is to manage the nearly 1.5 million acres of land now held in Trust for Nebraska's K-12 public schools and in fulfilling this duty the Board serves as both land owner and land manager. In its

capacity as land owner, the Board makes expenditures for maintenance, conservation and improvement of the land under its care and a substantial portion of its budget each year is dedicated to these purposes. In its capacity as land manager, the Board issues and services both surface leases, primarily for agricultural uses, and subsurface leases permitting exploration for and extraction of oil and gas, minerals and other natural resources. The Board currently establishes and collects rentals on, issues and manages approximately 3,700 leases. Sales and trades of School Trust land are also discretionary with the Board.

The primary sources of revenue generated from Nebraska's School Trust Lands are rental and bonus for agricultural leases and rental, bonus and royalty for minerals leases. Analysis using valuation data of the University of Nebraska, Department of Agricultural Economics, established that the nearly 1.5 million acres held in Trust for Nebraska's K-12 public schools had a current market value of approximately \$361.5 million as of June 30, 1997, and \$389.3 million as of June 30, 1998. The total agricultural rent established by the Board for that land was approximately \$20.1 million effective January 1, 1998, and will be approximately \$20.5 million effective January 1, 1999.

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 9 of the Nebraska Constitution, the net income of the School Trust is distributed annually to Nebraska's K-12 public schools as the Legislature may provide. To prevent revenue losses to the school districts in which tax exempt School Trust Land is located, distributions are first made to those school districts in lieu of tax. The net School Trust income remaining after these in lieu of tax payments have been made is then distributed to public schools statewide, including the school districts where School Trust Land is located, on a per pupil basis. The manner and time of these distributions are prescribed exclusively by the Legislature, subject only to the Constitutional requirements that all net Trust income must be used exclusively for the support and maintenance of the common schools and the manner of distribution must be fair to all the beneficiaries.

The Board and its staff are firmly committed to maximizing the income and preserving the assets of the School Trust for the benefit of Nebraska and its citizens. In pursuit of these goals, every effort is made to manage and conduct the Board's business operations on the profit motive patterned as closely as possible on business operations conducted by the most efficient enterprises in the private sector. The Board and its staff believe this business-like approach will make possible the continued successful pursuit of the Trust objectives.

OFFICE OF THE STATE SURVEYOR

The laws of 1903 required the Board of Educational Lands and Funds to appoint a State Surveyor and allowed them to appoint deputy surveyors as the need arose. These same statutes prescribed several duties to be performed by the State Surveyor. Many of these original duties are still required and direct the operations of the State Surveyor's Office. Among these duties prescribed by the laws of 1903 are:

(1) Take charge under the supervision of the Board of the filed notes, maps, charts and records of the United States surveys.

A library consisting of these notes and plats is maintained in the Surveyor's Office. This material is made available to the public and copies provided upon payment of appropriate fees.

(2) Prepare and issue, under the authority and direction of the Board, a circular of instruction to county surveyors.

Acting under this directive the office last provided a complete set of instructions in 1914. Since that time the office has issued instructions on specific items. The current directives issued to county surveyors are initiated based upon requests from individual county surveyors or registered land surveyors in private practice.

(3) In case of any dispute among owners of and arising for or by reason of any survey of boundaries of lands within this state, or in case of dispute or disagreement between surveyors as to said surveys or boundaries, the same shall be referred to the State Surveyor for settlement. He is hereby appointed as arbitrator to settle and determine such disputes or disagreements as to said surveys and boundaries and his decision shall be prima facie evidence of the correctness thereof.

These disputes and requests for surveys have resulted in approximately 1700 State application resurveys. In many cases the disputes can be resolved without resurvey by use of advice and opinion on surveying issued by the office.

(4) Perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board.

The office reviews all transfers of educational trust land and gives opinions on the adequacy of the descriptions for trades, sales, and condemnations. Upon completion of the transfers the staff supervises changes in the abstract and provides the Board's field personnel with plats showing the revised property. Drafting, charts, graphs and court exhibits are also provided to the Board upon request.

(5) The Board may, when in its judgment there is need, appoint one or more competent experienced deputy land surveyors.

The Legislature has added duties to this original list from time to time. Some of these additional duties have continued to the present time. Among these added duties are:

- (1) In 1961 the Legislature passed a resolution which resulted in a U.S. Supreme Court case on the boundary between Nebraska and lowa. The case was decided in 1973 but problems on the boundary still persist as evidenced by further resolutions. The result of these actions has been the accumulation of a library of approximately 20,000 documents filed in the Office of the State Surveyor. The State Surveyor serves on the Joint Boundary Commission.
- (2) In 1982 the Legislature created the State Survey Record Repository in the Office of the State Surveyor. This repository will receive copies of most land surveys performed in the state. The office must microfilm and file these surveys and provide copies upon request. The Survey Record Repository contains approximately 158,000 documents as of this report.
- (3) In 1991 the Legislature created the G.I.S. Steering Committee. The State Surveyor serves as a member of this Committee and is currently Chair.
- (4) In 1998 the Legislature created the Nebraska Information Technology Commission. The State Surveyor's Office is to provide technical assistance, support and advice to the various counties, cities and other governmental bodies in Nebraska in their endeavors to produce and maintain cadastral or other georeferenced maps.

These duties, combined with the general governmental responsibility to provide service and information to the public, provide the basis for the operation of the State Surveyor's Office under the direction of the Board of Educational Lands and Funds.

K-12 SCHOOL TRUST REVENUES FOR THE BIENNIUM*

July 1, 1996 to June 30, 1998

TEMPORARY SCHOOL FUND (Income):

Agricultural Lease Rentals and Interest	
Minerals Lease Rentals	
Minerals Lease Bonus	
Other Sources	104,479.07
Interest on Temporary Investments	1,794,903.35
Interest and Dividends on	
Permanent Investments	12,673,521.99
Liquor Control Licenses, Fines, Fees	
Other Licenses, Fines, Fees	
TOTAL INCOME	\$56,946,051.81

PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND (New Deposits):

Mineral Lease Royalties: Federal Mineral Deposits	1,018,627.39 128,080.19 2.984.88 110,934.22 2,509,522.69 5,216,614.20 1,872,614.10
Licenses, Fines, Fees, Penalties, Forfeits	653,982.41
TOTAL ADDITIONS TO PRINCIPAL	\$11,443,684.42

TOTAL K-12 SCHOOL TRUST REVENUES...... \$68,389,736.23

^{*}Information compiled from Monthly Fund Summary Reports generated by the Nebraska Department of Administrative Services.

VALUE OF PERMANENT EDUCATIONAL TRUST FUNDS*

As of June 30, 1998

FUND	MARKET VALUE
Permanent School Fund (K-12)	\$249,218,885.59
Permanent University Fund	759,237.29
Agricultural College Fund	1,669,057.70
State College (Normal Schools) Fund	181,584.30
TOTAL	\$251,828,764.88
*Information furnished by the Nebraska Investment Cou	ncil.

EXPENDITURES

The annual expenditures of the Board of Educational Lands and Funds, as well as the direct annual expenditures of all other state agencies except only the University of Nebraska and the State Colleges, are published annually in the Personnel Almanac. This publication lists expenditures separately for each state agency by all major and most minor categories (including total, operating and personal service expenditures, capital outlays, government aid, travel expenditures and so forth) for each of the last 10 years. The more than 100 pages, great detail and 10-year perspectives of the Personnel Almanac make it the most complete source reference of its kind available anywhere.

The Personnel Almanac can be obtained free of charge by contacting the State Personnel Division of the Department of Administrative Services, Nebraska State Office Building - First Floor, P.O. Box 94905, Lincoln, Nebraska, 68509-4905 (Telephone: 402/471-4460).

DISTRIBUTIONS OF TRUST INCOME TO K-12 PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR THE BIENNIUM*

COUNTY	IN-LIEU-OF TAX	PER PUPIL APPORTIONMENT	TOTAL DISTRIBUTION
Adams	39,293.54	\$ 724,973.90	\$ 764,267.44
Antelope\$	188,909.36	\$ 178,154.37	\$ 367,063.73
Arthur\$	83,261.46	\$ 14,076.22	\$ 97,337.68
Banner	121,135.55	\$ 25,418.60	\$ 146,554.15
Blaine	125,970.25	\$ 23,537.87	\$ 149,508.12
Boone\$	21,721.98	\$ 184,082.42	\$ 205,804.40
Box Butte\$	303,534,68	\$ 382,119.82	\$ 685,654.50
Boyd	120,722.26	\$ 72,834.38	\$ 193,556.64
BrownS	247,421.55	\$ 82,921.82	\$ 330,343.37
Buffalo\$	134,582.72	\$ 903,810.54	\$ 1,038,393,26
Burt\$	36,033.72	\$ 210,923.72	\$ 246,957.44
Butler\$	10,371.52	\$ 235,427.36	\$ 245,798,88
Cass\$	2,147.60	\$ 526,181,26	\$ 528,328,86
Cedar\$	24,418.98	\$ 299,886.28	\$ 324,305.26
Chase\$	548,299.57	\$ 135,068.90	\$ 683,368,47
Cherry\$	670,166.06	\$ 145,721.02	\$ 815,887.08
Cheyenne\$	536,516.67	\$ 291,501.08	\$ 828,017.75
Clay\$	6,611.00	\$ 203,227.72	\$ 209,838.72
Colfax\$	0.00	\$ 296,863.41	\$ 296,863.41
Curning\$	5.281.75	\$ 276,009.38	\$ 281,291,13
Custer	467,478.34	\$ 294,982.97	\$ 762,461,31
Dakota\$	19,984,27	\$ 544,710.89	\$ 564,695.16
Dawes\$	154,085.36	\$ 180,660.84	\$ 334,746.20
DawsonS	•	\$ 656,198.29	\$ 820,498.40
DeuelS		\$ 64,857.21	\$ 339,847.75
Dixon\$		\$ 99,732.61	\$ 130,892.35
Dodge\$		\$ 861,359,20	\$ 866,304.75
DouglasS		\$11,201,426.46	\$11,203,130.97
DundyS	210,916,31	\$ 45,477.28	\$ 256,393.59
Fillmore\$	704.82	\$ 170,799.93	\$ 171,504.75
Franklin\$	89,660,74	\$ 70,781.40	\$ 160,442.14
Frontier\$	161,563.83	\$ 93,971.28	\$ 255,535.11
Furnas\$	201,543.03	\$ 165,219.29	\$ 366,762.32
Gage\$	5,809.31	\$ 453,986.12	\$ 459,795.43
Garden\$	219,340.64	\$ 53,685.92	\$ 273,026.56
Garfield\$	91,698.72	\$ 49,924.46	\$ 141,623.18
Gosper\$	23,015.64	\$ 30,658.33	\$ 53,673,97
Grant\$	107,553.46	\$ 29,461.35	\$ 137,014.81
Greeley\$	60,911.24	\$ 98,594.32	\$ 159,505.56
Hail\$	24,888.58	\$ 1,194,800.46	\$ 1,219,689.04
Hamilton\$	0.00	\$ 224,253.28	\$ 224,253.28
Harlan\$	19,135.48	\$ 53,113.62	\$ 72,249.10
Hayes\$	143,656.66	\$ 20,516.71	\$ 164,173.37
Hitchcock\$	215,344.12	\$ 65,937.96	\$ 281,282.08
Holt\$	580,503.15	\$ 334,139.33	\$ 914,642.48
Hooker\$	119,940.76	\$ 28,438.35	\$ 148,379.11
Howard\$	50,931.74	\$ 191,712.00	\$ 242,643.74
Jefferson\$	36,231.39	\$ 264,489.54	\$ 300,720.93
Johnson\$	2,966.98	\$ 131,307.41	\$ 134,274.39

DISTRIBUTIONS OF TRUST INCOME TO K-12 PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR THE BIENNIUM*

COUNTY	IN-LIEU-OF TAX	PER PUPIL APPORTIONMENT	TOTAL DISTRIBUTION
Kearney	\$ 40,971.61	\$ 181,798.57	\$ 222,770.18
Keith	•	\$ 211,269.50	\$ 410,195.58
Keya Paha		\$ 23,935.42	\$ 113,558.97
Kimball		\$ 93,010,15	\$ 242,545.83
Knox		\$ 286,032.38	\$ 411,423.04
Lancaster	•	\$ 5,170,462.37	\$ 5,185,974.16
Lincoln	•	\$ 986,571.77	\$ 1,309,629.39
Logan	,	\$ 27,868,04	\$ 131,226.91
Loup	• • •	\$ 19,776.69	\$ 100,566.92
Madison	•	\$ 1,008,759.54	\$ 1,075,642.70
McPherson		\$ 14,589.98	\$ 85,488.80
Merrick		\$ 212,004.07	\$ 298,097.50
Morrill	•	\$ 155,868.50	\$ 322,267.86
Nance	•	\$ 109,709.35	\$ 110,576.91
Nemaha	•	\$ 167,951.60	\$ 173,852.04
Nuckolls	,	\$ 115,178.53	\$ 120,471.18
Otoe	•	\$ 378,531.66	\$ 385,954.57
Pawnee		\$ 79,843.66	\$ 84,693.30
Perkins		\$ 88,850,09	\$ 345,906.88
Phelos		\$ 245,800,56	\$ 283,233.76
Pierce		\$ 234,461.39	\$ 337,383.81
Platte		\$ 630,167.90	\$ 840,041.83
Polk	33,445.42	\$ 158,320.87	\$ 191,766.29
Red Willow	220,981.73	\$ 308,376.83	\$ 529,358.56
Richardson	5,799.45	\$ 261,130.37	\$ 266,929.82
Rock	•	\$ 45,194.89	\$ 262,012.12
Saline		\$ 348,609.66	\$ 357,128.14
Sarpy	1,683,51	\$ 2,566,376.00	\$ 2,568,259,51
Saunders	0.00	\$ 449,539.32	\$ 449,539.32
Scotts Bluff		\$ 994,313.83	\$ 1,045,708.58
Seward	15,857.27	\$ 451,711.41	\$ 467,568.68
Sheridan	309,860.39	\$ 159,625.29	\$ 469,485.68
Sherman	76,139.67	\$ 81,668.98	\$ 157,808.65
Sioux	127,379.38	\$ 24,961.97	\$ 152,341.35
Stanton	8,737.53	\$ 72,492.22	\$ 81,229.75
Thayer	4,050.86	\$ 162,706.37	\$ 166,757.23
Thomas	68,690.81	\$ 15,273.68	\$ 83,964.49
Thurston	0.00	\$ 283,129.55	\$ 283,129.55
Valley	39,290.53	\$ 111,356.90	\$ 150,647.43
Washington	22,887.27	\$ 461,048.63	\$ 483,935.90
Wayne		\$ 217,703.95	\$ 219,251.72
Webster	•	\$ 90,387.37	\$ 120,226.31
Wheeler		• •	
	91,632.18	\$ 21,656.33	\$ 113,288.51
York		\$ 21,656.33 \$ 323,874.94	\$ 113,288.51 \$ 348,432.90

^{*}Information compiled from 1997 and 1998 Calendar Year Distribution Reports furnished by the Nebraska Department of Education (1996 and 1997 calendar year net income).

SUMMARY OF EDUCATIONAL TRUST LANDS

As of June 30, 1998

	·	ACRES ACQUIRED (1)	ACRES DEEDED (2)	SURFACE ACRES LEASED (3)	APPRAISED VALUATION (4)	A	GRICULTURAL RENTAL
	Common School	2,863,103.000	1,370,487.813	1,492,615.187	\$501,074,045.00	\$2	0,042,961.80
	Saline	<u>32,789.440</u>	<u>32,238.890</u>	<u>550.550</u>	<u>390,079.50</u>	_	<u> 15.603.18</u>
	Total K-12 School						
	Trust Lands	2,895,892.440	1,402,726.703	1,493,165.737	\$501,464,124.50	\$2	0,058,564.98
	University	45.463.270	38.964.303	6.498.967	\$3.476.027.00	\$	139.041.08
<u>5</u>	Ag College	89,140.210	85,326.030	3,814.180	2.692.249.50	Ψ	107,689.98
	Normal (State College)	12.804.800	12,729,970	74.830	108,075.00		4,323.00
	Other	0.000	0.000	101.350	18,060.50		722.42
	Total All Other		_			•	
	Educational Trust Lands .	147,408.280	137,020.303	10,489.327	\$6,294,412.00	\$	251,776.48

- (1) Includes all sources and times of acquisition. The original federal grant of Sections 16 and 36 and in lieu selections (Common School Trust Lands) was, for example, the equivalent of 2,797,520.67 acres.
- (2) Includes acres condemned and paid for pursuant to federal or state authority for roadways and other public uses.
- (3) Acres available for surface leasing will vary slightly from time to time due to such things as the meanderings and channel changes of rivers and streams. Additional acres are available for subsurface leasing, primarily as a result of subsurface rights retained when the surface was deeded or condemned.
- (4) See the Note on page 18.

EDUCATIONAL TRUST LANDS BY COUNTY Common and Saline Lands (K-12) As of June 30, 1998

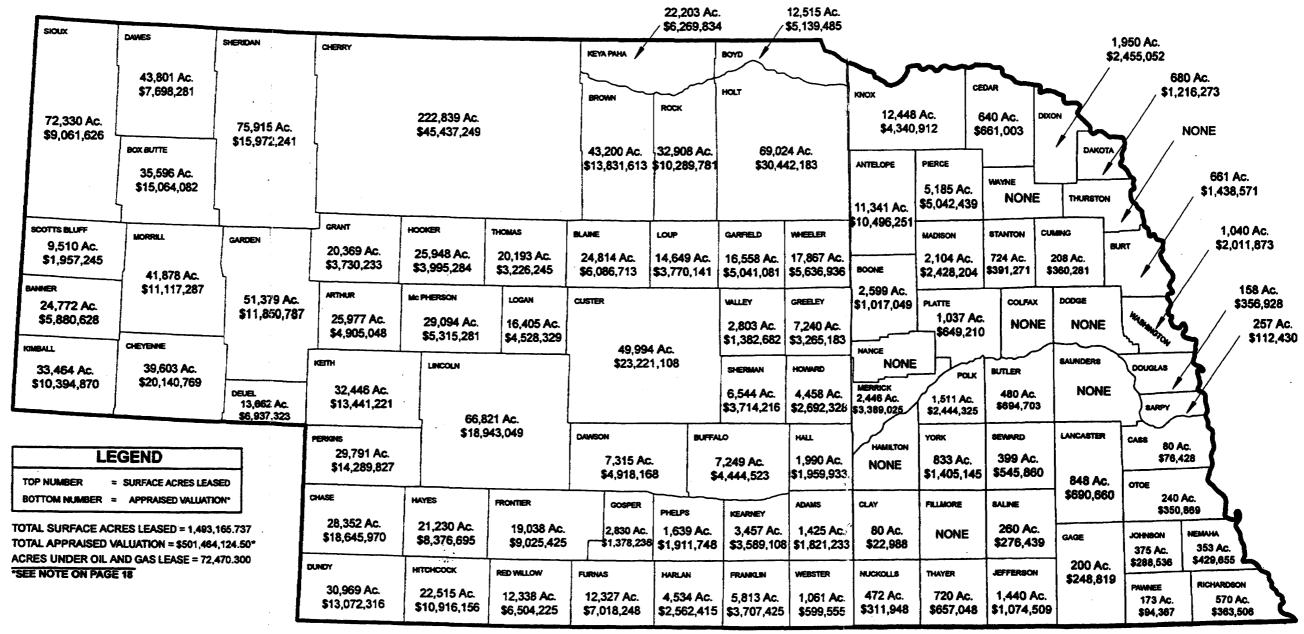
COUNTY	ACRES ACQUIRED (1)	ACRES DEEDED (2)	SURFACE ACRES LEASED (3)	APPRAISED VALUATION (4)	NUMBER OF AGRICULTURAL LEASES
Adams	20,880,080	19.455.080	1,425.000	\$ 1,821,232.50	11
Antelope	31,400.000	20,058.860	11,341.140	10.496,250.50	56
Arthur	27,311.980	1,335.435	25,976.545	4,905,047.50	43
Banner	26,930.510	2,158.910	24,771.600	5,880,627.50	44
3laine	25,628.020	813.572	24,814.448	6,086,713.00	50
300ne	23,675.280	21,076.030	2,599.250	1,017,049.00	8
Sox Butte	40,963.930	5,367.460	35,596.470	15,064,082.00	72
3oyd	22,664.500 47,741.830	10,149.960	12,514.540	5,139,484.50 13.831.613.00	69 78
Brown	30,894,620	4,541.550 23.645.920	43,200.280 7,248.700	4,444,522.50	78 31
Burt	18,225,550	17,564.290	661.260	1,438,570.50	6
Butler	21,699,630	21,219.630	480.000	694,703.00	3
Cass	19,733.980	19,653.980	80.000	76,427.50	ž
Cedar	27,044.360	26,404.360	640.000	661,002.50	4
Chase	33,280.000	4,928.080	28,351.920	18,645,969.50	67
Cherry	274,504.040	51,664.813	222,839.227	45,437,248.50	390
Cheyenne	44,506.320	4,902.922	39,603.398	20,140,769.00	79
ClayColfax	21,240.000 14,463.510	21,160.000 14,463.510	. 80.000 0.000	22,987.50 0.00	1
Curning	20,324,700	20,116,740	207.960	360,281.00	1
Custer	92,658,160	42,664,650	49.993.510	23,221,108.00	139
Dakota	7,255.960	6,575.750	680.210	1,216,273.00	5
Dawes	51,973.900	8,172.600	43,801.300	7,698,280.50	90
Dawson	36,725.000	29,410.214	7,314.786	4,918,168.00	22
Deuel	16,800.700	3,138.710	13,661.990	6,937,323.00	. 34
Dixon	17,029.280	15,078.900	1,950.380	2,455,052.00	13
Dodge	18,560.930	18,560.930	0.000	0.00	0
Douglas	9,320.550	9,162.360	158.190	356,927.50	3
Dundy	33,307.410	2,338.480	30,968.930	13,072,315.50	56
Fillmore	20,648.510 20,471.850	20,648.510	0.000 5.812.980	0.00 3.707.425.00	0
FranklinFrontier	20,471.850 34,560.000	1 4,658.870 15,522.370	5,812.980 19,037.630	3,707,425.00 9,025,424.50	24 58
Furnas	25,599,680	13,273.120	12,326.560	7,018,248.00	44
Gage	24,637.310	24,437.310	200.000	248,819.00	7 2
Garden	64,221,410	12,842.410	51,379.000	11,850,786.50	94
Garfield	20,480.000	3,922.380	16,557.620	5,041,081.00	40
Gosper	16,640.000	13,809.540	2,830.460	1,378,236.00	7
Grant	30,565.440	10,196.430	20,369.010	3,730,232.50	45
Greeley	20,475.300	13,235.300	7,240.000	3,265,183.00	~ 25
Hall	19,604.520	17,614.870	1,989.650	1,959,932.50	14
Hamilton	20,487.700	20,487.700	0.000	0.00	0
Harlan	20,364.600	15,830.830	4,533.770	2,562,415.00	19 59
HayesHitchcock	26,160.000 25,468.610	4,930.450 2,953.626	21,229.550 22,514.984	8,376,695.00 10,916,155.50	63
Holt	87,696.600	18,672.756	69,023.844	30,442,183.00	193
Hooker	28,591,140	2,643.180	25,947.960	3,995,283.50	43
Howard	23,036,780	18,578.660	4,458,120	2,692,327.50	20
Jefferson	20,484.080	19,044.080	1,440.000	1,074,509.00	12
Johnson	13,480.000	13,104.840	375.160	288,535.50	7
Kearney	18,758.060	15,301.270	3,456.790	3,589,108.00	9
Selth	46,542.710	14,096.287	32,446.423	13,441,220.50	78
Keya Paha	26,394.490	4,191.140	22,203.350	6,269,834.00	56
Kimball	36,561.000 43,533.810	3,096.890	33,464.110	10,394,869.50	63 58
KnoxLancaster	31,973.850	31,085.860 31,676.410	12,447.950 297.440	4,340,912.00 300,580.00	3
Lancaster (Saline)	32,789.440	32,238.890	550.550	390,079.50	5
Lincoln	100,210,660	33,389.972	66,820,688	18,943.049.00	141
Logan	20,480,000	4,075.320	16,404.680	4,528,328.50	30
Loup	20,393.280	5,744.090	14,649,190	3,770,141.00	30
Madison	24,626.970	22,523.094	2,103.876	2,428,203.50	12
McPherson	32,361.410	3,267.000	29,094.410	5,315,281.00	52
Merrick	14,976.210	12,530.000	2,446.210	3,389,024.50	12
Morrill	62,315.930	20,438.129	41,877.801	11,117,287.00	92
Nance	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.00	0
Nemaha	11,993.240	11,640.040	353.200	429,655.00	2
Nuckolis	21,049.610 21,992.560	20,577.230 21,752.560	472.380 240.000	311,947.50 350.869.00	5 3
Otoe Pawnee	20,128.960	19.955.850	173,110	94,367.00	3
Perkins	31,890.020	2,099.154	29,790.866	14,289,826.50	58
Phelps	20,388.030	18,748.600	1,639,430	1,911,747.50	ő
Pierce	20,480,000	15,295.240	5,184.760	5,042,438.50	19
Platte	23,655.480	22,618.900	1,036.580	649,210.00	7
Polk	17,432.560	15,921.180	1,511.380	2,444,325.00	9
Red Willow	25,408.710	13,070.416	12,338.294	6,504,225.00	36
Richardson	10,400.000	9,830.000	570.000	363,506.00	4
Rock	41,439.690	8,531.200	32,908.490	10,289,781.00	73
Saline	20,620.000	20,360.000	260,000	276,438.50	5
Sarpy	8,994.920	8,737.450	257.470	112,430.00	6
Saunders	26,323.880	26,323.880	0.000	0.00	0
Scotts Bluff	25,524.140 21,203.950	16,014.270 20,805.290	9,509.870 398.660	1,957,245.00 545.860	24 3
Sheridan	95,765.150	19,850,400	75,914,750	15,972,240.50	170
Sherman	20,453.780	13,910.160	6,543.620	3,714,215.50	29
Sioux	80,967.440	8,637.431	72,330.009	9,061,626.00	141
Stanton	15,444.290	14,720.000	724.290	391,270.50	3
Thayer	20,472.350	19,752.350	720.000	657,048.00	5
Thomas	29,338.040	9,145.152	20,192.888	3,226,244.50	37
Thurston	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.00	0
Valley	20,704.750	17,901.760	2,802.990	1,382,681.50	. 11
Washington	13,663.610	12,623.610	1,040.000	2,011,872.50	10
Wayne	15,360.000	15,380.00	0.000	0.00	Ō
Webster	20,861.200	19,800.000	1,061.200	599,555.00	9
Wheeler	21,120.000	3,252.690	17,867.310	5,636,936.00	39
	20,480.000	19,646.610	833.390	1,405,144.50	9
York Total K-12 School Trust Lands		10,040.010	000.080	1,100,111.00	

University, Agricultural College and State College (Normal School) Lands As of June 30, 1998

COUNTY	ACRES ACQUIRED (1)	ACRES DEEDED (2)	SURFACE ACRES LEASED (3)	APPRAISED VALUATION (4)	NUMBER OF AGRICULTURAL LEASES
Antelope (Uni)	1,600.000	1,407.050	192.950	86,146.50	1
Burt (Ag)	640.000	640.000	0.000	0.00	0
Cedar (Ág)	25,405,470	24,431.630	973.840	1,050,229.50	7
Cedar (Uni)	1,920.000	1,605.703	314.297	284,218.00	2
Curning (Ag)		960.000	0.000	0.00	0
Dakota (Ag)		640.000	0.000	0.00	0
Dakota (Uni)		320.000	0.000	0.00	Ö
Dawes (Other)		0.000	101.350	18,060,50	1
Dixon (Ag)		2,200.000	40.000	83,850.00	1
Dixon (Uni)		640,000	0.000	0.00	Ó
Holt (Uni)		4,414.730	3,907,370	1,946,904.00	25
Knox (Ag)		31,207,590	2,283.610	779,722.50	9
Knox (Uni)		3,649.610	830,390	298,335.00	5
Lancaster (Normal)	12,804.800	12,729,970	74.830	108,075.00	1
Madison (Úni)	2,240,000	2,080.000	160,000	266,362.50	1
Nuckolls (Uni)	4,940.020	4,764.580	175.440	86,550.00	1
Pierce (Ag)		9,597.830	516.730	778,447.50	3
Pierce (Uni)		3,197.670	0.000	0.00	0
Wayne (Ag)	15,648.980	15,648.980	0.000	0.00	0
Webster (Uni)	17,803.480	16,884.960	918.520	507,511.00	8
Total All Other					
Educational Trust Lands	147,408.280	137,020.303	10,489.327	\$ 6,294,412.00	65

Notes (1), (2), (3) and (4): See pages 12 and 18.

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MAP OF K-12 SCHOOL TRUST LANDS

As of June 30, 1998

NOTE CONCERNING APPRAISED VALUATION

Appraised valuation also means appraised rental valuation and is merely surface (agricultural) rental capitalized at the rate of 4% (divided by .04). The sole purpose for this computation is to generate the numbers required by certain statutes which have not been amended for many years. These numbers are intended only to provide the statutorily desired information and do not reflect market value as of any specific date.

For purposes of this nature, capitalization rate is the same thing as rent to value ratio. To illustrate the process, if annual rent is \$20.5 million and a rate of 4% is chosen, the resulting value will be \$512.5 million. Similarly, a rate of 5% applied to rental of \$20.5 million will yield a value of \$410.0 million, and a rate of 6% used for the same \$20.5 million rent will result in a value of \$341.7 million. The historically valid long-term capitalization rates for agricultural land are generally 4% to 6%. However, within this range, applying the lower rent to value ratios to actual rental will yield lower values.

Accurate rent to value ratios can be determined through the process of dividing the rentals which exist at any point in time by the corresponding values to which they pertain. All of these numbers are driven by the private sector marketplace and, therefore, the actual rentals, values and rent to value ratios are always changing over time. It is simply not possible to incorporate these constantly changing rent to value ratios into statutes because, by the time the necessary computations could be made and the statutes could be amended, the actual rent to value ratios would have changed again. For statutory purposes, therefore, the best course is to choose one rent to value ratio within the historically valid range of 4% to 6% and use it consistently over a considerable period of time. This allows the numbers thus generated to be useful for some additional purposes, such as comparing relative values from one county to another and relative changes in values over the years, even though these numbers do not represent current market value.

Analysis using valuation data of the University of Nebraska, Department of Agricultural Economics, established that the slightly more than 1.5 million acres held in Trust for Nebraska's K-12 public schools had a current market value of approximately \$361.5 million as of June 30, 1997, and \$389.3 million as of June 30, 1998. By comparison, the total agricultural rent established by the Board for that land was approximately \$20.1 million effective January 1, 1998, and will be approximately \$20.5 million effective January 1, 1999. These numbers, of course, yield actual agricultural rent to value ratios between 5.27% and 5.56%.

TOTAL PARCELS	TOTAL ACRES	GRASS ACRES	CROP ACRES	CRP ACRES	OTHER ACRES	APPRAISED VALUE	TOTAL SALE PRICE	EXCESS OVER APPRAISED VALUE
61	23,316.82	19,093.63	338.88	3,814.00	70.31	\$5,629,695	\$5,971,485	\$341,790 (6.87%)

All parcels sold were K-12 School Trust Land. Proceeds are deposited into the Permanent School Fund during the Fiscal Year in which they are received. With respect to some auctions occurring during the last three months of the Biennium, only the down payment was received prior to June 30, 1998. The balance of the purchase price is due within 90 days of the auction date and payments made after June 30, 1998, will be included in receipts for the next Fiscal Year. Deeds are issued only after the purchase price is paid in full and acres are not removed from inventory until that time.

In addition to the \$5,971,485 total sale proceeds, one down payment of \$36,000 was forfeited to the School Trust when the high bidder failed to pay the balance of the purchase price.

SUMMARY OF LAND SALES DURING FISCAL YEAR 1996 - 97

COUNTY	PLAT#	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	SEC-TWN-RGE	CHARACTERISTICS OF THE LAND	TOTAL ACRES	GRASS ACRES	CROP	CRP ACRES	OTHER ACRES	APPRAISED VALUE	SALE PRICE	EXCESS OVER APPRAISED VALUE
Johnson	1b	4.0 acres in SW1/4	16-T05N-R09E	Residential acreage	4.00				4.00	\$ 6,400	\$ 6,400	
Lancaster	9	SW1/4SE1/4 except Lots 44 & 45 (33rd & Superior in Lincoln)	6-T10N-R07E	Cropground with Commerical Potential	33.78		33.78			\$800,000	\$1,035,000	\$235,000
Polk	1	NE'/SW'/	16-T15N-R01W	Pasture	40.00	40.00				\$ 15,500	\$ 15,500	
Scotts Bluff	9	25.41 acres in S'//SW'/	36-T21N-R55W	Residential acreage and pasture	25.41				25.41	\$ 49,000	\$ 49,000	
	4	Total Parcels Sold during Fisc	al Year 1996 – 1997	,	103.19	40.00	33.78	0.00	29.41	\$870,900	\$1,105,900	\$235,000 (21.25%)

TOTAL LAND SALES FOR THE BIENNIUM

COUNTY	PLAT #	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	SEC-TWN-RGE	CHARACTERISTICS OF THE LAND	TOTAL	GRASS ACRES	CROP ACRES	CRP ACRES	OTHER ACRES	APPRAISED VALUE	SALE PRICE	EXCESS OVER APPRAISED VALUE
Arthur	40	All	36-T19N-R40W	Pasture	640.00	640.00				\$ 113,050	\$ 113,050	\$
Banner	22	All .	36-T17N-R56W	Pasture & CRP	640.00	337.30		302.70		90,250	90,250	
Banner	. 33	NE'/ except East 40' and W'/;	36-T19N-R57W	CRP & Pasture	477.58	94.28		383.30		76,250	90,000	13,750
Blaine	4	E%	36-T22N-R21W	Pasture	320.00	320.00				71,200	71,200	
Box Butte	16	3.76 acres in NE%	16-T27N-R48W	Residential acreage	3.76				3,76	4,960	4,960	
Box Butte	16	4.95 acres in SE1/4	16-T27N-R48W	Residential acreage	4.95				4.95	6,150	6,150	
Boyd	20	NE1/4	05-T34N-R11W	Pasture & CRP	160.00	109.70		50.30		55,750	55,750	
Boyd	38	S1/2	36-T35N-R13W	Pasture, Crop & CRP	320.00	182.00	92.00	46.00		117,500	150,000	32,500
Brown	14	All	36-T31N-R21W	Pasture	640.00	640.00				150,500	150,500	
Cedar	13	NWY-NWY-	36-T32N-R03E	Pasture	40.00	40.00				6,000	6,000	
Cedar	12A	E1/ME1/4	16-T31N-R03E	CRP & Pasture	80.00	5.70		74.30		52,500	52,700	200
Cherry	324	All	36-T28NR37W	Pasture	640.00	640.00				112,000	112,000	
Cherry	245	All	16-T26N-R34W	Pasture	640.00	640.00				126,700	126,700	
Cherry	269	All	36-T28N-R35W	Pasture	640.00	640.00				134,100	134,100	
Cherry	268	N1/2 and SE1/SE1/4	16-T28N-R35W	Pasture	360.00	360.00				62,900	62,900	
Cherry	243	All	16-T27N-R34W	Pasture	677.47	677.47				113,000	113,000	
Cherry	272	SW'/NW'/4 and S'/4	36-T29N-R35W	Pasture	360.00	360.00				128,500	128,500	
Cherry	272	N1/2 except SW1/4NW1/4	36-T29N-R35W	Pasture	280.00	280.00				42,000	42,000	
Cheyenne	40	10.65 acres in SE1/4	16-T16N-R50W	Residential acreage	10.65				10.65	8,525	8,525	
Dakota	2	W'/NE'/NE'/ and S'/NW'/NE'/	16-T29N-R07E	Pasture	40.00	40.00				8,000	12,000	4,000
Deuel	7	Ali	36-T13N-R43W	Pasture	640.00	640.00				93,500	93,500	
Garden	57	All	16-T23N-R44W	Pasture	666.48	666.48				100,500	100,500	
Hayes	3	All	16-T06N-R31W	Pasture & Cropground	631.00	521.00	110.00			190,000	190,000	
Hayes	15	E1/2 and E1/2 NW1/4	16-T06N-R32W	CRP & Pasture	400.00	106.50		293.50		92,500	100,000	7,500
Holt	10	NW1/4	36-T27N-H09W	CRP & Pasture	160.00	30.90		129.10		61,000	72,100	11,100
Holt	10	SE1/4	36-T27N-R09W	Pasture & CRP	160.00	115.70		44.30		52,500	52,500	
Holt	68	4.34 acres in SW1/-SE1/-	16-T29N-R12W	Residential acreage	4.34				4.34	5,540	8,500	2,960
Keith	6	10.7 acres in S1/2	36-T13N-R35W	Residential acreage	10.70				10,70	8,550	8,550	
Keith	10	N'/:SW'/.	24-T14N-R35W	Pasture	80.00	76.92			3.08	25,000	25,000	

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	Sioux Sioux	99 123	AN All	16-T34N-R56W 36-T35N-R57W	Pasture Pasture	640.00 640.00	640.00 640.00				67,550 68,800	67,550 68,800	
	Sioux	13	W'/s	36-T27N-R53W	CRP & Cropground	320.00	0.00	76,10	243.90		57.500	57,500	
	Sheridan	78	All	36-T24N-R44W	Pasture	716.40	716,40				113,000	113,000	
	Sheridan	65	E7:	16-129N-H43W 36-T29N-R43W	Pasture Pasture	320.00 640.00	320.00 640.00				61,000 102,000	61,000 102,000	
	Sheridan	39 64	All E1/2	16-130N-H42W 16-T29N-R43W	Pasture Pasture	640.00 320.00		26.00			146,500	146,500	
	Sheridan Sheridan	37 39	All All	16-T29N-R42W 16-T30N-R42W	Pasture	640.00	640.00 614.00	00.00			115,000	115,000	
	Sheridan	67	All	36-T30N-R43W	Pasture	640.00	640.00				120,000	120,000	
	Sheridan	129	N'/ANW'/4 and SW'/4	36-T25N-R46W	Pasture	240.00	240.00				40,000	40,000	
	Sheridan	129	NE'4	36-T25N-R46W	Pasture	160.00	160,00				21,000	21,000	
	Scotts Bluff	15	EYAWYA, WYAEYASWYA, NEYANEYASWYA and NYASEYANEYASWYA	16-T23N-R56W	Pasture	135.00	135.00			•	25,000	35,500	10,5
<u> </u>	Scotts Bluff	6	SW'/NW'/, SW'/, and SW'/SE'/	16-T23N-R54W	Pasture	240.00	240.00				25,650	40,150	14,5
N	Rock	33	E'/NE'/	36-T32N-R18W	CRP & Pasture	80.00	14,80	1.00	64.20		23,500	24,100	
	Platte	1	3.42 acres in SE1/4	36-T17N-RO1E	Residential acreage	3.42				3.42	4,620	7,550	2,9
	Pierce	13	NE'/4, N'/4NW'/4, SW'/4NW'/4, N'/4SE'/4	16-T26N-R04W	Pasture & CRP	360.00	145.00		215.00		205,000	205,000	
	Моггії	72, 73, 74	Alt of Sec. 34, Alt of Sec. 35 and W/r of Sec. 36-T20N-R51W	(See Legal Deec)	Pasture	1563.78	1563.78				320,000	320,000	
	McPherson	4	S1/a	36-T18N-R30W	CRP & Pasture	244.40	56.00		188.40		49,500	52,000	2,6
	<u>McPherson</u>	3	SW4	16-T18N-R30W	Pasture & CRP	160.00	87.40		72.60		29,500	29,500	_
	Loup	9	All lying north of North Loup River Rd	16-T21N-R18W	Pasture & CRP	320.00	287.20		32.80		66,750	66,750	
	Logan	23	All	16-T17N-R29W	Pasture & CRP	640.00	349.00		291.00		117,500	117,500	
	Logan	22	All	36-T20N-R28W	Pasture & CRP	627.80	408.60		219.20		110,500	110,500	
	Lincoln	74	All	16-T11N-R31W	Pasture	640.00	640.00				224,000	224,000	
	Lincoln	72	All	36-T09N-R31W	CRP & Pasture	640.00	143.50		496.50		158,500	158,500	٠,
	Lincoln	23	N'/2	16-T16N-R27W	Pasture & CRP	320.00	175.90		144,10		65,750	69,500	3.
	Lincoln	12	All	16-T10N-R27W	Pasture	640.00	640.00		O-12.50		128,000	128,000	
	Kimball Kimball	4 58	All All	16-T15N-R53W 36-T13N-R59W	Pasture & CRP CRP & Pasture	635.90 640.00	455.60 297.50		180.30 342.50		86,000 97,750	86,000 97,750	

OIL AND GAS LEASES BY COUNTY

K-12 School Trust Lands

As of June 30, 1998

	COUNTY	NO. OF LEASES	NO. OF ACRES UNDER LEASE
	Banner	14	 3,160.000
	Cherry	5	 3,003.910
	Cheyenne	23	 10,671.510
	Deuel	4	 2,555.000
	Dundy	14	8,319.000
પુ	Furnas	2	 1,200.000
•	Harlan	1	 640.000
	Hayes	1	 640.000
	Hitchcock	8	 3,359.000
	Kimball	51	 26,163.450
	Morrill	9	 5,160.290
	Red Willow	7	 2,080.000
	Scotts Bluff	2	 640.000
	Sioux	10	 4,878.140
	17 Counties	151	 72,470.300

There were no oil or gas leases covering University, Agricultural College or State College (Normal School) Lands.

OIL AND GAS ROYALTIES BY COUNTY

K-12 School Trust Lands

July 1, 1996 to June 30, 1998

	Banner	46,146.62
	Cheyenne\$	132,569.34
	Dundy \$,	196,551.67
	Fumas\$	7,407.29
23	Hitchcock\$	194,611.80
ω	Kimball \$	285,935.86
	Morrill \$	82,335.56
	Red Willow\$	52,556.67
	Scotts Bluff\$	19,220.88
	TOTAL	017 225 60
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There were no oil or gas royalties from University, Agricultural College or State College (Normal School) Lands.

