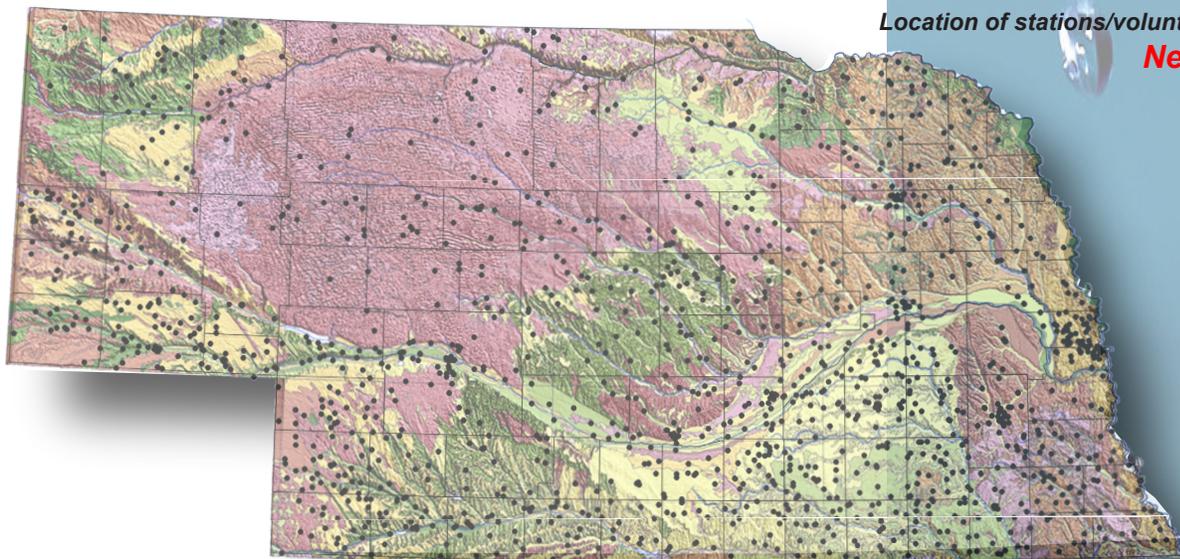




# The **Ne**braska **R**ainfall **A**ssessment and **I**nformation **N**etwork



Location of stations/volunteers in  
**NeRAIN**

The **Nebraska Rainfall Assessment and Information Network** – or **NeRAIN** for short and pronounced as “AnyRain?” began in Nebraska in 2004.

**NeRAIN** is a network of just under **1,000 active volunteers** who donate a few minutes each day to observe and record the rain and snow amounts that occur at their station. Volunteers are provided a four-inch diameter rain gauge approved by the National Weather Service, trained in proper measurement techniques and locating rain gauge sites for maximum exposure, and how to submit their precipitation observations. The results are entered directly into a website developed by and housed at the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources that’s available for viewing and analysis immediately. Other organizations supporting **NeRAIN** include the state’s natural resources districts, University of Nebraska–Lincoln Extension and the Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund.

The **goal** of **NeRAIN** is to have approximately one observer for every township in rural areas and more observers in the urban areas of Nebraska. To get the best distribution possible, not all volunteers will be accepted but if you are interested, please go to <http://nerain.dnr.nebraska.gov/nerain/> (or Google “**NeRAIN**”) look over the website, look at the volunteer stations/locations map to see where gaps occur and if you feel you can contribute to this project, please fill out the online application form to start the process of becoming a **NeRAIN** volunteer.



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