



# Minnesota Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Corn planting ramped up in southern Minnesota, while farmers in the state saw 4.1 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending April 20, 2025, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Field activities included spring tillage, rock picking, manure hauling, fertilizer application, and sugarbeet planting. Livestock were doing well with calving and lambing continuing.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 4 percent very short, 27 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were rated 5 percent very short, 37 percent short, 53 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus.

Corn planted was at 9 percent complete, compared to 7 percent last year and the five-year average of 4 percent. Soybeans were 3 percent planted, a couple of days behind last year but ahead of the five-year average of 1 percent.

Barley, oats, and spring wheat were 2 percent, 21 percent, and 3 percent planted, respectively.

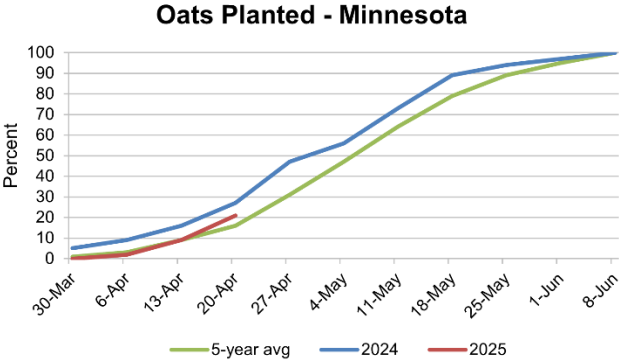
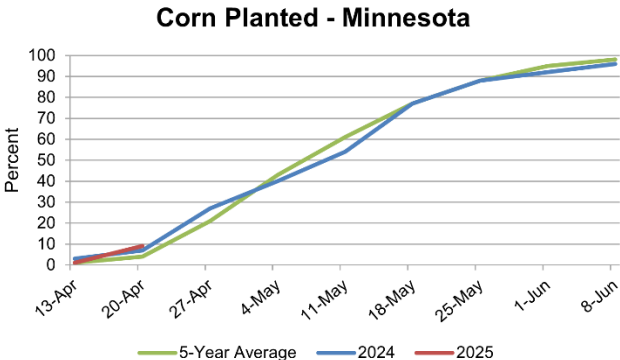
Potatoes were 8 percent planted, and sugarbeets 2 percent planted.

### Crop Progress as of April 20, 2025

Item	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn planted .....	9	1	7	4
Oats planted .....	21	9	27	16
Potatoes planted .....	8	1	3	3

### Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of April 20, 2025

Item	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable .....	4.1	2.6	3.0
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short .....	4	4	8
Short .....	27	24	22
Adequate .....	62	63	61
Surplus .....	7	9	9
Subsoil moisture			
Very short .....	5	6	10
Short .....	37	39	31
Adequate .....	53	50	55
Surplus .....	5	5	4



Additional soil moisture data are available at: <https://nassgeo.csiss.gmu.edu/CropCASMA/>