



Minnesota Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Minnesota farmers averaged 4.1 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending April 27, 2025, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. This average was much lower in the south, however, where rains hampered planting. Field activities included spring tillage, rock picking, manure hauling, fertilizer application, and planting. No livestock issues were reported.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 19 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were rated 4 percent very short, 31 percent short, 60 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus.

Corn planting was 26 percent complete, on pace with last year but two days ahead of the five-year average. Soybean planting, at 13 percent, was also keeping up with 2024 progress. On average since 2020, soybeans reach 13 percent planted on May 1.

Barley was 9 percent planted, oats 33 percent, and spring wheat 14 percent. An estimated 6 percent of the 2025 oat crop has emerged.

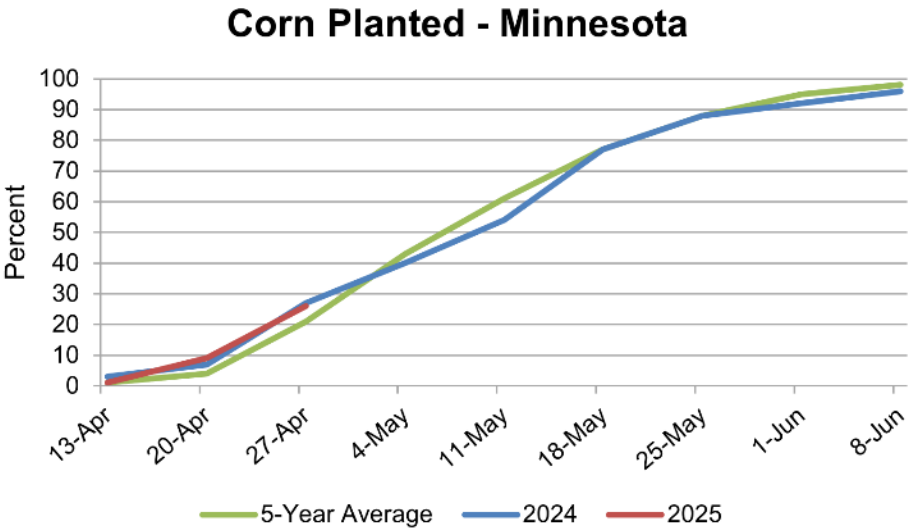
Potatoes were 17 percent planted, and sugarbeets 44 percent planted.

Crop Progress as of April 27, 2025

Item	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley planted	9	2	27	14
Corn planted	26	9	27	21
Oats planted	33	21	47	31
Oats emerged	6	2	14	8
Potatoes planted	17	8	17	12
Soybeans planted	13	3	13	6
Spring wheat planted	14	3	44	17
Sugarbeets planted	44	2	74	29

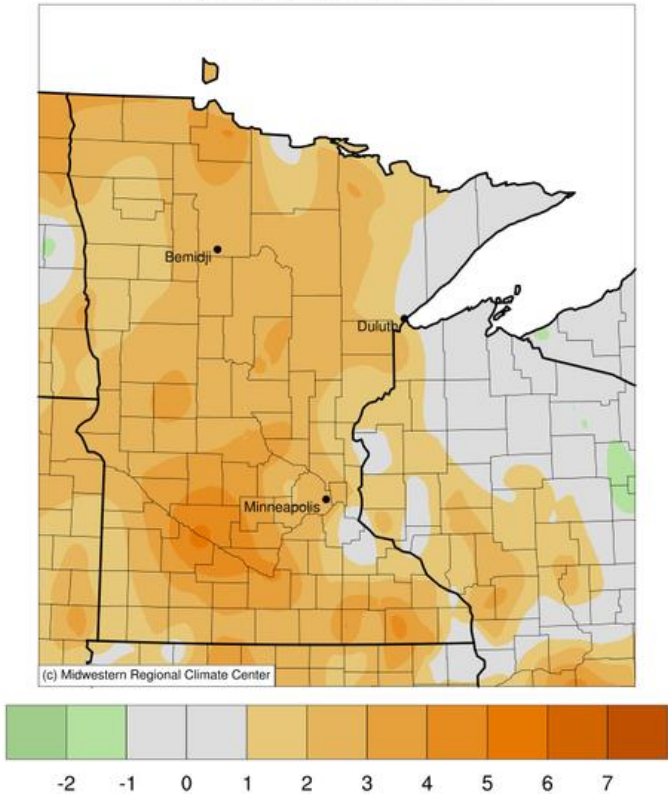
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of April 27, 2025

Item	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable	4.1	4.1	4.1
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short	3	4	5
Short	19	27	16
Adequate	68	62	64
Surplus	10	7	15
Subsoil moisture			
Very short	4	5	7
Short	31	37	22
Adequate	60	53	65
Surplus	5	5	6

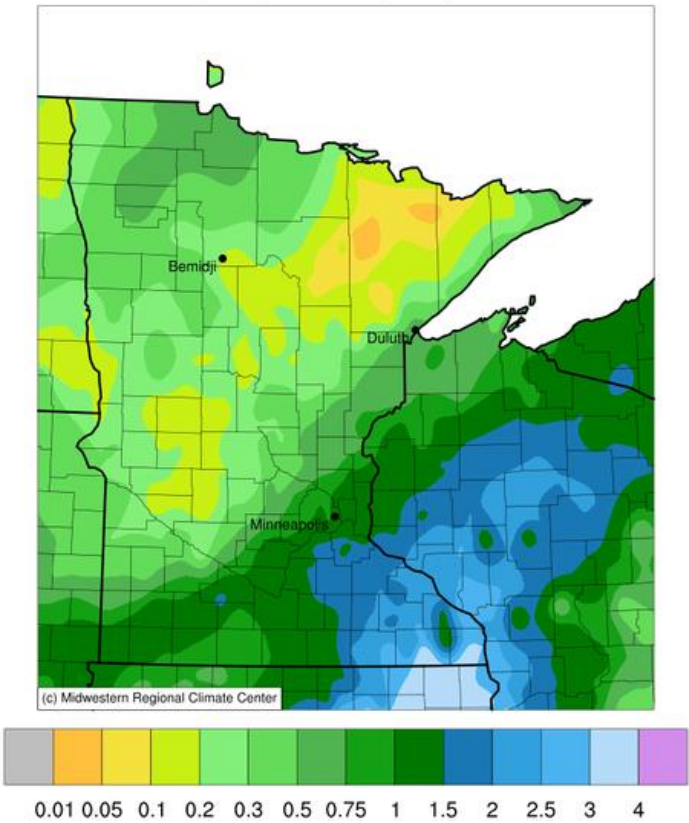


The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
April 21, 2025 to April 27, 2025



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
April 21, 2025 to April 27, 2025



Temperature and Precipitation Maps, courtesy of the Midwestern Regional Climate Center, are available at:
<https://mrcc.purdue.edu/CLIMATE/>

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