



Minnesota Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Minnesota farmers averaged 3.6 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending May 4, 2025, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Most of the state received some much-needed rain, but it did slow down planting in some areas. No livestock issues were reported.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 14 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 23 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus.

Corn planting was 44 percent complete, putting planting progress two days ahead of 2024. **Soybeans** were 22 percent planted, reaching that level five days earlier than a year ago. Both corn and soybeans were a day ahead of the five-year average.

Barley planting was 22 percent complete, with 5 percent of the 2024 crop emerged. **Oats** reached 51 percent planted and 15 percent emerged, and **spring wheat** was 30 percent planted and 5 percent emerged.

Dry edible beans reached 10 percent planted, **potatoes** reached 23 percent, **sugarbeets** 77 percent, and **sunflowers** 4 percent.

Pasture condition was rated 2 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 43 percent fair, 43 percent good, and 7 percent excellent.

Crop Condition as of May 4, 2025

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range ...	2	5	43	43	7

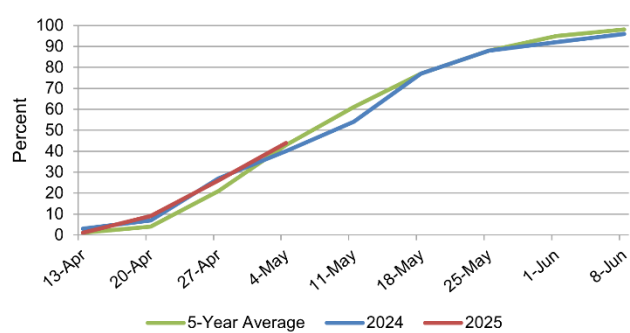
Crop Progress as of May 4, 2025

Item	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley planted	22	9	36	28
Barley emerged	5	0	8	7
Corn planted	44	26	40	43
Dry ed. beans planted	10	0	3	4
Oats planted	51	33	56	47
Oats emerged	15	6	24	21
Potatoes planted	23	17	33	29
Soybeans planted	22	13	17	20
Spring wheat planted	30	14	51	32
Spring wheat emerged	5	0	16	10
Sugarbeets planted	77	44	83	45

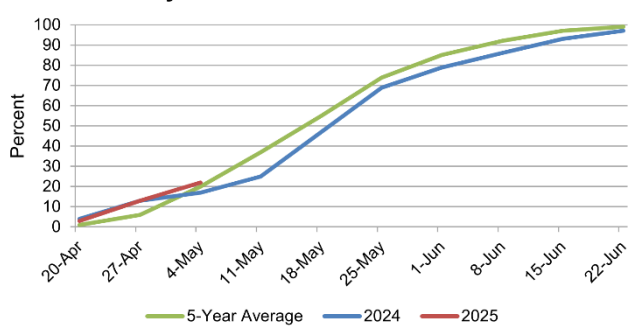
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of May 4, 2025

Item	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable	3.6	4.1	1.3
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short	3	3	2
Short	14	19	10
Adequate	75	68	65
Surplus	8	10	23
Subsoil moisture			
Very short	3	4	4
Short	23	31	16
Adequate	69	60	65
Surplus	5	5	15

Corn Planted - Minnesota

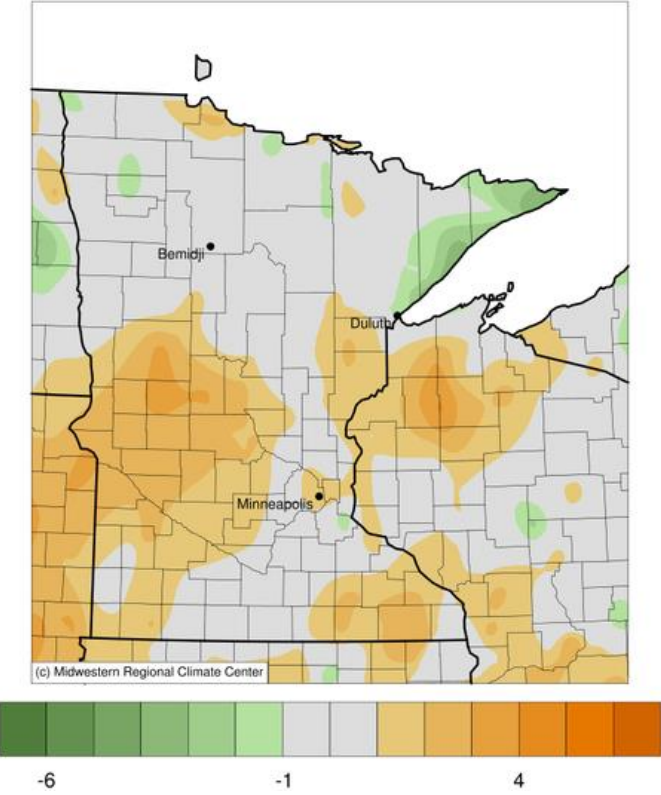


Soybeans Planted - Minnesota

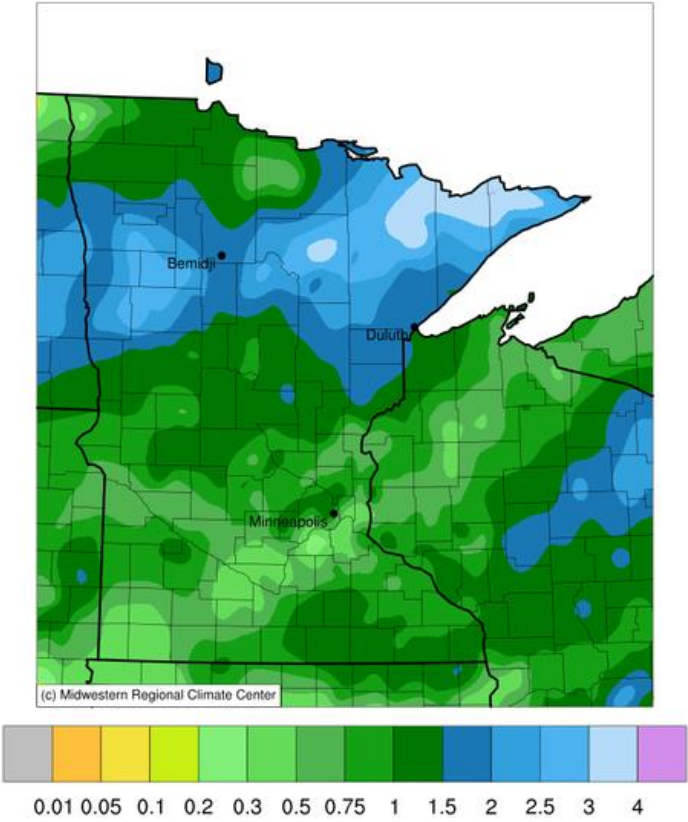


The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
April 28, 2025 to May 04, 2025



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
April 28, 2025 to May 04, 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/>