



# Minnesota Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Unseasonably hot, dry weather yielded 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending May 11, 2025, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Farmers took advantage, making substantial planting progress.

**Topsoil moisture** supplies were rated 6 percent very short, 27 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 6 percent very short, 27 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

**Corn** planting was 75 percent complete, hitting that mark 6 days sooner than both last year and the five-year average. Thirty percent of the 2025 corn crop had emerged, about 5 days ahead of average. **Soybeans** were 52 percent planted, eight days ahead of 2024 and six days earlier than average. At 14 percent, soybean emergence was about a week ahead of the five-year average.

**Barley** planting was 48 percent complete, with 13 percent of the crop emerged. **Oats** reached 72 percent planted and 34 percent emerged, and **spring wheat** was 67 percent planted and 20 percent emerged.

**Dry edible beans** reached 18 percent planted, **potatoes** reached 48 percent, **sugarbeets** 91 percent, and **sunflowers** 21 percent.

**Hay** condition was rated 2 percent very poor, 3 percent poor, 38 percent fair, 48 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. **Pasture condition** was rated 2 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 40 percent fair, 46 percent good, and 8 percent excellent.

## Crop Condition as of May 11, 2025

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Hay, all .....	2	3	38	48	9
Pasture and range ...	2	4	40	46	8

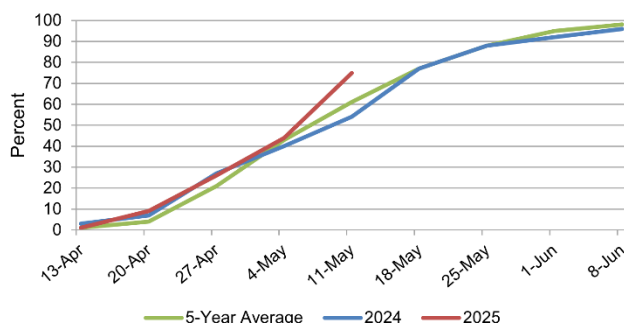
## Crop Progress as of May 11, 2025

Item	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley planted .....	48	22	59	44
Barley emerged .....	13	5	21	20
Corn planted .....	75	44	54	61
Corn emerged .....	30	3	13	15
Dry ed. beans planted .....	18	10	11	12
Oats planted .....	72	51	73	64
Oats emerged .....	34	15	40	37
Oats jointing .....	5	0	5	3
Potatoes planted .....	48	23	53	49
Soybeans planted .....	52	22	25	37
Soybeans emerged .....	14	1	3	3
Spring wheat planted .....	67	30	68	46
Spring wheat emerged .....	20	5	37	22
Sugarbeets planted .....	91	77	90	61
Sunflowers planted .....	21	4	0	10

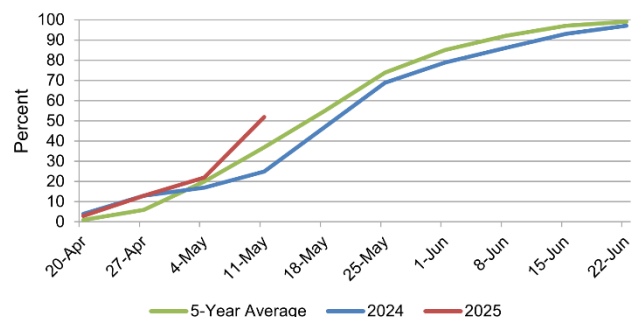
## Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of May 11, 2025

Item	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable .....	6.6	3.6	3.0
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short .....	6	3	2
Short .....	27	14	8
Adequate .....	65	75	70
Surplus .....	2	8	20
Subsoil moisture			
Very short .....	6	3	3
Short .....	27	23	15
Adequate .....	64	69	68
Surplus .....	3	5	14

Corn Planted - Minnesota

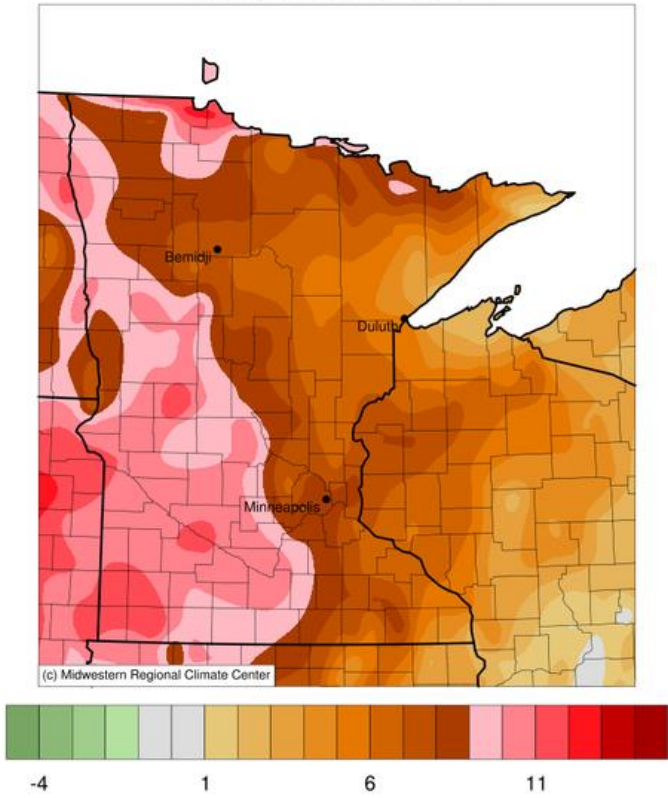


Soybeans Planted - Minnesota

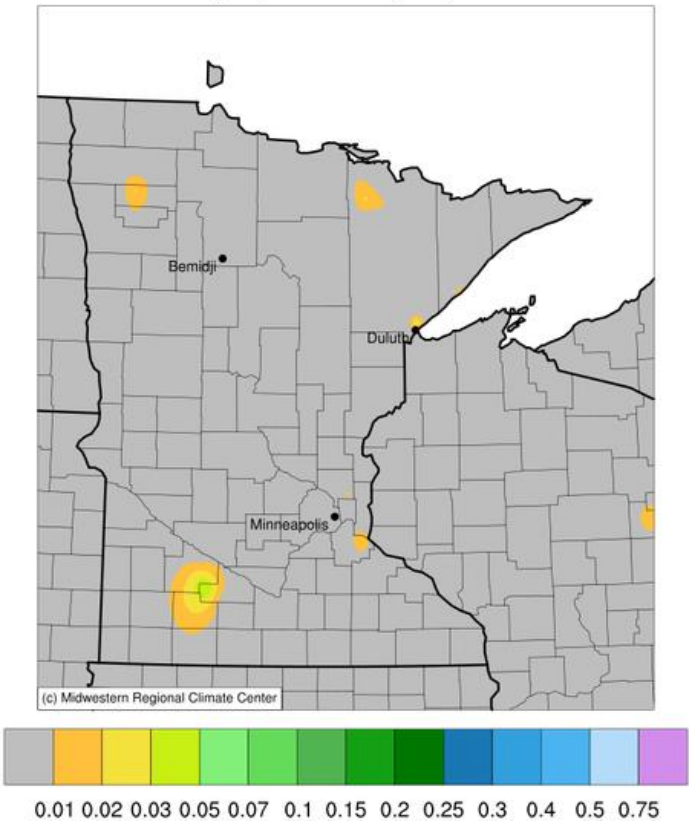


The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at [www.nass.usda.gov/Publications](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications).

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals  
May 05, 2025 to May 11, 2025



Accumulated Precipitation (in)  
May 05, 2025 to May 11, 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/>