



Minnesota Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Minnesota farmers averaged 3.3 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending May 25, 2025, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Most of the state received at least an inch of rain, with some counties seeing upwards of four.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 14 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 20 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus.

Corn planting was 97 percent complete, reaching that level ten days sooner than the five-year average. Seventy eight percent of the 2025 corn crop had emerged, putting emergence one week ahead of average. Soybeans were 91 percent planted, thirteen days earlier than average and nineteen days ahead of 2024. At 56 percent, soybean emergence was about six days ahead of the five-year average. Corn condition was rated 69 percent good to excellent.

Barley planting was 90 percent complete, with 64 percent of the 2024 crop emerged and 7 percent jointing. Oats reached 97 percent planted, 76 percent emerged, and 20 percent jointing. Spring wheat was 97 percent planted, 80 percent emerged, and 6 percent jointing. Crop conditions were rated 90, 71, and 82 percent good to excellent, respectively.

Dry edible beans reached 75 percent planted and 34 percent emerged. Potatoes reached 93 percent planted, and sunflowers 61 percent planted. Alfalfa hay first cutting was 7 percent complete.

Hay condition was rated 2 percent very poor, 3 percent poor, 41 percent fair, 43 percent good, and 11 percent excellent. Pasture condition was rated 2 percent very poor, 3 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 49 percent good, and 9 percent excellent.

Crop Condition as of May 25, 2025

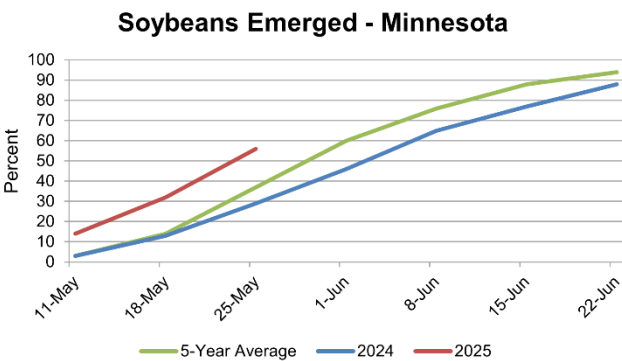
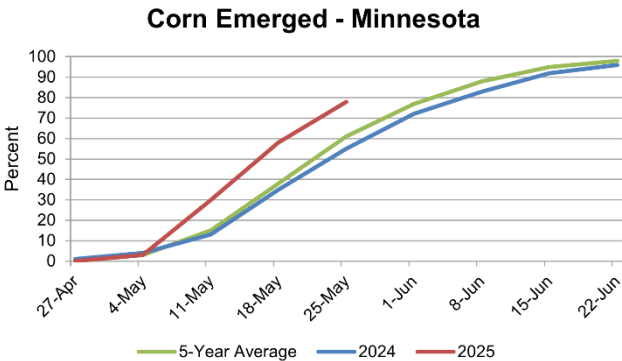
Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley	0	1	9	86	4
Corn	4	3	24	60	9
Hay, all	2	3	41	43	11
Oats	1	1	27	62	9
Pasture and range ...	2	3	37	49	9
Spring wheat	0	2	16	77	5

Crop Progress as of May 25, 2025

Item	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley planted	90	77	89	79
Barley emerged	64	42	70	55
Barley jointing	7	1	17	11
Corn planted	97	92	88	88
Corn emerged	78	58	55	61
Dry ed. beans planted	75	50	36	46
Dry ed. beans emerged	34	8	6	16
Hay, alfalfa, first cutting	7	4	5	6
Oats planted	97	92	94	88
Oats emerged	76	55	78	70
Oats jointing	20	11	28	21
Potatoes planted	93	82	88	80
Soybeans planted	91	81	69	74
Soybeans emerged	56	32	29	37
Spring wheat planted	97	93	95	80
Spring wheat emerged	80	56	80	57
Spring wheat jointing	6	1	27	13
Sunflowers planted	61	44	46	47

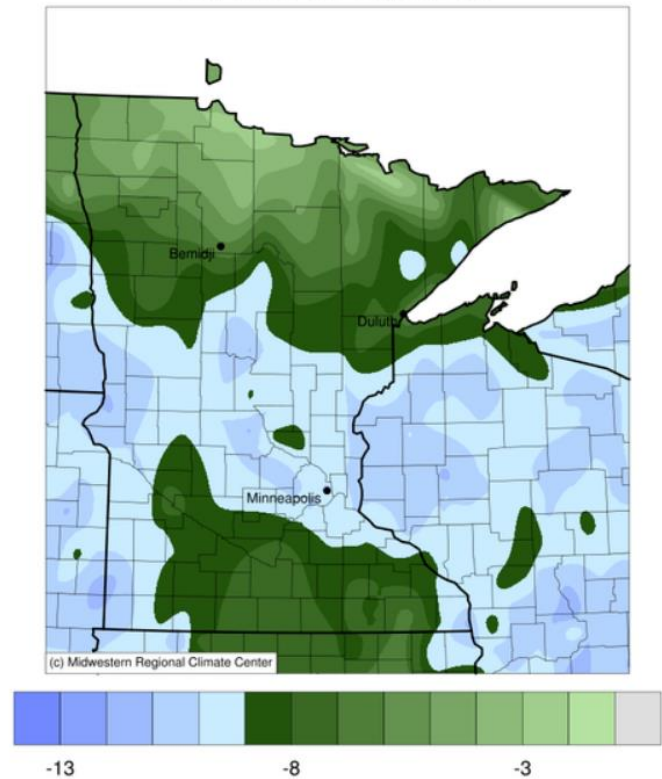
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of May 25, 2025

Item	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable	3.3	4.9	2.4
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short	1	6	0
Short	14	25	5
Adequate	73	64	64
Surplus	12	5	31
Subsoil moisture			
Very short	2	6	1
Short	20	27	8
Adequate	72	64	69
Surplus	6	3	22

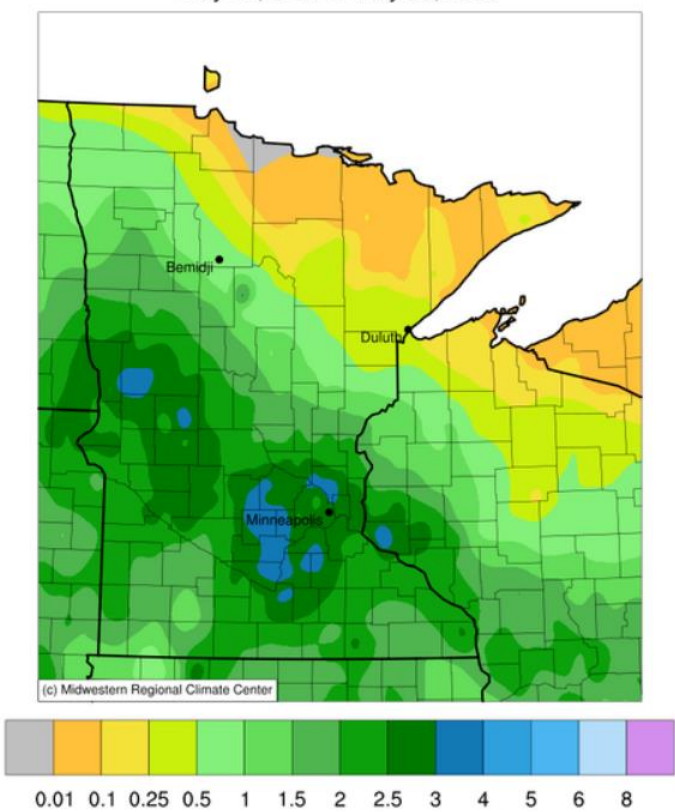


The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
May 19, 2025 to May 25, 2025



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 19, 2025 to May 25, 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/>