



Wisconsin Crop Progress & Condition



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Wisconsin had 4.2 **days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending June 16, 2019, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Showers rolled through some part of the state nearly every day this week as farmers worked to finish up spring plantings. Overcast skies and below normal temperatures were not ideal for crop development or making dry hay. With forage short, many producers were cutting their first crop for haylage instead of waiting for conditions to improve. Reporters commented that most of the corn and soybeans that are going to be planted this year were already in the ground. Prevented plantings were reported in many areas. Dairies and livestock producers may continue seeding late corn for silage or switch to alternate forage crops.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 66 percent adequate and 33 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 65 percent adequate and 34 percent surplus.

As of June 16, **spring tillage** was 93 percent complete statewide, 15 days behind last year.

Corn planting was 87 percent complete, 15 days behind last year and 18 days behind the average. Corn emerged was reported at 66 percent, 16 days behind both last year and the average. Corn condition was 54 percent good to excellent, up 1 percentage point from last week.

Seventy seven percent of **soybeans** were planted, 14 days behind last year and 15 days behind the average. Forty seven percent of soybeans had emerged, 14 days behind both last year and the average.

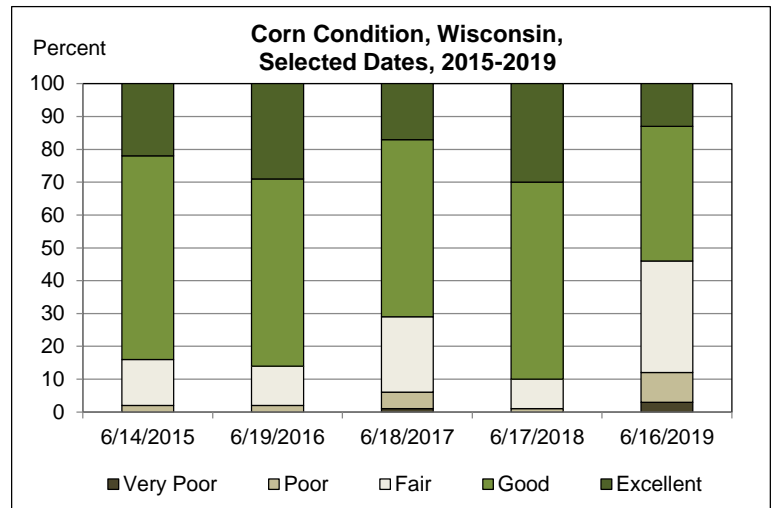
Winter wheat was 48 percent headed, 7 days behind last year, and 9 days behind the average. Winter wheat condition was 45 percent good to excellent, unchanged from last week.

Oats emerged was 80 percent complete, 15 days behind last year and 18 days behind the average. Nine percent of oats had headed, 8 days behind both last year and the average. Oat condition was 70 percent good to excellent, 4 percentage points above last week.

Potato condition was 79 percent good to excellent, 6 percentage points ahead of last week.

The first cutting of **alfalfa** was reported as 60 percent complete, 9 days behind last year and 10 days behind the average. **All hay** condition was reported 37 percent in good to excellent condition, even with last week.

Pasture condition was rated 60 percent in good to excellent condition, up 3 percentage points from last week.



Crop Condition as of June 16, 2019

	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Corn	3	9	34	41	13
Hay (all)	12	25	26	28	9
Oats	1	5	24	53	17
Pasture & range...	3	9	28	41	19
Potatoes	0	3	18	64	15
Winter wheat.....	4	12	39	33	12

Crop Progress as of June 16, 2019

Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay, first cutting.....	45	22	48	67	47	72	73	70	62	60	41	83	82
Corn planted.....	87	81	79	91	86	78	95	92	83	87	78	98	99
Corn emerged.....	65	38	46	78	72	56	76	73	46	66	48	95	94
Oats planted.....	96	85	90	97	92	93	98	97	96	94	91	100	100
Oats emerged.....	80	52	81	88	69	74	93	92	85	80	70	96	98
Oats headed.....	0	1	1	1	4	1	21	36	8	9	5	30	28
Soybeans planted.....	80	69	72	85	77	73	85	79	58	77	60	95	96
Soybeans emerged.....	50	18	34	60	51	39	55	54	21	47	26	86	85
Spring tillage.....	98	82	89	96	93	89	98	94	89	93	88	100	99
Winter wheat headed.....	36	41	14	55	37	44	41	63	62	48	22	69	75

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of June 16, 2019

Item	Districts									State		
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable.....	4.9	5.2	2.3	4.4	4.4	3.2	4.7	4.2	4.0	4.2	5.2	5.3
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture												
Very short.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Short.....	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	1	1	12
Adequate.....	73	62	39	67	53	64	90	61	64	66	70	72
Surplus.....	27	38	61	33	45	36	9	38	36	33	29	15
Subsoil moisture												
Very short.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Short.....	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	1	8
Adequate.....	73	52	45	71	57	60	92	61	47	65	65	79
Surplus.....	27	48	55	29	41	40	6	38	53	34	34	12

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Selected Quotes from Farm Reporters and County Ag Agents

All comments are used in creating this report, but only a few are published below.

NW—BARRON-T.B.: Growers wrapping up planting operations, some re-planting of skipped wet areas. Hay harvesting continued but yields falling short of normal. Overall, corn and soybeans growing very well but fields planted into terminated hay stands facing perennial weed competition.

NW—SAWYER-K.S.: Most corn and soybeans that are going to get planted are planted. There were many areas that needed to get replanted due to flooding or wet conditions. Focus now turns to planting alternative forages to replace lost acres from winter injury.

NC—ASHLAND/IRON-K.R.: Spring planted crops have begun to emerge. Abundant sunshine has allowed first crop made for silage to begin.

NC—MARATHON-A.N.: One week of good planting weather. Still feeling the loss of the hay.

NE—SHAWANO-B.R.: Many farmers have now decided to go with prevent planting on the balance of their acres that have not been planted. Only about 30 percent of all the crops planted are emerged at this point. Even the crops that were planted a month ago are only a few inches high. Alfalfa haylage harvest has started but with rain every other day, it is difficult to get much done.

WC—ST CROIX-D.K.: New seedings are coming up well with sufficient moisture. Hay harvest has gone fast with the low acres. Yield is down even on better stands

C—PORTAGE/WOOD-J.W.: 2.5 inches of rainfall late in the week stalled most activities. Much progress was made before the rains with corn, soybean and oats planting. Lots of manure hauling also was done. Small amounts of hay made. Potatoes, snap beans and peas look good, sweet corn only fair. Need a few dry days to resume work.

C/EC—OUTAGAMIE/WAUPACA-D.L.H.: Cool weather is slowing crop maturity. Many producers have abandoned planting corn or soybeans on heavy soils due to the prolonged wet conditions.

EC—BROWN-J.M.: Cropping conditions have been improving. Wet conditions in parts of county. Some fields may not be planted.

EC—SHEBOYGAN-T.S.: The week started with warmth and sunshine and good progress. Then the rains returned dropping another 1.5 inches on most of the county. Producers are still hopeful to get additional seed in the ground. More rain in the forecast for the upcoming week might change those plans.

SW—CRAWFORD/GRANT-M.D.: Cloudy, rainy, and cool temperatures slowed field work last week with more rain predicted essentially every day this coming week.

SC—COLUMBIA-K.W.: Producers are finishing up with planting. There are a lot of prevent plant acres this year.

SE—WALWORTH-C.O.: Foggy, rainy, windy and 60 degree temps.

Wisconsin Weekly Weather, Selected Cities, Ending as of 7:00 a.m. on June 16, 2019

City	Temperature						Growing degree days (modified base 50) 1/		Precipitation				
	Avg. max.	Avg. min.	High max.	Low min.	Avg.	Avg. dep. from normal *	Mar. 1 to Jun. 15	Mar. 1 to Jun. 15 normal*	Last Week	Since Jun. 1	Jun. 1 dep. from normal *	Year to date	Year dep. from normal *
Eau Claire.....	73	49	81	38	61	-5	577	666	0.14	0.21	-1.89	18.58	+6.20
Green Bay	69	52	79	48	61	-3	521	586	1.31	1.66	+0.05	17.59	+6.39
La Crosse	77	54	84	47	65	-3	752	759	2.01	2.33	+0.50	19.24	+6.50
Madison.....	74	53	78	48	63	-3	681	747	0.42	1.45	-0.43	19.16	+5.86
Milwaukee.....	73	53	80	51	63	-2	553	NA	1.62	2.27	+0.64	20.08	+5.53

1/ Formula used: GDD = (daily maximum (86°) + daily minimum (50°))/2-50°; where 86° is used if the maximum exceeds 86° and 50° is used if the minimum falls below 50°. *Normal based on 1971-2000 data. NA=not available. T=trace Source: NCEP/NOAA Climate Prediction Center <https://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov>.

For more weather data, please reference the following sites:

<https://www.noaa.gov/> <http://www.aos.wisc.edu/~sco/> <https://www.cocorahs.org/> <https://www.weather.gov/>

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