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Wisconsin Crop Progress & Condition

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Wisconsin had 5.2 **days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending November 29, 2020, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Up to 5 inches of snow fell across southern and central Wisconsin at the beginning of this week but sunny days and above normal temperatures melted it off quickly. This left the ground too wet to support machinery in some areas. However, many farmers were already done with fall fieldwork and storing their equipment for the winter. A few producers were harvesting the last of the standing corn, baling corn stalks, tilling fields and spreading manure. With the ground not yet frozen, some reporters noted that tillage and manure spreading may continue into December. Adequate soil moisture and warm temperatures throughout November have left fall planted and perennial crops well prepared to overwinter. Overall, this fall has been excellent for crop progress and condition, particularly in contrast to the very wet and slow harvest season of 2019.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 2% very short, 8% short, 78% adequate and 12% surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 2% very short, 9% short, 80% adequate and 9% surplus.

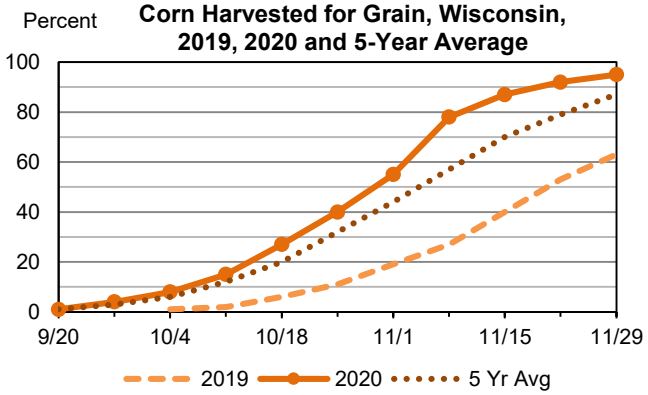
Corn for grain harvest was 95% complete, more than 4 weeks ahead of last year and 10 days ahead of the 5-year average. The moisture content of corn harvested for grain was reported at 17%.

Ninety-seven percent of **winter wheat** was emerged, more than 4 weeks ahead of last year. Winter wheat condition rated 84% good to excellent statewide, unchanged from last week.

Fall tillage was reported as 84 complete, more than 4 weeks ahead of last year and more than a week ahead of the average.

This is the final weekly *Wisconsin Crop Progress and Condition* of the season. The USDA's National Agriculture Statistics Service would like to thank the many farmers and FSA, NRCS, Extension, and agribusiness personnel who provided the information for this report each week.

The new season of *Wisconsin Crop Progress and Condition* is scheduled to begin April 5, 2021.



Crop Condition as of November 29, 2020

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Winter wheat	1	1	14	48	36

Crop Progress as of November 29, 2020

Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-yr average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn harvested for grain.....	92	98	75	96	95	94	99	97	95	95	92	63	87
Fall tillage.....	85	41	74	88	95	88	92	83	92	84	79	43	73

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of November 29, 2020

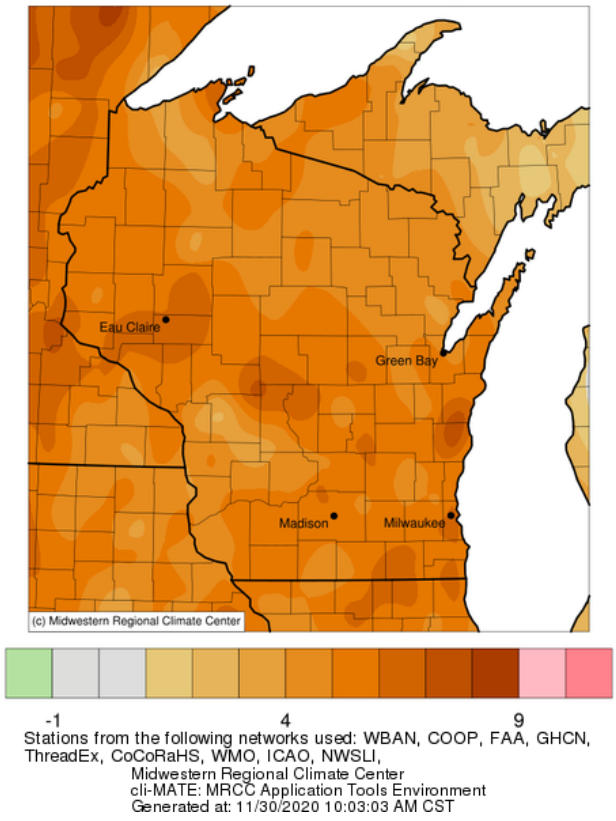
Item	Districts									State		
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable.....	4.7	6.0	4.1	6.0	5.4	5.6	5.2	4.4	4.9	5.2	5.6	3.0
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture												
Very Short	1	0	0	2	0	3	0	7	2	2	2	0
Short	4	10	1	21	1	5	0	13	10	8	11	0
Adequate.....	88	76	60	76	78	77	95	69	72	78	76	69
Surplus.....	7	14	39	1	21	15	5	11	16	12	11	31
Subsoil moisture												
Very Short	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	7	2	2	2	0
Short	4	0	4	31	1	5	1	12	11	9	11	0
Adequate.....	93	93	58	66	82	77	98	71	83	80	77	72
Surplus.....	2	7	38	1	17	17	1	10	4	9	10	28

Wisconsin Temperatures and Precipitation for the Week Ending November 29, 2020

Maps from the Midwestern Regional Climate Center reflect data collected from 7:00 A.M. Central Time on November 23, 2020, through 7:00 A.M. Central Time on November 29, 2020.

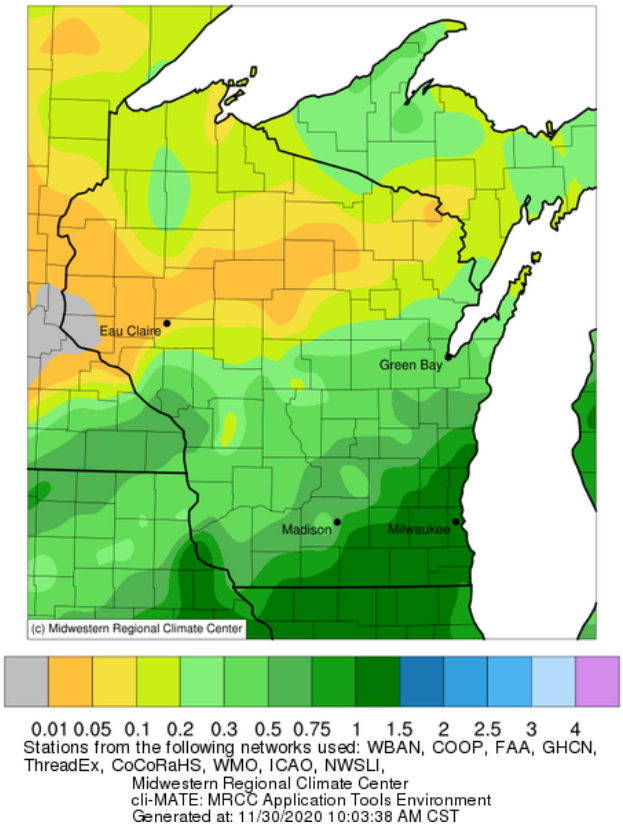
Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

November 23, 2020 to November 29, 2020



Accumulated Precipitation (in)

November 23, 2020 to November 29, 2020



Temperature and Precipitation Maps, courtesy of the Midwestern Regional Climate Center, are available at: http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu/CLIMATE/

National Weather Service data, courtesy of the Wisconsin State Climatology Office, is available at: http://www.aos.wisc.edu/~sco/clim-watch/index.html

Wisconsin Weekly Weather, Selected Cities, Ending as of 7:00 a.m. on November 29, 2020

City	Temperature						Precipitation				
	Avg. max.	Avg. min.	High max.	Low min.	Avg.	Avg. dep. from normal *	Last Week	Since Sep. 1	Sep. 1 dep. from normal *	Year to date	Year dep. from normal *
Eau Claire	39	26	52	19	32	+5	0.02	5.31	-2.38	27.00	-2.86
Green Bay	41	28	47	21	35	+5	0.35	9.18	+1.74	33.12	+5.35
La Crosse	42	30	53	24	36	+5	0.63	7.63	+0.05	29.65	-1.92
Madison	42	29	50	21	36	+5	0.74	8.85	+1.15	38.29	+5.81
Milwaukee	46	35	51	29	41	+6	1.21	5.59	-2.74	34.92	+2.49

* Normal based on 1981-2010 data. (NA)=not available. T=trace
Source: NCEP/NOAA Climate Prediction Center http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov.

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