



Wisconsin had 6.3 **days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending September 17, 2023, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Some areas in the North and South received rain, however most of the state remained dry. Fieldwork included harvesting corn for silage, cutting hay, and planting winter wheat.

**Topsoil moisture** condition rated 29 percent very short, 35 percent short, 36 percent adequate and 0 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 31 percent very short, 37 percent short, 32 percent adequate and 0 percent surplus.

**Corn** in the dough stage or beyond was 96 percent. Eighty percent of the corn crop was dented, 2 days ahead of last year and the five-year average. Thirty-two percent of the corn crop was mature. Corn condition was 51 percent good to excellent, up 1 percent from last week. Corn for silage harvest was 37 percent complete, 7 days ahead of last year and 1 day ahead of average.

**Soybeans** coloring was at 72 percent, 1 day ahead of last year. Twenty-nine percent of soybeans are dropping leaves. Soybean condition was 47 percent good to excellent, equal to last week.

Ninety-eight percent of the **oat** crop has been harvested.

Twenty-eight percent of the **winter wheat** crop has been planted, 4 days ahead of last year and 2 days ahead of average. Eight percent of the winter wheat crop has emerged.

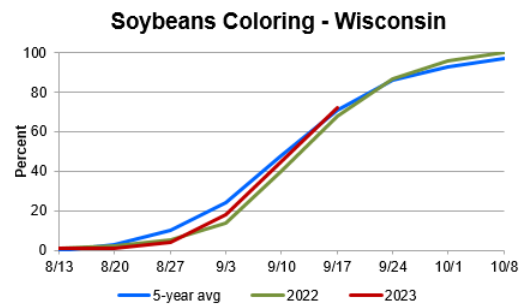
Fifty-three percent of the **potato** crop has been harvested, 6 days ahead of last year and 5 days ahead of the average.

The fourth cutting of **alfalfa** was 81 percent complete, equal to last year but 10 days ahead of the average.

**Pasture** condition was rated 22 good to excellent statewide, equal to last week.

**Crop Condition as of September 17, 2023**

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn .....	5	14	30	40	11
Pasture and range .	18	27	33	21	1
Soybeans .....	6	14	33	37	10



**Crop Progress as of September 17, 2023**

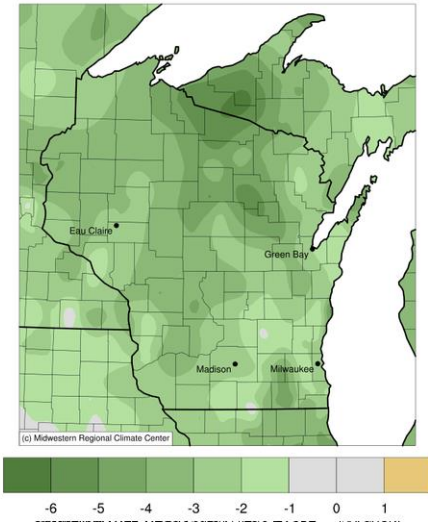
Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dough .....	99	81	96	100	97	95	99	93	100	96	92	95	93
Corn dented .....	79	48	72	91	79	78	90	80	79	80	66	76	76
Corn mature .....	26	8	14	28	20	27	59	34	42	32	16	21	27
Corn harvested for silage .....	42	12	17	50	45	23	63	69	48	37	18	18	34
Hay, alfalfa, 4th cutting .....	71	54	76	85	74	92	90	80	78	81	69	81	68
Oats harvested for grain .....	100	93	100	100	98	97	100	100	100	98	95	97	95
Soybeans coloring .....	90	52	45	74	52	63	81	80	71	72	45	68	71
Soybeans dropping leaves .....	38	13	10	32	10	12	47	36	28	29	9	16	31
Wheat, winter, planted .....	50	34	21	50	40	28	33	24	13	28	18	19	25
Wheat, winter, emerged .....	10	6	2	11	21	6	17	5	3	8	2	5	8

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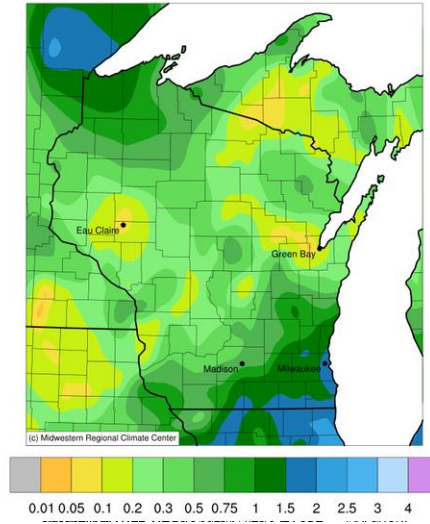
## Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of September 17, 2023

Item	Districts									State		
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
Days suitable .....	(days) 6.7	(days) 5.6	(days) 6.1	(days) 6.7	(days) 7.0	(days) 5.9	(days) 6.4	(days) 6.1	(days) 5.4	(days) 6.3	(days) 6.6	(days) 5.1
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture												
Very short .....	18	16	7	29	55	3	50	41	22	29	24	1
Short .....	50	37	18	45	27	15	31	39	54	35	40	9
Adequate .....	32	47	73	26	18	82	19	20	24	36	36	81
Surplus .....	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Subsoil moisture												
Very short .....	25	13	8	29	45	4	46	52	32	31	26	1
Short .....	47	37	21	49	37	21	37	37	50	37	38	16
Adequate .....	28	50	69	22	18	75	17	11	18	32	36	78
Surplus .....	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals  
September 11, 2023 to September 17, 2023



Accumulated Precipitation (in)  
September 11, 2023 to September 17, 2023



## Weather Information: Week Ending September 17, 2023

District and State	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days <sup>1</sup>	
	Average	Departure from Normal <sup>2</sup>	Total	Departure from Normal <sup>2</sup>	Since April 1	Departure from Normal <sup>2</sup>
Northwest .....	55.3	-1.6	0.53	-0.45	2,079	198
North Central .....	53.8	-2.1	0.26	-0.91	1,875	110
Northeast .....	55.9	-0.9	0.39	-0.77	1,960	145
West Central .....	59.1	-1.0	0.27	-0.83	2,516	206
Central .....	58.4	-1.6	0.40	-0.77	2,372	159
East Central .....	58.9	-1.7	0.41	-0.63	2,221	89
Southwest .....	60.2	-1.3	0.42	-0.57	2,544	149
South Central .....	60.2	-1.7	1.01	-0.06	2,507	107
Southeast .....	60.2	-2.4	1.41	0.38	2,447	71
Wisconsin .....	57.3	-1.6	0.48	-0.60	2,226	146

<sup>1</sup> Base 50° F.

<sup>2</sup> Normal based on 1991-2020 data.