



Wisconsin had 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending September 24, 2023, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Much of the state received rain, helping alleviate drought conditions. Fieldwork included planting winter wheat and harvesting potatoes and corn for silage.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 22 percent very short, 38 percent short, 40 percent adequate and 0 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 27 percent very short, 40 percent short, 33 percent adequate and 0 percent surplus.

Corn in the dough stage or beyond was 98 percent. Eighty-seven percent of the corn crop was dented. Forty-six percent of the corn crop was mature, 2 days ahead of last year and 1 day ahead of the five-year average. Corn condition was 49 percent good to excellent, down 2 percentage points from last week. Corn for silage harvest was 53 percent complete, 6 days ahead of last year.

Soybeans coloring was at 85 percent. Fifty-two percent of soybeans are dropping leaves, 1 day ahead of last year but 1 day behind the average. Soybean condition was 49 percent good to excellent, up 2 percentage points from last week.

Thirty-nine percent of the **winter wheat** crop has been planted and 16 percent of the crop has emerged.

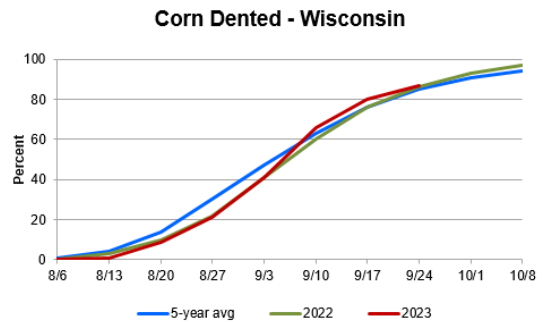
Sixty-five percent of the **potato** crop has been harvested, 8 days ahead of last year and 6 days ahead of the average.

The fourth cutting of **alfalfa** was 88 percent complete, equal to last year and 15 days ahead of the average.

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

Crop Condition as of September 24, 2023

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	5	15	31	38	11
Pasture and range .	16	25	37	20	2
Soybeans	5	14	32	38	11



Crop Progress as of September 24, 2023

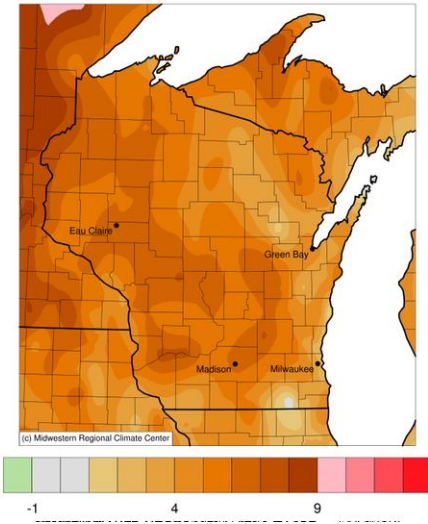
Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dented	88	57	81	97	89	82	97	83	86	87	80	86	85
Corn mature	43	11	21	48	30	36	78	50	50	46	32	39	44
Corn harvested for silage	61	25	37	62	58	39	86	83	67	53	37	36	52
Hay, alfalfa, 4th cutting	87	62	93	89	85	95	93	84	83	88	81	88	77
Soybeans coloring	98	65	82	84	75	84	94	89	81	85	72	87	86
Soybeans dropping leaves	64	24	25	61	43	28	74	62	41	52	29	49	57
Wheat, winter, planted	63	49	32	67	58	43	39	29	16	39	28	36	37
Wheat, winter, emerged	23	7	7	30	37	15	26	10	7	16	8	20	17

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

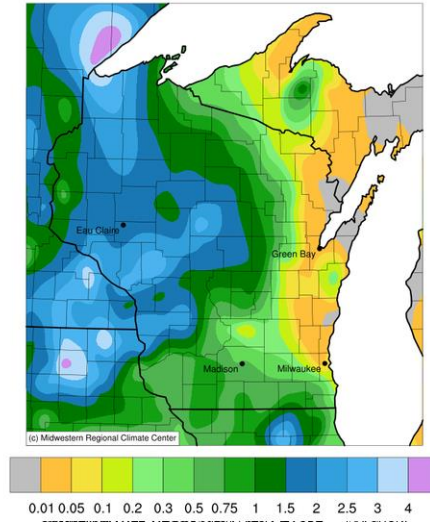
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of September 24, 2023

Item	Districts									State		
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
Days suitable	(days) 5.2	(days) 5.0	(days) 6.7	(days) 5.9	(days) 6.3	(days) 6.5	(days) 5.5	(days) 5.5	(days) 6.3	(days) 5.8	(days) 6.3	(days) 5.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	7	18	14	20	30	9	32	32	26	22	29	1
Short	29	26	43	43	50	34	34	41	49	38	35	10
Adequate	63	56	42	36	20	57	34	27	25	40	36	79
Surplus	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Subsoil moisture												
Very short	15	18	14	29	45	11	28	46	20	27	31	1
Short	38	43	25	43	44	30	47	36	53	40	37	15
Adequate	47	39	60	28	11	59	25	18	27	33	32	79
Surplus	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
September 18, 2023 to September 24, 2023



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
September 18, 2023 to September 24, 2023



Weather Information: Week Ending September 24, 2023

District and State	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days ¹	
	Average	Departure from Normal ²	Total	Departure from Normal ²	Since April 1	Departure from Normal ²
Northwest	63.2	10.2	1.48	0.61	2,170	239
North Central	60.0	8.4	1.27	0.37	1,935	125
Northeast	60.8	8.1	0.55	-0.28	2,023	160
West Central	65.0	9.4	2.17	1.14	2,619	243
Central	64.3	8.9	0.99	0.00	2,462	187
East Central	63.6	7.2	0.13	-0.75	2,302	104
Southwest	65.7	8.9	1.27	0.29	2,654	188
South Central	65.8	8.5	0.57	-0.38	2,616	144
Southeast	65.2	7.1	0.45	-0.45	2,553	100
Wisconsin	63.3	8.7	1.12	0.20	2,313	174

¹ Base 50° F.

² Normal based on 1991-2020 data.