



Wisconsin had **5.9 days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending October 8, 2023, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Most of the state remained dry and warmer than average, allowing for an increase in fieldwork. Fieldwork included harvesting corn and soybeans, planting winter wheat, and cutting hay.

**Topsoil moisture** condition rated 11 percent very short, 31 percent short, 57 percent adequate and 1 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 18 percent very short, 39 percent short, 43 percent adequate and 0 percent surplus.

Ninety-five percent of the **corn** crop was dented. Seventy-six percent of the corn crop was mature, 3 days behind last year and equal to the five-year average. Corn for grain harvest was 9 percent complete. Corn condition was 51 percent good to excellent, up 1 percent from last week. Corn for silage harvest was 83 percent complete, 5 days ahead of last year and the average.

**Soybeans** coloring was at 97 percent. Eighty-six percent of soybeans are dropping leaves. The soybean harvest was 27 percent complete, 2 days behind last year but equal to the average. Soybean condition was 49 percent good to excellent, equal to last week.

Sixty-two percent of the **winter wheat** crop has been planted, 4 days behind last year but 1 day ahead of average. Thirty-eight percent of the winter wheat crop has emerged.

Eighty percent of the **potato** crop has been harvested, 2 days ahead of last year and the average.

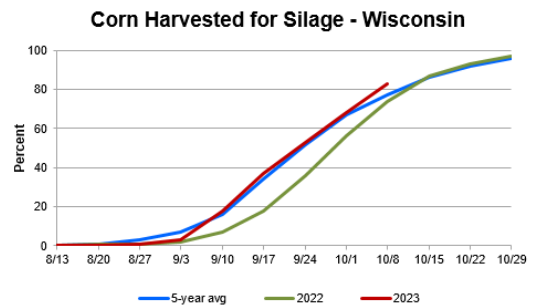
The fourth cutting of **alfalfa** was 95 percent complete, 3 days behind last year but 12 days ahead of the average.

**Pasture** condition was rated 32 good to excellent statewide, up 7 percent from last week.

**Fall tillage** was 15 percent complete, 7 days behind last year and 3 days behind the average.

### Crop Condition as of October 8, 2023

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn .....	2	14	33	38	13
Pasture and range .	10	21	37	29	3
Soybeans .....	3	12	36	38	11



### Crop Progress as of October 8, 2023

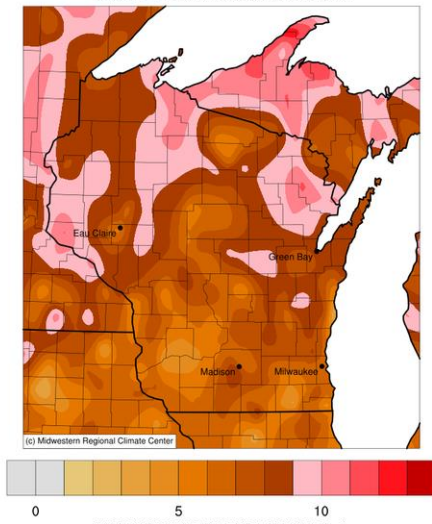
Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dented .....	95	92	98	100	96	93	99	91	97	95	92	97	94
Corn mature .....	82	63	52	81	77	63	95	75	77	76	59	83	76
Corn harvested for grain .....	14	4	6	10	7	3	7	14	2	9	5	6	11
Corn harvested for silage .....	90	55	84	85	89	77	99	95	96	83	68	74	77
Fall tillage .....	16	8	14	13	22	12	12	22	6	15	7	25	18
Hay, alfalfa, 4th cutting .....	97	75	97	99	93	98	98	93	96	95	92	97	87
Soybeans coloring .....	100	94	97	98	93	98	96	98	99	97	94	100	97
Soybeans dropping leaves .....	92	84	77	86	77	76	95	91	85	86	71	90	87
Soybeans harvested .....	28	13	32	27	9	28	34	30	31	27	4	33	27
Wheat, winter, planted .....	90	64	58	84	71	71	73	51	32	62	50	74	60
Wheat, winter, emerged .....	58	26	37	55	55	42	48	28	18	38	29	44	38

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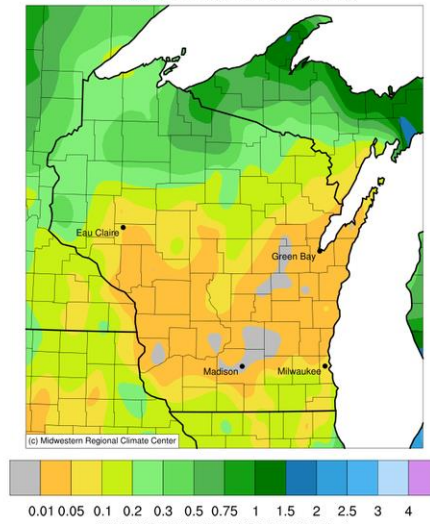
## Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of October 8, 2023

Item	Districts									State		
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
Days suitable .....	(days) 5.1	(days) 5.7	(days) 6.4	(days) 6.1	(days) 6.8	(days) 6.2	(days) 5.7	(days) 5.7	(days) 6.0	(days) 5.9	(days) 3.7	(days) 6.4
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	0	0	11	9	33	5	13	15	12	11	11	4
Short .....	11	5	25	34	24	43	37	39	36	31	31	21
Adequate .....	82	94	62	56	43	52	50	46	52	57	57	73
Surplus .....	7	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Subsoil moisture												
Very short .....	4	0	12	16	27	14	27	26	18	18	18	2
Short .....	23	33	25	35	36	32	55	47	50	39	37	20
Adequate .....	70	67	61	49	37	54	18	27	32	43	45	75
Surplus .....	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals  
October 02, 2023 to October 08, 2023



Accumulated Precipitation (in)  
October 02, 2023 to October 08, 2023



## Weather Information: Week Ending October 8, 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 .....	57.8	9.7	0.46	-0.26	2,332	350
North Central .....	55.4	8.3	0.31	-0.48	2,085	232
Northeast .....	57.4	9.3	0.12	-0.64	2,186	273
West Central .....	60.0	8.9	0.11	-0.53	2,799	346
Central .....	58.4	7.4	0.04	-0.63	2,645	296
East Central .....	59.4	7.7	0.02	-0.65	2,491	216
Southwest .....	58.9	6.6	0.04	-0.62	2,841	288
South Central .....	59.2	6.4	0.06	-0.64	2,799	236
Southeast .....	60.0	6.5	0.10	-0.62	2,736	186
Wisconsin .....	58.1	8.2	0.18	-0.53	2,484	280

<sup>1</sup> Base 50° F.

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