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Wisconsin Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition



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Wisconsin had 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork statewide for the week ending September 29, 2024, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Limited precipitation in all but southeastern Wisconsin, combined with above normal temperatures, which allowed for rapid progress harvesting soybeans. Other field activities included harvesting potatoes, spreading manure, fall tillage and seeding fall crops. The harvest of corn for grain began in some areas of the state.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 7 percent very short, 37 percent short, 56 percent adequate and 0 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture condition rated 5 percent very short, 31 percent short, 63 percent adequate and 1 percent surplus.

Corn in the dent stage was 91 percent. Fifty-five percent of the corn crop was mature, equal to last year but 1 day ahead of the 5-year average. Corn for grain was 5 percent harvested. Corn for silage harvest was 67 percent complete, 2 days ahead of last year and 3 days ahead of average. Corn condition remained at 64 percent good to excellent.

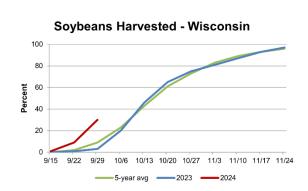
Soybeans coloring reached 94 percent and 81 percent of soybeans were dropping leaves. The soybean harvest was 30 percent complete, 10 days ahead of last year and 9 days ahead of average. Soybean condition was at 64 percent good to excellent, up 1 percentage point from last week.

Winter wheat planting was 47 percent complete, equal to last year but 1 day ahead of average. Twenty-eight percent of the crop has emerged. The fourth cutting of alfalfa hay was 88 percent complete.

Potato harvest was 75 percent complete. Fall tillage was 13 percent complete. Pasture and range condition was rated 45 percent good to excellent, down 4 percentage points from last week

Crop Condition as of September 29, 2024

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Corn Pasture and range . Soybeans	2 3 2	8 11 8	26 41 26	46 37 48	18 8 16	



Crop Progress as of September 29, 2024

	Districts									State			
Item	NW	NC	NE	WC	С	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)										
Corn dented	97	69	90	93	84	82	99	95	99	91	82	91	88
Corn mature	59	24	27	45	37	31	88	77	68	55	39	55	54
Corn harvested for grain		0	1	1	3	2	8	9	6	5	2	4	4
Corn harvested for silage	75	44	67	71	50	57	92	96	96	67	49	64	61
Fall tillage	14	21	9	8	8	23	13	13	4	13	6	5	9
Hay, alfalfa, 4th cutting	89	67	88	91	72	96	95	80	92	88	79	91	84
Soybeans coloring	100	82	89	93	82	93	98	98	99	94	88	91	91
Soybeans dropping leaves	84	53	67	74	68	82	95	96	73	81	65	66	69
Soybeans harvested		8	22	24	17	21	42	49	26	30	9	3	9
Wheat, winter, planted	69	68	54	93	48	58	57	25	22	47	34	47	46
Wheat, winter, emerged	59	34	41	71	27	37	27	13	11	28	18	25	25

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

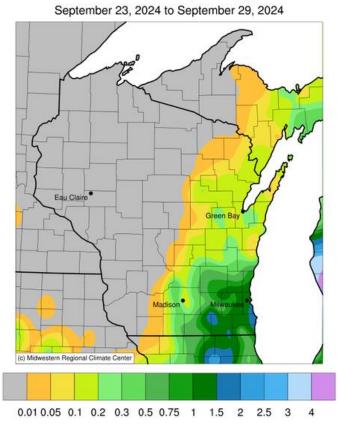
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of September 29, 2024

	Districts										State			
Item	NW	NC	NE	WC	С	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year		
	(days)	(days)												
Days suitable	6.7	6.8	6.3	6.3	6.8	6.2	6.6	5.2	4.6	6.2	5.8	3.7		
	(percent)	(percent)												
Topsoil moisture														
Very short	4	22	2	5	0	12	10	5	1	7	6	11		
Short	28	22	32	51	21	24	50	46	33	37	35	31		
Adequate	68	56	65	44	78	64	40	48	66	56	57	57		
Surplus	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	1		
Subsoil moisture														
Very short	6	11	1	5	0	2	9	5	1	5	3	18		
Short	22	22	20	28	21	34	29	45	41	31	30	37		
Adequate	72	67	78	67	74	64	62	49	58	63	66	45		
Surplus	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	1	0	1	1	0		

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals September 23, 2024 to September 29, 2024

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Accumulated Precipitation (in)



Growing Degree Days and Temperature and Precipitation Maps, courtesy of the Midwestern Regional Climate Center, are available at: https://mrcc.purdue.edu/CLIMATE/