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Wisconsin had 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork statewide for the week ending October 27, 2024, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Another warm, dry week with limited rainfall allowed for row crop harvest progress to remain well ahead of average. The weather also led to declines in wheat and pasture conditions as well as soil moisture ratings. The carrot and cranberry harvests continued. Other field activities included spreading manure, fall tillage, planting cover crops, and seeding winter wheat.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 31 percent very short, 42 percent short, 27 percent adequate and 0 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 23 percent very short, 40 percent short, 37 percent adequate and 0 percent surplus.

Nearly all the **corn** crop was mature at 97 percent. Corn for grain was 65 percent harvested, 15 days ahead of last year and the 5-year average. Moisture content of corn harvested for grain was 17 percent.

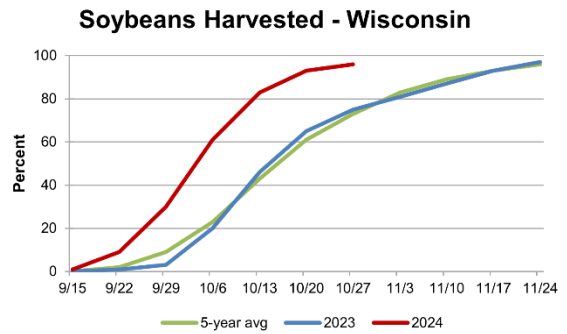
Soybean harvest was nearly complete at 96 percent, nearly 4 weeks ahead of last year and of average.

Winter wheat planting was almost finished at 96 percent. Seventy-four percent of the winter wheat crop has emerged, 3 days ahead of last year and 5 days ahead of average. Winter wheat condition was rated 66 percent good to excellent, down 9 percentage points from last week.

Fall tillage was 51 percent complete. **Pasture and range** condition was rated 23 percent good to excellent, down 3 percentage points from last week.

Crop Condition as of October 27, 2024

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range	12	23	42	21	2
Wheat, winter	1	3	30	52	14



Crop Progress as of October 27, 2024

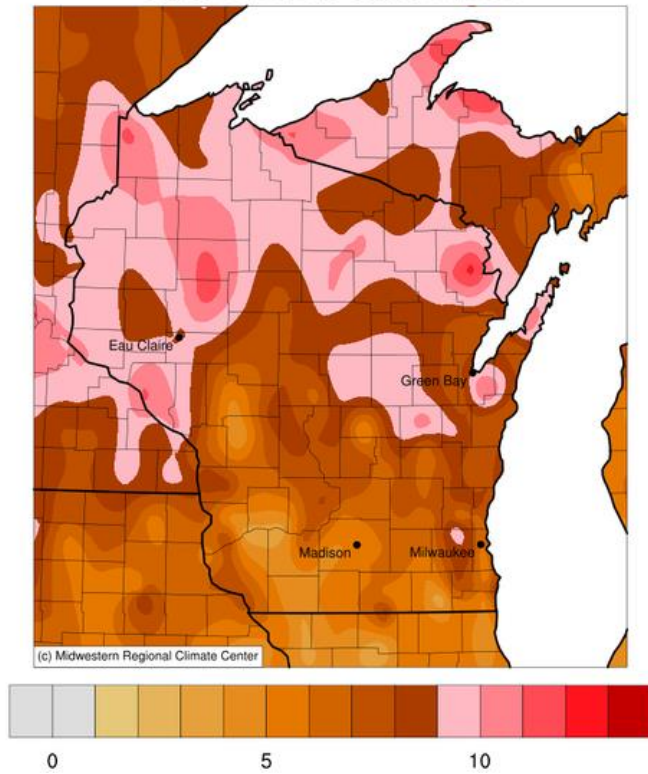
Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn mature	99	99	96	96	94	94	99	99	100	97	94	95	93
Corn harvested for grain	53	43	36	63	59	48	80	82	61	65	44	32	35
Fall tillage	54	69	37	49	43	63	39	53	46	51	41	34	39
Soybeans harvested	98	87	91	95	92	95	98	99	97	96	93	75	73
Wheat, winter, planted	96	97	97	99	96	96	97	94	97	96	91	91	89
Wheat, winter, emerged	94	95	93	97	79	74	75	64	65	74	62	69	67

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

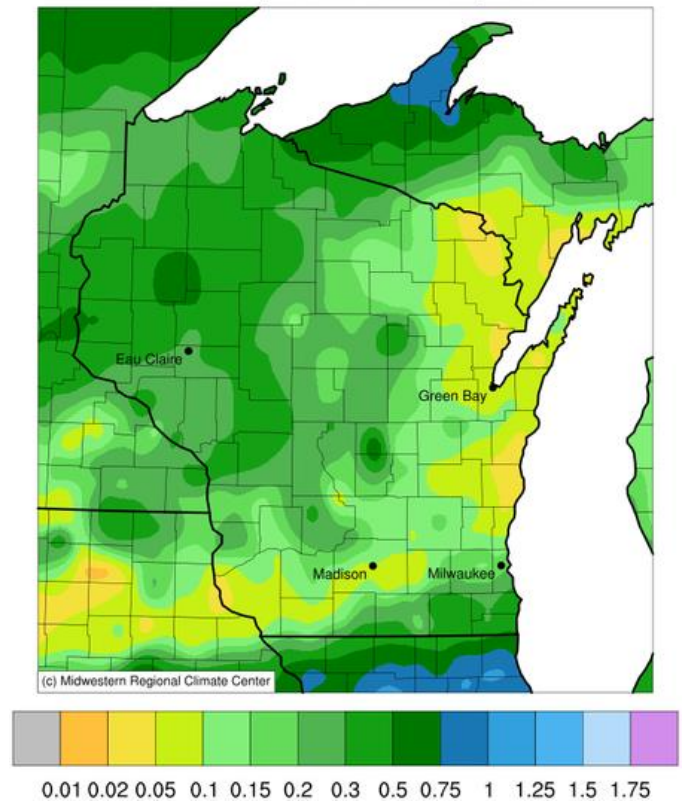
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of October 27, 2024

Item	Districts									State		
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
Days suitable	(days) 6.4	(days) 6.6	(days) 6.3	(days) 6.2	(days) 6.9	(days) 6.9	(days) 6.8	(days) 6.7	(days) 6.5	(days) 6.6	(days) 6.7	(days) 2.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	26	20	10	32	16	28	58	39	20	31	30	3
Short	54	29	36	42	45	42	40	38	54	42	39	10
Adequate	20	51	54	26	39	30	2	23	26	27	31	71
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
Subsoil moisture												
Very short	15	20	13	28	11	20	30	33	19	23	16	7
Short	42	20	24	41	50	42	42	38	54	40	40	23
Adequate	43	60	62	31	39	38	28	29	27	37	44	62
Surplus	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
October 21, 2024 to October 27, 2024



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
October 21, 2024 to October 27, 2024



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