



Wisconsin Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Wisconsin had 6.7 **days suitable for fieldwork** statewide for the week ending July 26, 2026, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. A dry week allowed for good progress on small grain harvesting, but there were many reports of dry soils and a need for rain.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 9 percent very short, 18 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 7 percent very short, 18 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

Corn silking was 52 percent complete compared to the 5-year average of 51 percent. Corn condition was 74 percent good to excellent, down 5 percentage points from last week. **Soybeans** were 78 percent blooming compared to the average of 69 percent. Thirty-three percent of soybeans were setting pods. Soybean condition was 70 percent good to excellent, down 4 percentage points from last week.

Oats were 83 percent coloring compared to the average of 81 percent. Oats were 27 percent harvested. Oat condition was rated 79 percent good to excellent, down 1 percentage point from last week. **Winter wheat** was 51 percent harvested compared to the average of 45 percent. Winter wheat condition was 79 percent good to excellent, down 2 percentage points from last week.

The second cutting of **alfalfa hay** was 95 percent complete compared to the average of 90 percent. The third cutting of alfalfa hay was 32 percent complete. **All hay** condition was 73 percent good to excellent, down 3 percentage points from last week.

Pasture and range condition was 57 percent good to excellent, down 4 percentage points from last week.

Crop Progress and Condition charts can be found at https://www.nass.usda.gov/Charts_and_Maps/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2026/WI_2026.pdf

Crop Condition as of July 26, 2026

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	2	5	19	56	18
Hay, all	3	4	20	58	15
Oats	1	2	18	65	14
Pasture and range	3	11	29	47	10
Soybeans	2	7	21	56	14
Wheat, winter	0	4	17	66	13

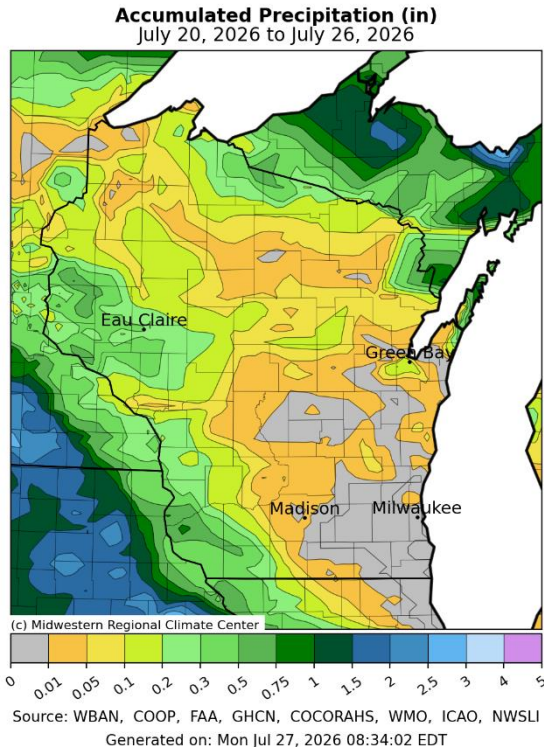
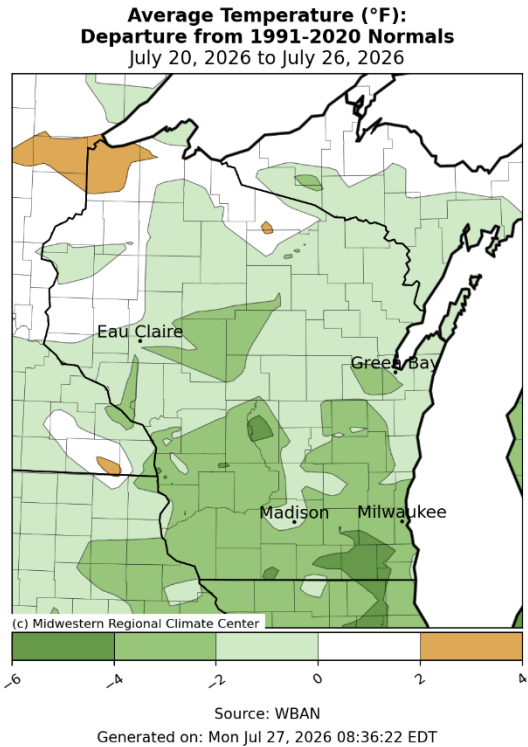
Crop Progress as of July 26, 2026

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 silking	34	30	35	48	49	45	69	65	55	52	23	52	51
Hay, alfalfa, 2nd cutting	95	77	94	94	93	99	96	99	99	95	86	89	90
Hay, alfalfa, 3rd cutting	15	14	20	27	36	38	39	47	40	32	12	31	26
Oats headed	100	97	98	98	96	98	100	100	99	98	94	96	97
Oats coloring	87	68	75	90	80	76	92	95	94	83	70	80	81
Oats harvested for grain	16	8	11	27	14	15	57	58	50	27	10	21	17
Soybeans blooming	69	71	69	80	67	74	81	89	75	78	62	74	69
Soybeans setting pods	25	21	25	40	28	31	34	39	35	33	16	33	31
Wheat, winter, harvested	23	16	31	37	31	34	68	78	83	51	29	34	45

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 July 26, 2026

Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	
Days suitable	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	
	7.0	7.0	6.5	6.3	7.0	6.6	6.6	7.0	6.9	6.7	6.6	4.8	
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
	Very short	6	8	10	7	9	9	7	11	21	9	5	1
Short	14	13	23	11	15	30	16	15	29	18	15	9	
Adequate	71	76	66	81	76	60	73	74	50	71	75	76	
Surplus	9	3	1	1	0	1	4	0	0	2	5	14	
Subsoil moisture	Very short	4	6	7	5	7	6	4	10	20	7	4	1
	Short	10	8	23	15	14	35	11	16	30	18	15	11
Adequate	79	68	64	79	79	58	80	74	50	71	75	80	
Surplus	7	18	6	1	0	1	5	0	0	4	6	8	



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

Additional soil moisture data are available at: <https://cloud.csiss.gmu.edu/Crop-CASMA/>