



Wisconsin Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Wisconsin had **5.7 days suitable for fieldwork** statewide for the week ending August 2, 2026, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Southern and eastern portions of the state received much needed rainfall, while dry conditions continued in northwestern areas.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 9 percent very short, 21 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 7 percent very short, 20 percent short, 70 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

Corn silking was 72 percent complete, even with the 5-year average. Sixteen percent of corn had reached the dough stage. Corn condition was 72 percent good to excellent, down 2 percentage points from last week. **Soybeans** blooming reached 86 percent compared to the average of 81 percent. Fifty-three percent of soybeans were setting pods. Soybean condition was 70 percent good to excellent, the same as last week.

Oats were 93 percent coloring compared to the average of 90 percent. Oats were 41 percent harvested. Oat condition was rated 77 percent good to excellent, down 2 percentage points from last week. **Winter wheat** was 69 percent harvested, even with the average.

The third cutting of **alfalfa hay** was 50 percent complete compared to the average of 47 percent. **All hay** condition was 70 percent good to excellent, down 3 percentage points from last week.

Pasture and range condition was 54 percent good to excellent, down 3 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 August 2, 2026

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	3	5	20	55	17
Hay, all	3	6	21	57	13
Oats	1	2	20	63	14
Pasture and range	4	12	30	46	8
Soybeans	3	7	20	57	13

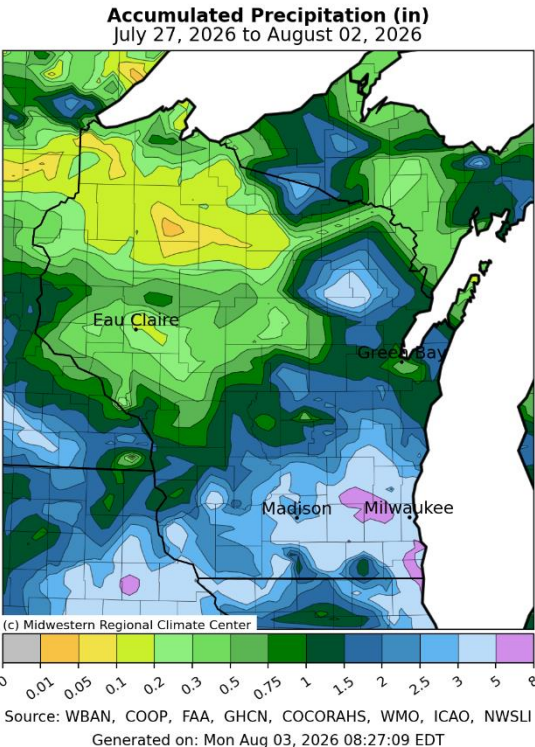
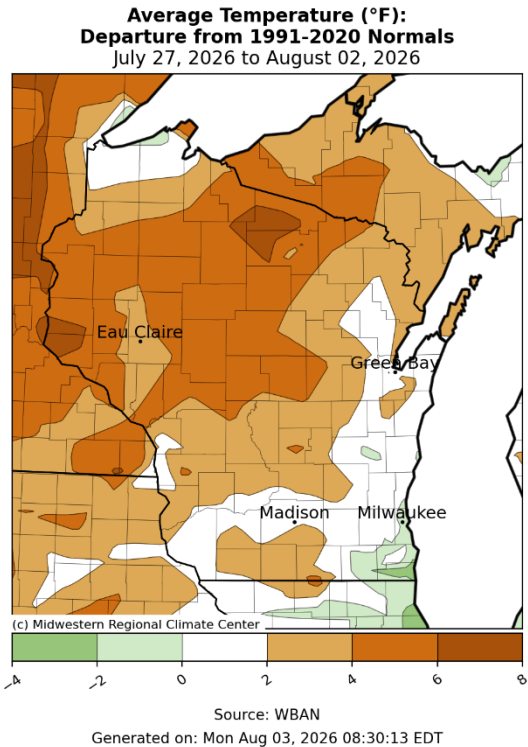
Crop Progress as of August 2, 2026

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	57	49	59	69	67	64	87	85	76	72	52	75	72
Corn dough	9	0	1	11	13	12	28	24	23	16	3	18	17
Hay, alfalfa, 3rd cutting	32	26	39	45	57	59	58	68	58	50	32	49	47
Oats coloring	93	82	92	92	93	95	96	98	99	93	83	91	90
Oats harvested for grain	32	15	21	48	31	31	74	71	68	41	27	35	31
Soybeans blooming	82	76	74	87	79	83	93	94	85	86	78	82	81
Soybeans setting pods	38	37	42	60	45	52	54	63	57	53	33	52	47
Wheat, winter, harvested	43	30	52	53	49	54	83	94	96	69	51	63	69

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 August 2, 2026

Item	Districts									State		
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable	6.5	6.8	5.5	6.0	6.5	5.3	5.3	5.1	3.9	5.7	6.7	5.7
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture												
Very short	8	10	14	7	12	11	6	5	17	9	9	1
Short	20	18	26	16	17	33	20	18	28	21	18	10
Adequate	70	72	60	76	71	55	69	76	49	68	71	80
Surplus	2	0	0	1	0	1	5	1	6	2	2	9
Subsoil moisture												
Very short	6	6	7	6	9	5	4	9	18	7	7	1
Short	14	13	28	17	14	38	15	17	32	20	18	10
Adequate	76	66	62	76	77	55	77	74	47	70	71	83
Surplus	4	15	3	1	0	2	4	0	3	3	4	6



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/>