



# Tennessee Crop Weather

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## RAIN NEEDED

In West Tennessee, farmers took advantage of the dry weather to harvest corn, soybeans, cotton, and hay. Soybean yields were coming in better than expected. Rain was needed to improve the condition of emerging wheat, though. In Middle Tennessee, farmers were desperate for rain. Pastures were drying up, forcing some livestock producers to start feeding hay. Recently planted wheat was slow to emerge due to dry conditions. In East Tennessee, corn and soybean harvest continued. Wheat farmers were delaying the planting of their crops as they waited for rain. Pasture conditions were deteriorating rapidly due to lack of soil moisture. There were 6.9 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 24 percent very short, 47 percent short, and 29 percent adequate. Subsoil moisture was 18 percent very short, 42 percent short, 39 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS	This Week	Last Week	2021	5 Year Avg.	CONDITION					
					Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Corn – Mature	99	96	99	99	Corn	17	24	32	25	2
Corn – Harvested	82	64	66	79	Cotton	7	16	31	42	4
Cotton – Bolls Opening	80	69	72	89	Soybeans	3	10	40	38	9
Cotton – Harvested	13	6	2	22	Tobacco	3	10	37	43	7
Soybeans – Dropping Leaves	85	75	75	82	Pasture	8	21	39	31	1
Soybeans – Harvested	32	21	21	32						
Tobacco – Cut	91	86	93	N/A						
Winter Wheat – Planted	20	11	21	20						
Winter Wheat – Emerged	7	5	12	8						