



Tennessee Crop Weather

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CONTINUED RAIN IMPROVING SOIL CONDITIONS

Plentiful rain was received across the state this past week, aiding crop growth and pasture recovery. Wheat harvest has wrapped up with very good to excellent yields reported and the final double cropped soybeans are in the ground and emerging. Corn, cotton, and soybeans are continuing to show strong progress. Corn is silking and soybeans are blooming with both shaping up well if favorable conditions continue. Thus far, pest and disease pressure levels on crops have been low or approaching average, but with increased rainfall and humid conditions this trend may change. Second cutting of hay has begun in some areas. In the eastern half of the state, some producers experienced short first cuttings of hay due to unfavorable conditions early in the season, but increased rainfall has allowed some fields to bounce back heading into the second cutting. Heading into next week, more rain and storms are expected alongside higher temperatures.

Statewide, there were 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture was 2 percent very short, 23 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was 2 percent very short, 22 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS	This Week	Last Week	2022	5 Year Avg.	CONDITION					
					Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Corn – Silking	71	51	64	66	Cotton	0	4	25	54	17
Corn - Dough	15	4	10	17	Corn	2	6	24	51	17
Cotton - Squaring	80	55	62	63	Soybeans	1	6	28	48	17
Cotton – Setting Bolls	26	15	20	15	Tobacco	0	4	12	57	27
Winter Wheat - Harvested	95	88	N/A	N/A	Pasture	2	8	28	51	11
Soybeans – Emerged	95	91	95	94						
Soybeans – Blooming	55	39	32	32						
Soybeans – Setting Pods	21	8	6	8						
Tobacco - Transplanted	97	94	N/A	N/A						
Tobacco – Topped	14	5	17	15						

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