



Tennessee Crop Weather

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BENEFICIAL, MIXED RAINS ACROSS THE STATE

Portions of West Tennessee received welcomed rain. Producers sprayed for pests as well as cut hay as weather allowed. The rain was beneficial to both pasture condition and hay growth. In some portions of West Tennessee rains have gone either north or south whenever it was promising. Producers where this occurred were beginning to feed hay from their already low supplies and are concerned about the quality and quantity of second cuttings. In Central Tennessee, dry and hot weather limited pasture growth. Additionally, soybeans planted following wheat needed a general rain. This lack of moisture resulted in stress on pastures and hayfields, as well as crops not under irrigation. Producers are concerned that a long lack of rain will bring possible drought stress. In the Eastern Portion of the State, there was some hay cuttings. Good soil moisture was reported. Statewide, there were 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture was 2 percent very short, 14 percent short, 81 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was 5 percent very short, 13 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS	This Week	Last Week	2022	5 Year Avg.	CONDITION					
					Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Corn – Silking	84	71	80	81	Cotton	4	6	18	57	15
Corn - Dough	34	15	28	33	Corn	1	4	17	62	16
Cotton - Squaring	83	80	79	76	Soybeans	1	4	16	62	17
Cotton – Setting Bolls	30	26	33	26	Tobacco	3	4	16	46	31
Soybeans – Blooming	64	55	50	48	Pasture	2	6	23	59	10
Soybeans – Setting Pods	30	21	18	20						
Tobacco – Topped	22	14	32	30						

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