



Tennessee Crop Weather

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HARVEST CONTINUES AS AUTUMN SETS IN

Tennessee experienced mostly dry weather last week, allowing for ample fieldwork. Rain was finally received across the central and western regions of the state, helping to green up pastures; however, dry conditions still prevail. Most of Tennessee has entered the abnormally dry category based on last week’s drought monitor report. Corn and hay harvests are pushing towards completion with soybean harvest ramping up. More producers are also beginning to focus on cotton as well. Yields are looking very strong across the board thus far for many producers, with some reporting record production levels. Some late planted beans could use a bit more moisture, but otherwise overall production is shaping up well. Cooler temperatures have begun to set in as harvest season continues. Statewide, there were 5.8 days suitable for field work last week. Topsoil moisture was 9 percent very short, 39 percent short, 51 percent adequate and 1 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was 7 percent very short, 39 percent short, and 54 percent adequate.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Item	This Week	Last Week	2022	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Corn – Mature	97	96	99	99	Cotton	1	2	16	65	16
Corn – Harvested	71	58	79	76	Corn	0	5	17	59	19
Cotton – Bolls Opening	85	77	78	85	Soybeans	0	3	17	61	19
Cotton – Harvested	15	5	12	18	Pasture	3	12	42	41	2
Soybeans – Dropping Leaves	83	73	84	81	Winter Wheat	4	2	15	61	18
Soybeans – Harvested	37	29	30	30						
Tobacco – Cut	93	84	90	-						
Winter Wheat – Planted	16	9	19	19						
Winter Wheat – Emerged	4	1	7	8						

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