



Tennessee Crop Weather

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HARVEST NEARS COMPLETION AS DRY WEATHER PERSISTS

Tennessee experienced mostly dry weather last week, though some counties in the far west received a bit of rainfall. Corn harvest is nearly complete with double cropped soybeans and cotton remaining to be finished. Dry weather has allowed for ample harvest time, but has negatively impacted winter wheat, rye, and pasture seeding. Yields remain strong across the board for corn and beans with many producers maxing out their storage capacity. The entire state is under the abnormally dry or moderate drought (D1) status with many counties along the southern borders entering severe drought (D2) and extreme drought (D3) status this week according to the Tennessee Drought Monitor report. Livestock producers are beginning or continuing to feed hay as pastures have dried up. Statewide, there were 6.2 days suitable for field work last week. Topsoil moisture was 18 percent very short, 37 percent short, 41 percent adequate and 4 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was 13 percent very short, 41 percent short, 44 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Item	This Week	Last Week	2022	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Corn – Harvested	92	88	97	94	Cotton	1	2	14	59	24
Cotton – Bolls Opening	98	96	99	98	Soybeans	0	4	18	60	18
Cotton – Harvested	62	43	63	56	Pasture	9	23	44	22	2
Soybeans – Harvested	73	60	71	62	Winter Wheat	2	4	32	50	12
Winter Wheat – Planted	49	35	61	56						
Winter Wheat – Emerged	25	13	34	34						

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