



## **Tennessee Crop Weather**

Tennessee Field Office • PO Box 40627 • Nashville, TN 37204 • (615) 781-5300 or (615) 891-0903 • www.nass.usda.gov

## Issued Monday, April 15, 2024, 3:00 PM

## For the Week Ending April 14, 2024

## HEAVY RAIN DELAYS FIELDWORK

Tennessee experienced variable temperatures and heavy rainfall last week. Some regions experienced storms with high winds and hail, which yielded some damage to strawberry crops as well as a few barns and greenhouses. Continuous rain kept producers mostly out of the fields this week, but corn and soybean planting are already well on their way. The precipitation has been very beneficial for pasture growth and winter wheat progress, with producers reporting most wheat crops looking healthy and strong. Livestock are also looking good as the cool season pastures come in. Producers are looking to warmer temperatures and dry weather in the week ahead to continue corn and bean planting, as well as get started on cotton. Statewide, there were 2.5 days suitable for field work last week. Topsoil moisture was 4 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 29 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, and 75 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus.

| CROP PROGRESS           |              |              |      |                   | CONDITION    |              |      |      |      |           |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|------|------|------|-----------|
| Item                    | This<br>Week | Last<br>Week | 2023 | 5<br>Year<br>Avg. | Item         | Very<br>Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| Percent                 |              |              |      |                   | Percent      |              |      |      |      |           |
| Apples – Blooming       | 61           | 50           | 65   | 56                | Strawberries | 3            | 5    | 24   | 56   | 12        |
| Corn – Planted          | 13           | 7            | 18   | 14                | Pasture      | 2            | 8    | 32   | 50   | 8         |
| Cotton – Planted        | 0            | 0            | 1    | 0                 | Winter Wheat | 2            | 7    | 16   | 53   | 22        |
| Soybeans – Planted      | 8            | 4            | 5    | 1                 |              |              |      |      |      |           |
| Winter Wheat – Jointing | 71           | 59           | 73   | 73                |              |              |      |      |      |           |
| Winter Wheat – Headed   | 11           | 2            | 2    | 6                 |              |              |      |      |      |           |

The USDA, NASS, Tennessee Field Office gratefully acknowledges invaluable contributions to this publication by:

The University f Tennessee and Tennessee State University Extension.

Weather and rainfall data have been discontinued.