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PRODUCERS MADE HEADWAY IN PLANTING

In West Tennessee, producers made great corn planting progress, and started planting soybeans and cotton. Some farmers sprayed burndown. The wheat crop looks good overall. Middle Tennessee soil got dry enough for producers to start planting corn and soybeans. The hay crop was also sprayed and fertilized. The wheat crop, fortunately, recovered from the late freeze. In East Tennessee, producers worked to finish hay and spring pasture fertilizing. Spring herbicide treatments were winding down. High moisture haylage harvest began. Wet soil delayed corn planting in some areas. Several producers are still in the process of cleaning up and assessing damage on barns, sheds, fences, and downed trees in the aftermath of April windstorms. There were 5.6 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 3 percent short, 87 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was 2 percent short, 86 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus.

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CROP PROGRESS	This Week	Last Week	2022	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent				Percent					
Corn – Planted	23	5	7	16	Pasture	1	6	33	52	8
Corn - Emerged	`1	N/A	0	2	Winter Wheat	2	9	29	48	12
Cotton - Planted	1	0	0	0	Strawberries	2	4	21	66	7
Soybeans - Planted	7	1	1	1						
Apples – Full Bloom	70	52	48	58						
Winter Wheat – Jointing	75	67	76	79						
Winter Wheat – Headed	3	1	8	10						