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## **Tennessee Crop Weather**

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## WEATHER ALLOWS FOR GREAT AGRICULTURAL PROGRESS

In West and Central Tennessee, producers made great progress last week. Some second and even third cuttings of hay were made and baled. Spraying for pests were made and producers had positive outlooks for agricultural production this season. Weather conditions were hot, with some producers starting to top tobacco, and are looking forward to making even more progress in the coming week. Corn progressed well and began to dry down. Farmers had a positive outlook for early planted soybeans. Wheat was a bit behind because of the dry weather and less than needed rainfall. The dry weather did help cotton progress but, as with wheat, pastures could use moisture for revitalization. In the Eastern portion of the State, weather reached or exceeded 90 degrees every day last week. The corn crop was shaping up well, with grain fill going well. Soybeans looked good and August rains are hoped for to finish out all crops with good yields. Statewide, there were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture was 2 percent very short, 16 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was 2 percent very short, 12 percent short, 81 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS	This Week	Last Week	2022	5 Year Avg.	CONDITION					
					Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent				Percent					
Corn – Silking	95	91	95	94	Cotton	0	2	21	63	14
Corn - Dough	72	52	64	65	Corn	0	6	19	58	17
Corn - Dented	10	N/A	11	8	Tobacco	4	5	20	47	24
Cotton - Squaring	93	89	94	91	Soybeans	0	4	20	60	16
Cotton – Setting Bolls	64	43	64	58	Pasture	2	6	23	58	11
Cotton – Bolls Opening	1	N/A	0	0						
Soybeans – Blooming	76	73	78	75						
Soybeans – Setting Pods	55	43	46	47						
Tobacco – Topped	52	27	69	60						