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Wisconsin had 1.6 **days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending April 17, 2022, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Wet and cold soil conditions continued across much of the State, and temperatures averaged 5.8 degrees below normal. Little fieldwork was possible in northern Wisconsin due to freezing nighttime temperatures and snow showers, while limited fieldwork was able to be completed in southern Wisconsin on well-drained soils. Spring tillage and manure applications proceeded where conditions allowed.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 2 percent very short, 8 percent short, 64 percent adequate and 26 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 2 percent very short, 16 percent short, 65 percent adequate and 17 percent surplus.

Spring tillage was reported as 4 percent complete, more than 2 weeks behind last year and 10 days behind the 5-year average.

Four percent of the expected **oat** crop has been planted, 13 days behind last year and 10 days behind the average.

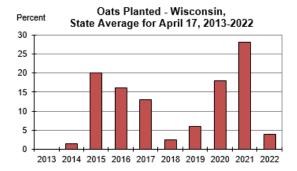
Potato planting was reported as 1 percent complete, 12 days behind last year.

Winter wheat condition was rated 61 percent good to excellent statewide, up 3 percentage points from last week.

Pasture condition was rated 38 percent good to excellent, up 1 percentage point from last week.

Crop Condition as of April 17, 2022

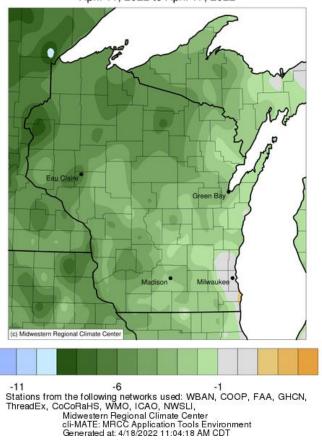
Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Pasture and range . Wheat, winter	17 3	14 5	31 31	33 47	5 14	

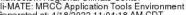


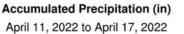
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of April 17, 2022

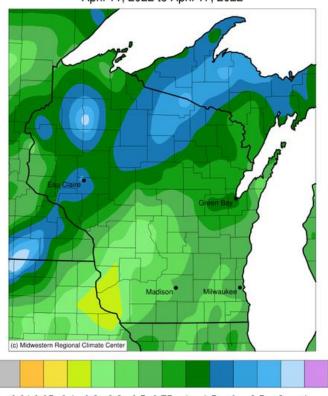
	Districts								State			
Item	NW	NC	NE	WC	С	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)									
Days suitable	0.3	0.0	0.5	0.9	1.8	1.7	3.3	2.0	2.5	1.6	1.0	3.8
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)									
Topsoil moisture												
Very short	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	15	2	2	1
Short		0	0	10	7	2	5	16	19	8	7	15
Adequate	42	64	58	64	69	49	85	75	59	64	62	70
Surplus	49	36	42	26	24	47	8	8	7	26	29	14
Subsoil moisture												
Very short	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	19	2	2	1
Short	11	1	15	23	7	11	9	25	42	16	18	13
Adequate	54	66	53	70	69	61	82	72	37	65	64	73
Surplus	34	33	32	7	24	28	7	2	2	17	16	13

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals April 11, 2022 to April 17, 2022









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Weather Information: Week Ending April 17, 2022

District	Tempe	rature	Precip	itation	Growing Degree Days ¹		
District and State	Den		Total	Departure from Normal ²	Since April 1	Departure from Normal ²	
Northwest	34.3	-7.3	1.80	1.29	0	-11	
North Central	33.1	-7.0	1.78	1.19	0	-8	
Northeast	36.0	-4.8	1.24	0.58	0	-8	
West Central	38.1	-7.0	1.20	0.57	0	-22	
Central	39.3	-5.0	0.63	-0.05	0	-18	
East Central	39.8	-3.6	0.77	0.05	0	-14	
Southwest	40.7	-5.4	0.32	-0.47	0	-25	
South Central	41.6	-4.3	0.51	-0.32	1	-23	
Southeast	42.4	-3.0	0.58	-0.34	3	-20	
Wisconsin	37.4	-5.8	1.14	0.48	0	-15	

¹ Base 50° F.

² Normal based on 1991-2020 data.