

MI-CW3923



# **Michigan Crop Weather**

## **Field Crops**

Despite being behind schedule in Southern Michigan, crops were making progress towards maturity, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Director of the Great Lakes Regional Office of the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork in Michigan during the week ending September 24, 2023. **Soybean** and **corn** for grain harvests were underway. **Winter wheat** planting was underway for some, and others will begin next month. Other activities last week included applying fungicides and insecticides, soil testing, planting cover crops, and preparing for harvest season.

## Fruit

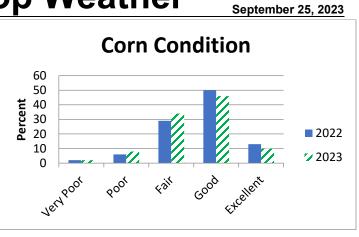
Weather throughout Michigan last week has been mostly cool and dry. In the Southwest, Honeycrisp was nearly all harvested in central Berrien County. Apple harvest will be moving soon to Fuji, Jonagold and Yellow Delicious. In the West Central, farmers were continuing to pick Gala and Honeycrisp. In the Northwest, Honeycrisp harvest began. There was inconsistency in firmness and brix levels. Gala harvest was well underway on the Ridge. Fuji and McIntosh strains were also mature. Honeycrisp maturity was faster than expected this season. Starches were clearing faster than sugar accumulation throughout Michigan for Honeycrisp this year.

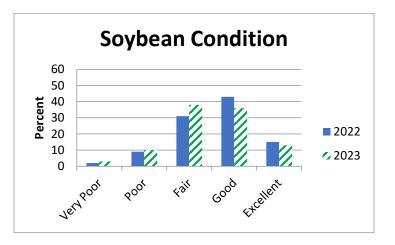
Crop Condition: Week Ending 09/24/23

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Corn	2	8	34	46	10	
Soybeans	3	10	38	36	13	
Dry Edible Beans	3	27	55	14	1	
Sugarbeets	1	10	37	41	11	
Range and Pasture	2	13	38	41	6	

### Soil Moisture: Week Ending 09/24/23

Item	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Topsoil moisture	4	26	69 75	1	
Subsoil moisture	4	20	/5	1	





### Crop Progress: Week Ending 09/24/23

	Percent Completed							
Crop/Activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year				
	week	week	year	average				
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	6.5	5.5	-	-				
Corn Dented	83	71	89	83				
Corn Mature	22	19	37	39				
Corn Harvested for Grain	1	1	3	3				
Corn Harvested for Silage	46	37	55	61				
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	59	33	68	68				
Soybeans Harvested	2	1	7	7				
Winter Wheat Planted	6	3	18	15				
Dry Ed. Beans Drop Leaves	95	80	96	91				
Dry Edible Beans Harvested	33	7	37	31				
Alfalfa Hay 3rd Cutting	89	88	96	87				
Alfalfa Hay 4th Cutting	59	54	57	N/A				
Other Hay 3rd Cutting	69	68	83	65				
Sugarbeets Harvested	10	7	15	21				

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Weather Summary For Michigan

	Summury	Since April 1									
	Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation		GDD Base 50		
	High	Low	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN
Upper Peninsula							1				
HANCOCK HOUGHTON COUNTY AP	82	41	62	9	0.01	1	15.55		60	1751	272
IRONWOOD	81	38	60	7	0.35	2	21.47		69	1797	147
CHATHAM EXPERIMENT FARM 2	81	33	59	4	0.00	0	19.04		62	1569	-20
PICKFORD 3NE	78	30	58	3	0.00	0	18.89	1.58	60	1764	117
Northwest LP							1				
BEULAH 7SSW	85	40	64	5	0.00	0	12.94			2250	164
FRANKFORT 2NE	78	48	65	7	0.00	0	11.58	-7.20	46	2369	380
TRAVERSE CITY CHERRY CAPITAL AP	83	42	64	6	0.01	1	15.32	-2.47	55	2455	418
Northeast LP							1				
ALPENA COUNTY REGIONAL AP	80	40	60	4	0.01	1	16.85	0.56	55	2002	219
GAYLORD 9SSW	79	41	60	5	0.05	1	16.62	-2.30	54	1967	226
GLENNIE 2SE	79	41	58	3	0.00	0	19.29	-1.01	57	1787	60
HALE LOUD DAM	80	41	60	3	0.04	2	18.57	0.71	65	2101	188
ONAWAY 4N	77	36	56	-2	0.00	0	13.99	-2.94	44	1502	-559
West Central LP											
MUSKEGON COUNTY AP	86	46	67	7	0.01	1	12.24	-5.36	48	2788	407
Central LP											
CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY	69	46	58	-1	0.00	0	24.14	5.48	45	2265	-23
GLADWIN	82	40	61	4	0.03	1	20.33	1.41	57	2175	37
MIDLAND	78	42	61	1	0.01	1	21.61	3.04	50	1918	-529
East Central LP							-				
BAD AXE	80	44	61	3	0.37	2	20.20	1.25	68	2170	47
SAGINAW #3	85	48	64	3	0.09	3	21.07	1.60	64	2388	-68
SAGINAW MBS INTL AP	82	47	64	5	0.01	1	19.51	1.25	57	2513	143
VASSAR	84	42	63	5	0.21	1	19.67	-0.70	50	1742	-375
Southwest LP							•				
BENTON HARBOR	82	48	65	3	0.04	1	18.97	-1.57	51	2455	-206
DOWAGIAC 1 W	80	46	61	2	0.18	2	22.48	0.39	64	2339	-41
GRAND RAPIDS GERALD R FORD INTL AP	82	44	64	3	0.02	1	15.59	-6.33	51	2647	34
HOLLAND TULIP CITY AP	83	45	64	3	0.02	1	14.51	-5.45	47	2594	-29
South Central LP											
COLDWATER ST SCHOOL	81	44	62	3	0.02	1	18.31	-4.04	46	2454	20
HASTINGS	82	43	63	4	0.03	1	18.05	-3.23	53	2391	100
JACKSON REYNOLDS FIELD	80	42	63	3	0.00	0	15.70	-3.34	53	2363	-85
LANSING CAPITAL CITY AP	81	47	64	4	0.02	1	17.25	-1.48	56	2698	222
THREE RIVERS	82	46	63	3	0.13	2	16.16	-6.23	54	2663	50
Southeast LP							•				
ADRIAN 2 NNE	81	44	63	4	0.01	1	17.86	-3.28	56	2556	180
ANN ARBOR U OF MICH	81	44	62	1	0.07	2	21.40	0.98	71	2413	-278
CHELSEA	82	45	62	3	0.00	0	17.28	-1.51	55	2437	18
FARMINGTON	83	49	63	3	0.04	1	21.14			2423	-2
MANCHESTER	80	44	61	1	0.04	1	18.81			2369	-47
PORT HURON	73	51	62	1	0.01	1	23.10			2541	45
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Summary based on NOAA Regional Climate Centers (RCCs) data. Climate normals used are for the 1991-2020 period. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit.