



# Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition

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For the week ending April 3, 2016  
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Limited field activities occurred across Minnesota with only 1.6 **days suitable for fieldwork** during the week ending April 3, 2016, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Cool soil temperatures limited planting in earnest. Precipitation during the week also limited fieldwork in the southern half of the state. Field activities for the week included spreading manure, applying anhydrous, and tilling fields. There were a few reports of oats and spring wheat being planted.

**Topsoil moisture** supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 10 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 13 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 8 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus.

**Pasture** condition rated 2 percent very poor, 25 percent poor, 35 percent fair, 36 percent good, and 2 percent excellent. Respondents reported pasture as either still dormant or just starting to green up. There were some reports of calves being sick due to wet conditions.

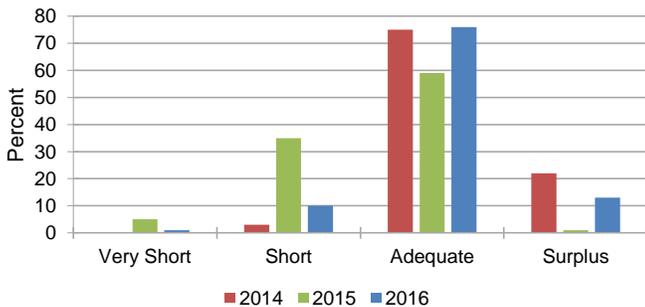
## Crop Condition as of April 3, 2016

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture.....	2	25	35	36	2

## Crop Progress as of April 3, 2016

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	1.6	(NA)	1.9	1.3

## Topsoil Moisture Supplies - Minnesota For the First Week of April

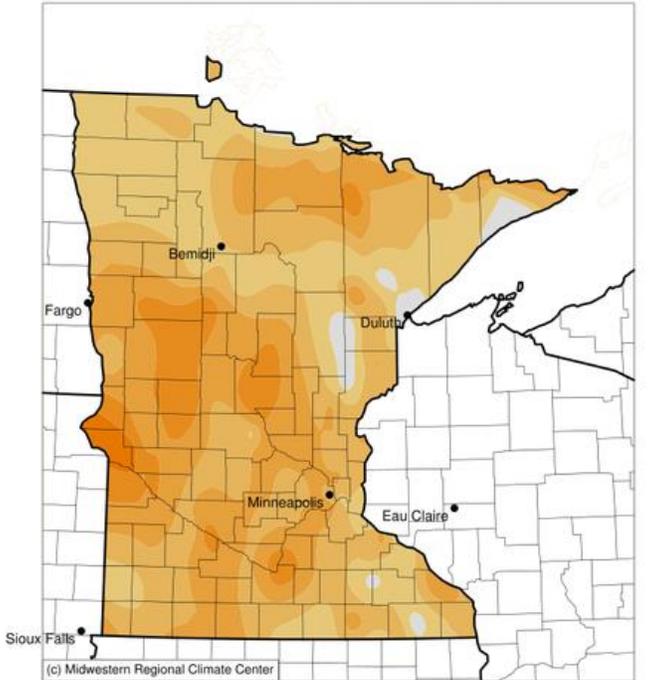


## Soil Moisture Supplies as of April 3, 2016

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil Moisture	1	10	76	13
Subsoil Moisture	1	8	82	9

# Minnesota Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending April 3, 2016

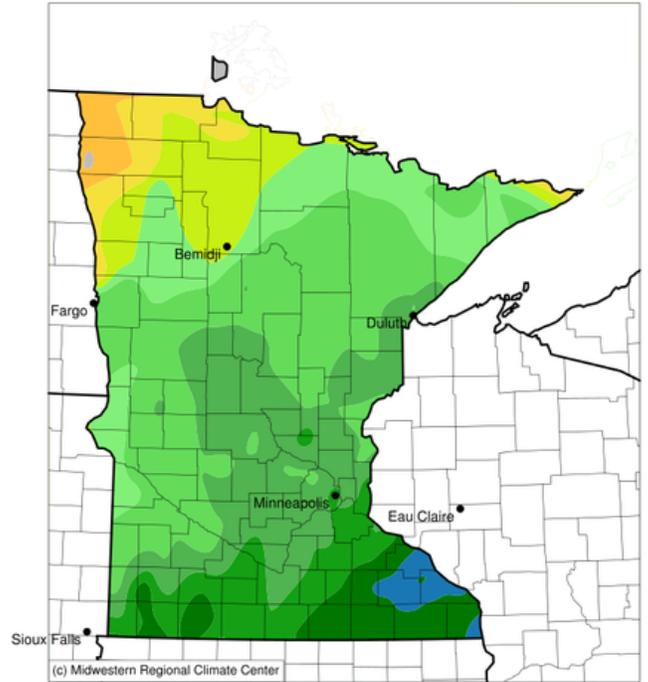
**Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals**  
March 28, 2016 to April 03, 2016



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**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
March 28, 2016 to April 03, 2016



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National Weather Service data, courtesy of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources State Climatology Office, is available at: <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/climate/historical/summary.html>

Growing Degree Days can be found at <https://mygeohub.org/groups/u2u/gdd>

Temperature and Precipitation Maps, courtesy of the Midwestern Regional Climate Center, are available at: <http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu/CLIMATE/>