



Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition



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Warm temperatures and adequate moisture aided small grain development in Minnesota during the **4.5 days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending June 28, 2015, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Parts of Minnesota experienced severe weather, including high winds and hail, during the week leaving some farmers concerned about the potential damage to crops. Field activities for the week included spraying and baling hay.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 87 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 0 percent very short, 3 percent short, 90 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus.

Minnesota's **corn** condition rated 81 percent good to excellent. There were scattered reports of **soybean's** starting to bloom, and soybean condition rated 77 percent good to excellent. Small grain development remained ahead of the five-year average with approximately three-quarters of the crops in or beyond the heading stage. **Barley** condition rated 64 percent good to excellent. With a few reports of **oats** starting to turn color, oat condition rated 83 percent good to excellent. **Spring wheat** condition rated 84 percent good to excellent, up 8 percentage points from the previous week. **Dry edible bean** condition rated 65 percent good to excellent. **Potato** condition rated 88 percent good to excellent, up 3 percentage points from last week. **Sunflower** condition rated 57 percent good to excellent, up 9 percentage points from last week. **Sugarbeet** condition rated 79 percent good to excellent, down slightly from the previous week.

The first cutting of **alfalfa hay** was 89 percent complete, 11 days ahead of last year and 6 days ahead of the five-year average. There were reports the second cutting of alfalfa hay has begun. **All hay** condition rated 72 percent good to excellent and **pasture** condition rated 79 percent good to excellent, both up 2 percentage points from the previous week.

Crop Progress as of June 28, 2015

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	4.5	4.4	2.4	3.5
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley headed.....	74	32	15	43
Alfalfa Hay, first cutting.....	89	75	65	81
Oats headed.....	80	55	36	52
Spring Wheat headed.....	76	26	14	42

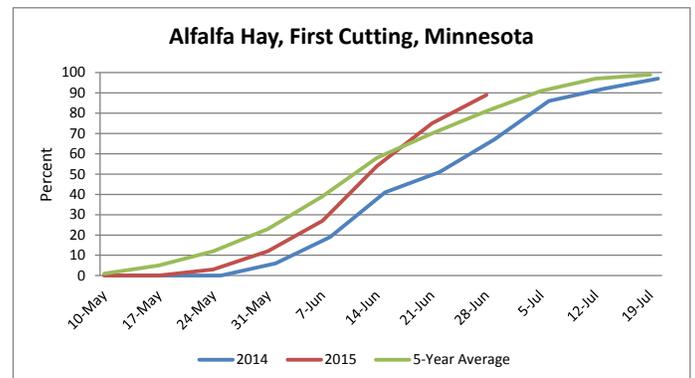
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Crop Condition as of June 28, 2015

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley.....	0	2	34	56	8
Corn.....	0	1	18	67	14
Dry ed. beans..	1	3	31	58	7
Hay, all.....	3	6	19	61	11
Oats.....	0	1	16	67	16
Pasture.....	0	2	19	65	14
Potatoes.....	0	0	12	48	40
Soybeans.....	0	2	21	66	11
Spring Wheat...	0	2	14	67	17
Sugarbeets.....	1	5	15	34	45
Sunflowers.....	0	3	40	53	4

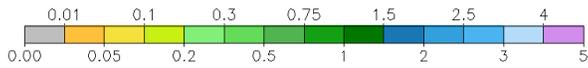
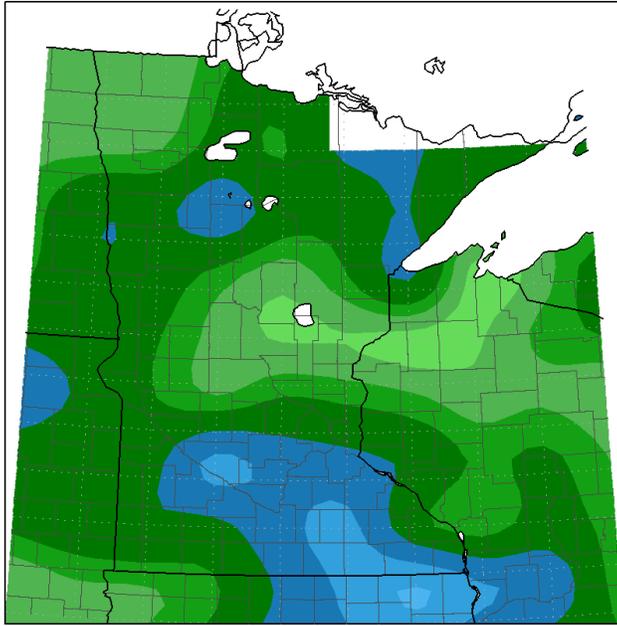
Soil Moisture Conditions as of June 28, 2015

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil Moisture	0	1	87	12
Subsoil Moisture	0	3	90	7



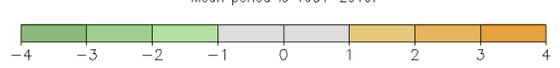
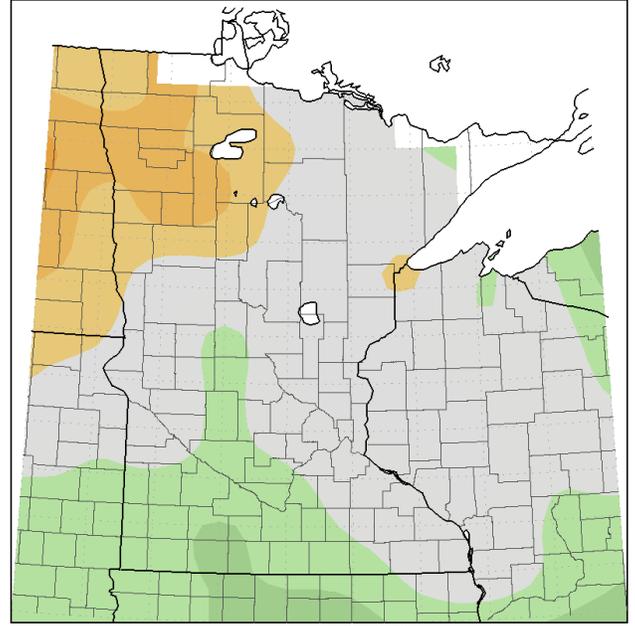
Minnesota Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending June 28, 2015

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
June 22, 2015 to June 28, 2015



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Average Temperature (°F): Departure from Mean
June 22, 2015 to June 28, 2015



Mean period is 1981-2010.
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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/>