



Minnesota Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

Minnesota Field Office · 375 Jackson St, Ste 610 · St. Paul, MN 55101 (651) 728-3113
fax (855) 271-9802 · www.nass.usda.gov/mn
Cooperating with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture

October 17, 2022

Media Contact: Dan Lofthus

Minnesota had 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending October 16, 2022, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. The state saw its first measurable snowfall of the season. In Minneapolis the snow arrived about three weeks earlier than average.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 12 percent very short, 36 percent short, 50 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 11 percent very short, 34 percent short, 53 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus.

Corn mature or beyond was at 96 percent. Corn harvested for grain was at 36 percent, six days behind last year but four days ahead of the 5-year average. Corn moisture content of grain at harvest averaged 19 percent. Corn condition was 3 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 28 percent fair, 48 percent good, and 14 percent excellent. **Corn for silage** was 98 percent harvested.

Soybeans harvested was at 83 percent, six days behind last year but nine days ahead of the 5-year average. **Dry edible beans** were 98 percent harvested.

Potato harvest was 98 percent complete. **Sugarbeet** harvest was 82 percent complete, ten days ahead of the 5-year average. **Sunflowers** were 25 percent harvested. Sunflower condition was 0 percent very poor, 0 percent poor, 16 percent fair, 72 percent good, and 12 percent excellent.

Pasture condition was rated 6 percent very poor, 15 percent poor, 30 percent fair, 40 percent good, and 9 percent excellent.

Crop Condition as of October 16, 2022

| Item | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Corn | 3 | 7 | 28 | 48 | 14 |
| Pasture and range .. | 6 | 15 | 30 | 40 | 9 |
| Sunflowers | 0 | 0 | 16 | 72 | 12 |

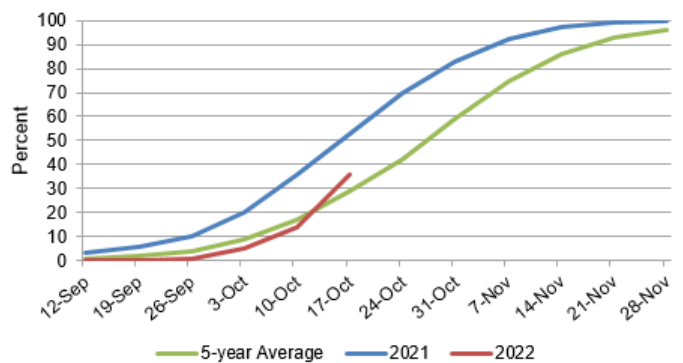
Crop Progress as of October 16, 2022

| Item | This week | Last week | Last year | 5-year avg |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Corn mature | 96 | 92 | 99 | 92 |
| Corn harvested for grain | 36 | 14 | 51 | 29 |
| Corn harvested for silage | 98 | 94 | 100 | 94 |
| Dry ed. beans harvested | 98 | 83 | 96 | 91 |
| Potatoes harvested | 98 | 93 | 91 | 92 |
| Soybeans harvested | 83 | 63 | 90 | 61 |
| Sugarbeets harvested | 82 | 32 | 35 | 59 |
| Sunflowers harvested | 25 | 11 | 39 | 31 |

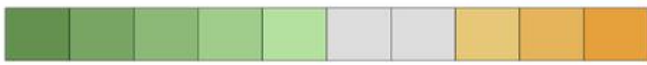
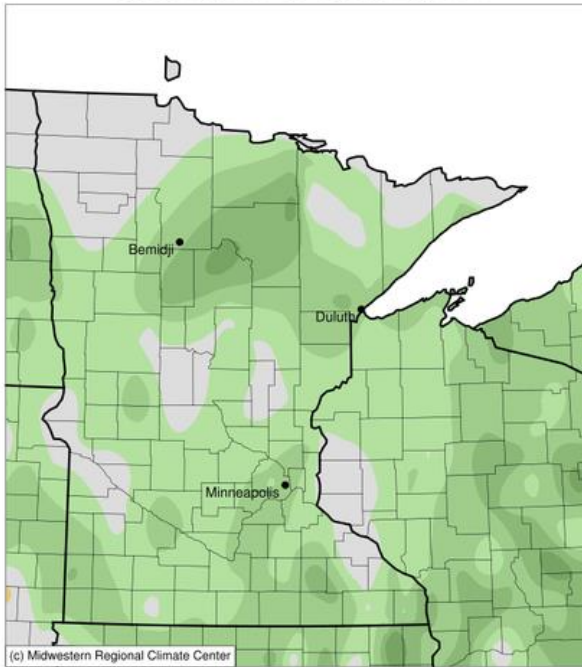
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of October 16, 2022

| Item | This week | Last week | Last year |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | (days) | (days) | (days) |
| Days suitable | 6.1 | 6.4 | 4.4 |
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Topsoil moisture | | | |
| Very short | 12 | 10 | 3 |
| Short | 36 | 34 | 17 |
| Adequate | 50 | 54 | 74 |
| Surplus | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Subsoil moisture | | | |
| Very short | 11 | 10 | 9 |
| Short | 34 | 31 | 32 |
| Adequate | 53 | 57 | 57 |
| Surplus | 2 | 2 | 2 |

Corn for Grain Harvested - Minnesota

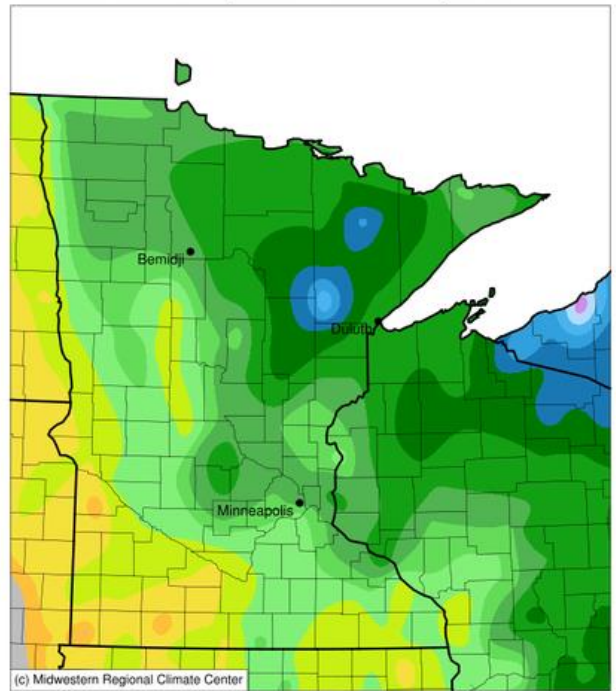


Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
 October 10, 2022 to October 16, 2022



Stations from the following networks used: WBAN, COOP, FAA, GHCN, ThreadEx, CoCoRaHS, WMO, ICAO, NWSLI, Midwest Regional Climate Center
 cli-MATE: MRCC Application Tools Environment
 Generated at: 10/17/2022 10:42:53 AM CDT

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
 October 10, 2022 to October 16, 2022



Stations from the following networks used: WBAN, COOP, FAA, GHCN, ThreadEx, CoCoRaHS, WMO, ICAO, NWSLI, Midwest Regional Climate Center
 cli-MATE: MRCC Application Tools Environment
 Generated at: 10/17/2022 10:44:24 AM CDT