



# Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition

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Minnesota farmers used the **5.8 days suitable for fieldwork** to harvest nearly one-fifth of the State's corn crop and 16 percent of the State's sunflower crop during the week ending November 9, 2014, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Despite continued concerns over corn moisture levels, farmers put in long hours during the week harvesting and working on tillage to beat a forecasted winter storm.

**Topsoil moisture** supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 20 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 18 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

Ninety percent of Minnesota's **corn** acreage was harvested, 10 days ahead of normal. This is the first time this season corn harvest has been ahead of normal. Corn harvest advanced 19 percentage points, the most harvested during this week in November since 2008. **Moisture content of harvested corn** was estimated at 17 percent, down one point from last week.

Eighty four percent of Minnesota's **sunflower** acreage was harvested, 2 days ahead normal. Sunflower harvest advanced 16 percentage points, allowing harvest progress to move from being 5 days behind average last week to ahead of normal.

## Soil Moisture Conditions as of November 9, 2014

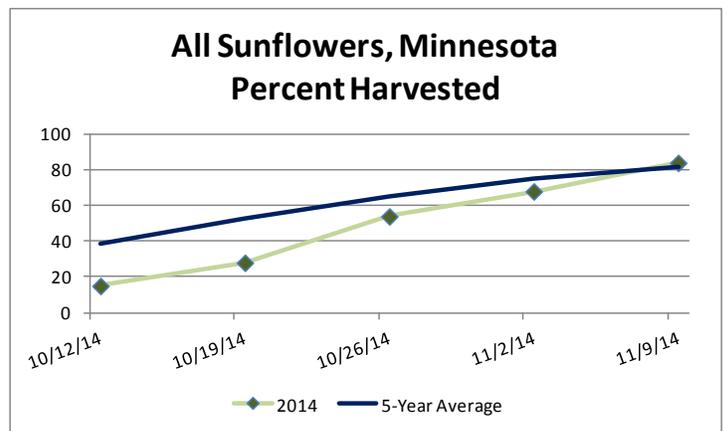
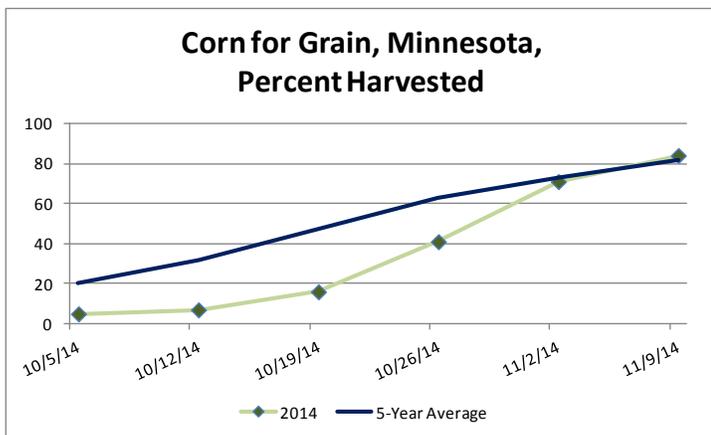
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Topsoil Moisture...	3	20	76	1
Subsoil Moisture...	3	18	78	1

## Crop Progress as of November 9, 2014

Days Suitable for Fieldwork	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
	5.8	6.1	4.6	5.2

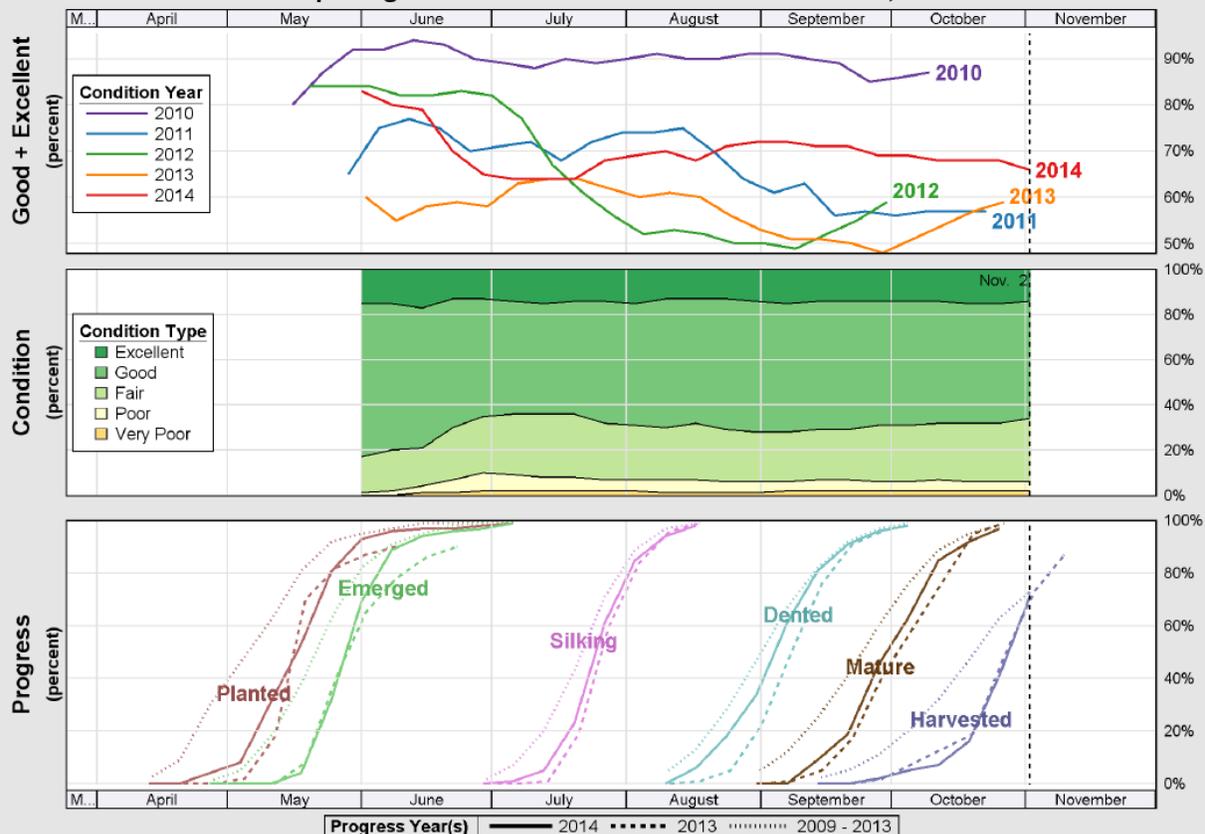
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, harvested for grain .....	90	71	85	81
Sunflowers, harvested .....	84	68	77	82



Beginning November 1, 2014, the weather summary previously published will no longer be available. 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\\_nass.html](http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/climate/historical/summary_nass.html)

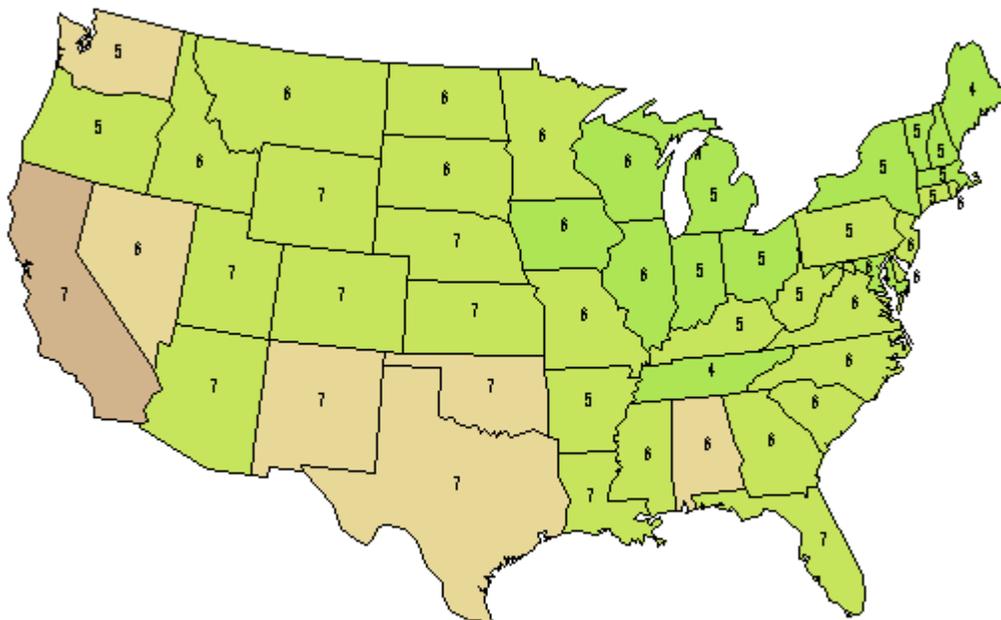
Growing Degree Days can be found at <https://mygeohub.org/groups/u2u/gdd>

National Weather Service's Minnesota Data can be found at <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/view/states.php?state=MN>



Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Crop Progress Report

Days Suitable for Fieldwork & Topsoil Moisture  
Week ending November 2, 2014



Topsoil Moisture: Very Short to Surplus