



Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition

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Minnesota farmers have nearly completed small grain harvest and have begun harvesting dry edible beans and corn for silage during the week ending September 10, 2017, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were **6.2 days suitable for fieldwork**, the second most of any week this year. Field activities included fall tillage, spreading manure, and seeding cover crops.

Topsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 18 percent short, 73 percent adequate and 4 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies rated 4 percent very short, 15 percent short, 76 percent adequate and 5 percent surplus.

Ninety-six percent of the **corn** crop was at or beyond the dough stage. Seventy-one percent of the corn crop reached the dent stage, 9 days behind last year and 5 days behind the 5-year average. There were scattered reports of corn reaching maturity in southern Minnesota. **Corn for silage** harvest has begun and is 10 percent complete, 8 days behind last year. Corn condition improved slightly to 82 percent good to excellent. Forty-seven percent of the **soybean** crop was turning color with 13 percent dropping leaves. Soybean condition declined slightly to 72 percent good to excellent.

Both the **spring wheat** and **oat** harvests were 97 percent complete. Ninety percent of the **dry edible bean** crop was dropping leaves. Dry edible bean harvest was 19 percent complete, 3 days behind average. Dry edible bean condition rating dropped to 67 percent good to excellent. **Sunflower** condition was 86 percent good to excellent. **Potato** harvest was 39 percent complete. Potato crop condition remained at 92 percent good to excellent. **Sugarbeets** were 6 percent lifted. Sugarbeet condition increased slightly to 89 percent good to excellent.

The third cutting of **alfalfa hay** was 85 percent complete. **Pasture** condition stayed at 58 percent good to excellent.

Soil Moisture Supplies as of September 10, 2017

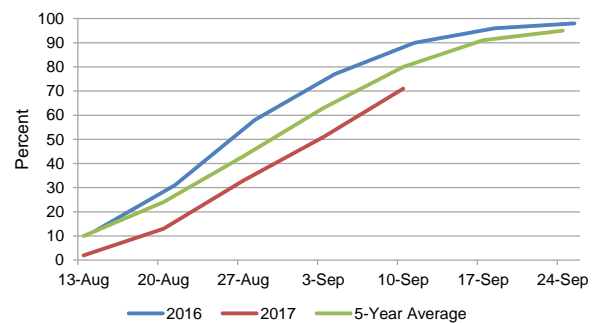
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil Moisture	5	18	73	4
Subsoil Moisture	4	15	76	5

Days Suitable and Crop Progress as of September 10, 2017

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Days suitable	6.2	5.0	2.8	5.1
Corn dough	96	93	100	97
Corn dented	71	51	88	80
Corn harvested for silage ...	10	1	32	37
Dry ed. beans drop leaves	90	63	77	63
Dry ed. beans harvested	19	1	31	25
Hay, alfalfa, third cutting ...	85	82	87	(NA)
Oats harvested	97	86	100	98
Potatoes harvested	39	30	40	34
Soybeans coloring	47	20	65	60
Soybeans dropping leaves	13	2	21	25
Spring wheat harvested	97	89	100	91
Sugarbeets harvested	6	4	10	7

(NA) Not available.

Percent of Corn Dented - Minnesota

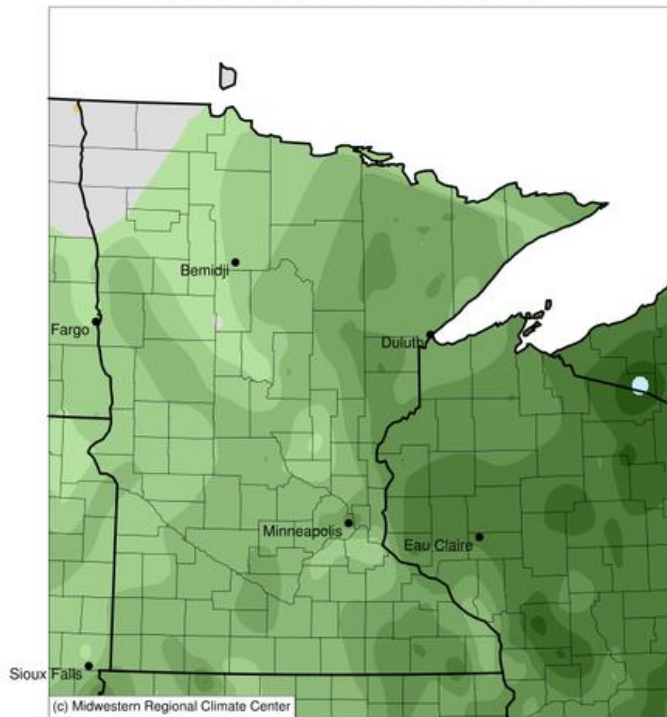


Crop Condition as of September 10, 2017

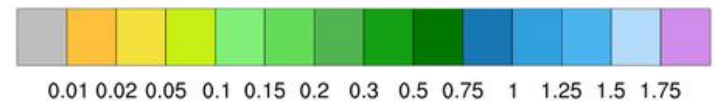
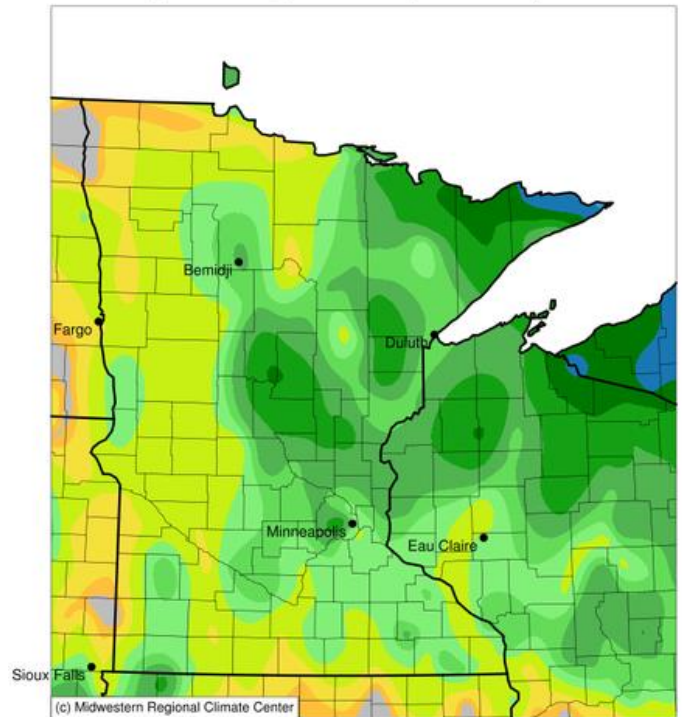
	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	1	2	15	65	17
Dry ed. beans	1	4	28	62	5
Pasture	4	11	27	51	7
Potatoes	0	1	7	63	29
Soybeans	1	6	21	59	13
Sugarbeets ...	2	2	7	37	52
Sunflowers....	0	1	13	66	20

Minnesota Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending September 10, 2017

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals
September 04, 2017 to September 10, 2017



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
September 04, 2017 to September 10, 2017



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/>