



# Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition

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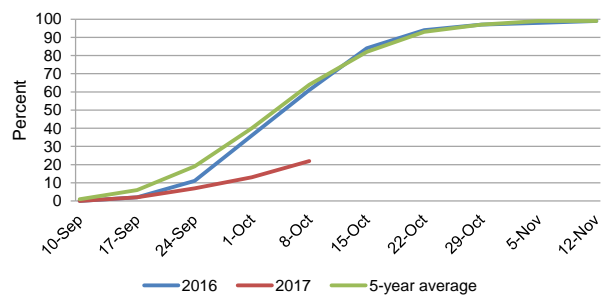
Continued soggy field conditions further delayed soybean harvest, which was still lagging behind the 5-year average pace, and hampered the corn for grain harvest during the week ending October 8, 2017, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were only **2.3 days suitable for fieldwork**, the least number of days since the 1.7 days during the week ending April 30. Despite wet conditions sunflower harvest got underway. Harvest continued for corn silage, dry beans, potatoes, and sugarbeets.

**Topsoil moisture** supplies rated 0 percent very short, 3 percent short, 69 percent adequate and 28 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies rated 2 percent very short, 6 percent short, 73 percent adequate and 19 percent surplus.

Seventy-seven percent of the **corn for grain** crop had reached maturity, 6 days behind average. **Corn harvested for silage** was 83 percent complete, 10 days behind average. Corn condition dropped 1 percentage point to 80 percent good to excellent. Ninety-three percent of the **soybean** crop was dropping leaves, with 22 percent harvested. Soybean condition declined slightly to 69 percent good to excellent.

The **dry edible bean** crop harvest advanced to 90 percent complete, remaining ahead of the average of 89 percent. **Sunflower** harvest was 6 percent complete, 15 days behind average. Sunflower condition improved slightly to 84 percent good to excellent. **Potato** harvest was 82 percent complete. **Sugarbeets** were 41 percent lifted, surpassing last year's pace by 2 days. Sugarbeet condition declined slightly to 87 percent good to excellent. **Pasture** condition declined slightly to 53 percent good to excellent.

Soybeans Harvested - Minnesota:



## Soil Moisture Supplies as of October 8, 2017

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil Moisture	0	3	69	28
Subsoil Moisture	2	6	73	19

## Days Suitable and Crop Progress as of October 8, 2017

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Days suitable.....	2.3	3.6	3.8	(NA)
Corn mature.....	77	55	94	85
Corn harvested for silage...	83	77	96	93
Dry ed. beans harvested....	90	85	97	89
Potatoes harvested.....	82	70	91	88
Soybeans dropping leaves	93	82	99	95
Soybeans harvested.....	22	13	61	63
Sugarbeets harvested.....	41	17	37	52
Sunflowers harvested.....	6	0	36	32

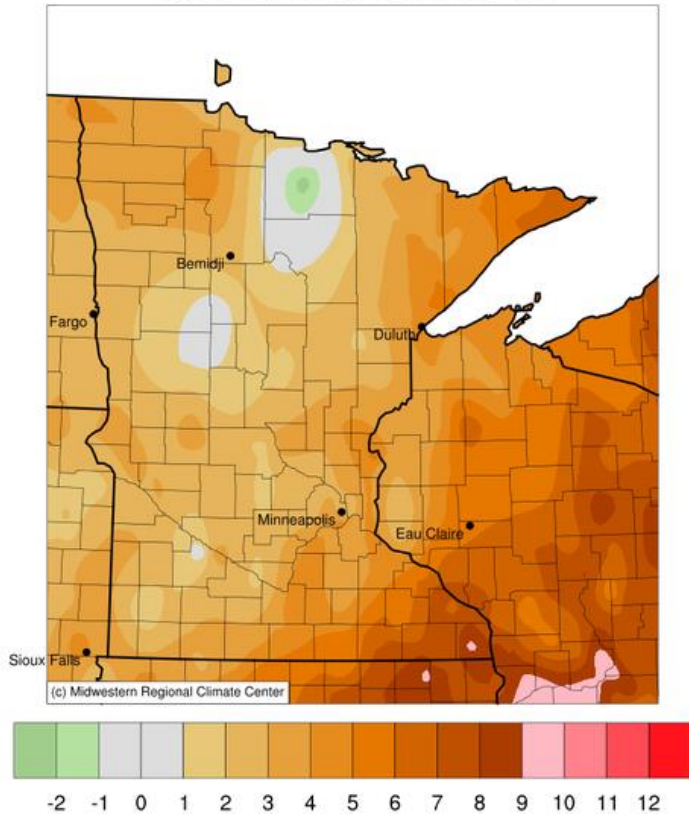
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## Crop Condition as of October 8, 2017

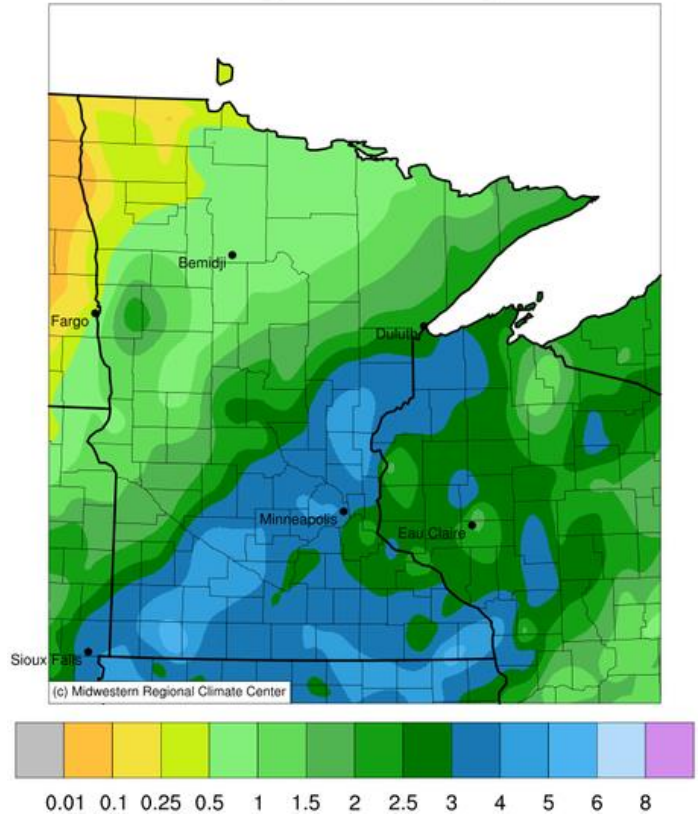
	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn.....	1	3	16	64	16
Pasture.....	3	13	31	49	4
Soybeans.....	1	6	24	58	11
Sugarbeets...	2	2	9	35	52
Sunflowers....	0	1	15	62	22

# Minnesota Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending October 8, 2017

**Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals**  
October 02, 2017 to October 08, 2017



**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
October 02, 2017 to October 08, 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/>