



Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition

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Cool and wet weather conditions hampered harvest progress during the week ending October 14, 2018, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were only **1.1 days suitable for fieldwork**, the fewest days suitable this year since the week ending April 22 when there were no days suitable for fieldwork. The limited field activities for the week included harvesting corn, soybeans, potatoes, sunflowers and sugarbeets.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 0 percent very short, 2 percent short, 56 percent adequate and 42 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, 61 percent adequate and 34 percent surplus.

Corn harvested for grain was 18 percent complete, 10 days ahead of last year but 1 day behind the 5-year average. **Corn moisture** content of grain at harvest averaged 22 percent. Corn crop condition was rated 75 percent good to excellent. Thirty-eight percent of the **soybean** crop was harvested, 1 day behind last year and 9 days behind average. Soybean condition was rated 70 percent good to excellent.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supplies as of October 14, 2018

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
Days suitable.....	1.1	2.9	4.2	5.0
	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture	0	2	56	42
Subsoil moisture	1	4	61	34

Crop Condition as of October 14, 2018

	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn.....	2	4	19	51	24
Soybeans.....	2	6	22	49	21
Sugarbeets	3	6	19	15	57
Sunflowers, all.....	0	2	29	56	13
Pasture and range.....	3	11	35	46	5

Field Work and Crop Progress as of October 14, 2018

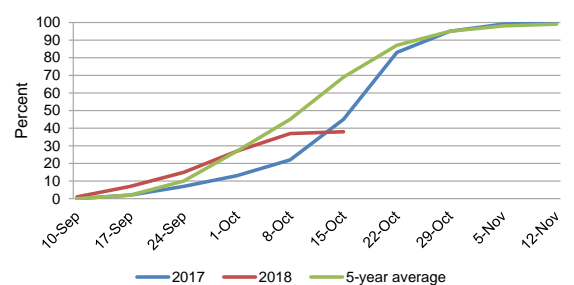
	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn harvested for grain	18	15	7	20
Corn moisture content	22	(NA)	25	21
Potatoes harvested.....	93	87	90	92
Soybeans harvested.....	38	37	42	69
Sugarbeets harvested.....	43	41	69	74
Sunflowers harvested	17	16	19	32

(NA) Not available.

Sunflower harvest was 17 percent complete, 8 days behind average. Sunflower condition was rated at 69 percent good to excellent. **Potato** harvest was 93 percent complete, 1 day ahead of average. **Sugarbeet** harvest was 43 percent complete, 1 week behind average. Sugarbeet condition was 72 percent good to excellent.

Pasture condition was rated 51 percent good to excellent.

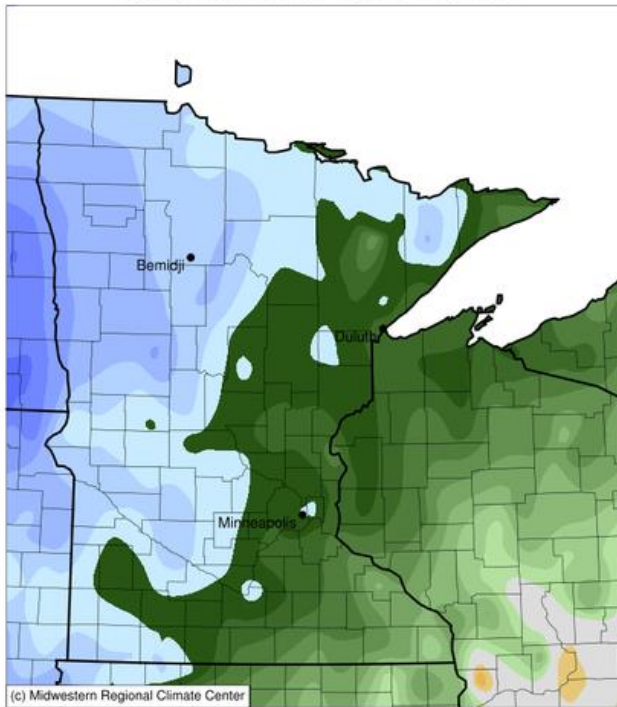
Percent of Soybeans Harvested - Minnesota For the Second Week of October



Minnesota Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending October 14, 2018

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

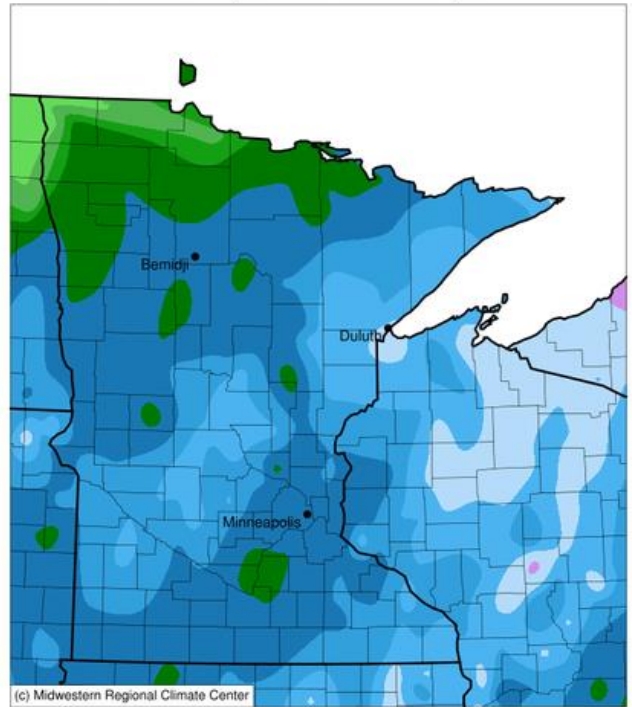
October 08, 2018 to October 14, 2018



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Accumulated Precipitation (in)

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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/>