



Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition

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Limited field activities occurred early in the week before blizzard conditions halted field activities across Minnesota with only 0.1 day suitable for fieldwork during the week ending April 14, 2019, according to USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Many reports from the southern third of Minnesota stated that freezing rain, followed by wet snow and high wind speeds downed power lines. Reported field activities for the week were still scarce with some farmers fertilizing dryer fields, early in the week before the winter storm.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 0 percent very short, 0 percent short, 36 percent adequate, and 64 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 43 percent adequate, and 56 percent surplus.

Respondents indicated livestock concerns given the extreme changes in weather and short hay supplies. Reports of power outages due to the blizzard conditions lead to stressed livestock and farmers.

Crop Progress as of April 14, 2019

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	0.1	0.2	0.0	2.8

Soil Moisture Supplies as of April 14, 2019

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil Moisture	0	0	36	64
Subsoil Moisture	0	1	43	56

Topsoil Moisture Supplies, Minnesota
For the Second Week of April



