



Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition

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Most of Minnesota received only light rain during the week ending July 28, 2019. There were **5.2 days suitable for fieldwork**, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Crop development continued, with some reports of small grain harvest.

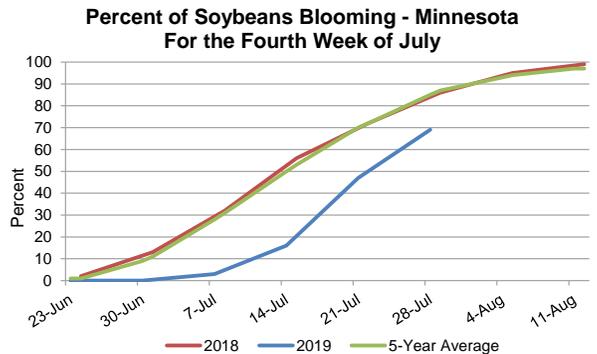
Topsoil moisture condition was rated 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, 71 percent adequate and 24 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition was rated 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, 70 percent adequate and 25 percent surplus.

Silked **corn**, at 54 percent, was 11 days behind last year and 1 week behind the 5-year average. Corn condition was rated at 56 percent good to excellent, a slight decrease from the previous week. **Soybeans** blooming reached 69 percent this week, 8 days behind last year and 1 week behind the average. Twenty-seven percent of soybeans were setting pods, 8 days behind last year and 5 days behind average. Soybean condition rated 60 percent good to excellent.

Seventy-nine percent of the **spring wheat** crop was coloring or beyond, 3 days behind last year. Spring wheat condition rated 83 percent good to excellent, down from the previous week. **Oats** were 83 percent in or beyond the coloring stage, only a day behind normal. Three percent of oats for grain have been harvested. Oat condition was rated 70 percent good to excellent, improving from the previous week. **Barley** coloring or beyond reached 87 percent, now 2 days ahead of the average. Barley condition rated 79 percent good to excellent.

Dry edible bean blooming reached 71 percent complete, 5 days behind the average. Dry edible bean setting pods progressed to 33 percent, 2 days behind normal. Dry edible bean condition was rated 65 percent good to excellent, falling from the previous week. **Sunflower** condition rated 79 percent good to excellent, decreasing from the previous week. **Potato** condition rated 93 percent good to excellent. **Sugarbeet** condition was rated 80 percent good to excellent.

The second cutting of **alfalfa hay** reached 78 percent this week, 3 days behind normal. **Pasture condition** rated 74 percent good to excellent. Some reporters expressed concerns over short forage supplies for the coming winter.



Crop Condition as of July 28, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley	1	1	19	68	11
Corn	3	8	33	47	9
Dry edible beans	2	3	30	57	8
Oats	1	3	26	59	11
Pasture and range	1	4	21	59	15
Potatoes	0	0	7	52	41
Soybeans	2	7	31	52	8
Spring wheat ..	0	1	16	70	13
Sugarbeets	1	4	15	18	62
Sunflowers	0	1	20	70	9

Crop Progress as of July 28, 2019

Item	This week	Last Week	Last Year	5-yr Avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley coloring	87	55	89	83
Corn silking	54	21	90	81
Dry edible beans blooming	71	47	74	81
Dry edible beans setting pods	33	11	39	40
Hay, alfalfa, second cutting	78	63	88	83
Oats coloring	83	51	88	86
Soybeans blooming	69	47	86	85
Soybeans setting pods	27	2	56	46
Spring wheat coloring	79	48	87	78

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of July 28, 2019

Item	This week	Last Week	Last Year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable	5.2	3.8	5.5
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short	1	0	3
Short	4	3	9
Adequate	71	65	72
Surplus	24	32	16
Subsoil moisture			
Very short	1	1	2
Short	4	4	8
Adequate	70	64	69
Surplus	25	31	21

