



# Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition

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Small grain planting progress rapidly advanced during the week ending May 17, 2020, according USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were **5.2 days suitable** for fieldwork. Field activities for the week included planting and spraying.

**Topsoil moisture** supplies were rated 0% very short, 8% short, 79% adequate and 13% surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 0% very short, 3% short, 83% adequate and 14% surplus.

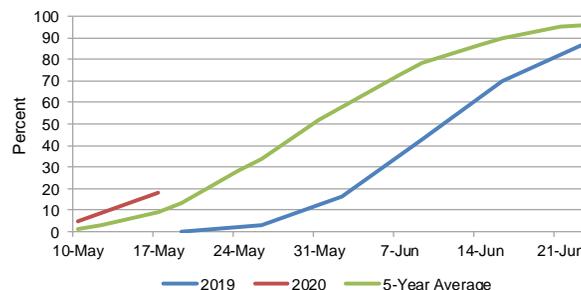
Minnesota's statewide **corn** planting progress was nearing completion at 95%. Corn emergence reached 57%, which is 19 days ahead of last year and 6 days ahead of the 5-year average. **Soybean** planting progress was 74% completed, just over 3 weeks ahead of last year and 9 days ahead of average. Soybean emergence reached 18%, which is 17 days ahead of last year and 4 days ahead of average.

Nearly one-third of the **spring wheat** crop was planted during the week ending May 17, 2020, making the statewide planting progress 70 percent complete. This is 1 day ahead of last year but 6 days behind average. Emergence, at 29%, was well behind average due to the cool weather. **Oat** planting progress and emergence both remained at least 2 weeks ahead of last year at 91% and 69%, respectively. Oats jointing were at 7%. Oat condition rated 68% good to excellent. **Barley** was 69% planted with 41% emerged.

**Sunflower** planting was 11 days behind average at 14% complete. **Potato** planting progress remained ahead of last year at 75% complete but fell a day behind average. **Sugarbeets** were 73% planted, 9 days behind average. **Dry beans** were 27% planted.

**Hay condition** was 1% very poor, 5% poor, 23% fair, 64% good and 7% excellent. **Pasture** conditions were rated 66% good to excellent.

Percent of Soybeans Emerged - Minnesota  
For the Third Week of May



## Crop Condition as of May 17, 2020

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Hay .....	1	5	23	64	7
Oats .....	0	0	32	56	12
Pasture and range .....	1	13	20	58	8

## Crop Progress as of May 17, 2020

Item	This week	Last Week	Last Year	5-yr Avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley planted.....	69	37	66	84
Barley emerged .....	41	21	12	49
Corn planted.....	95	89	46	77
Corn emerged.....	57	32	5	38
Dry edible beans planted .....	27	15	11	30
Oats planted.....	91	78	63	84
Oats emerged.....	69	50	27	61
Oats jointing .....	7	1	0	10
Potatoes planted.....	75	66	59	78
Soybeans planted.....	74	57	17	51
Soybeans emerged.....	18	5	0	9
Spring wheat planted.....	70	40	64	86
Spring wheat emerged.....	29	11	13	53
Sugarbeets planted.....	73	53	80	92
Sunflowers planted .....	14	6	19	45

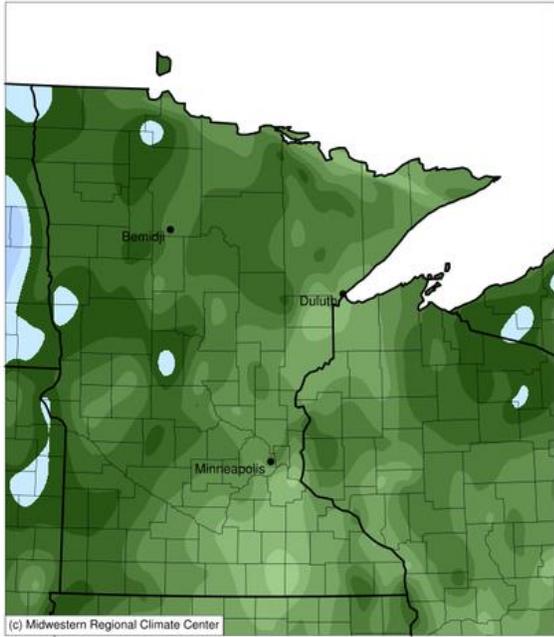
## Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of May 17, 2020

Item	This week	Last Week	Last Year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable .....	5.2	4.8	4.5
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short .....	0	1	1
Short .....	8	10	2
Adequate .....	79	80	55
Surplus .....	13	9	42
Subsoil moisture			
Very short .....	0	0	0
Short .....	3	6	2
Adequate .....	83	79	52
Surplus .....	14	15	46

# Minnesota Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending May 17, 2020

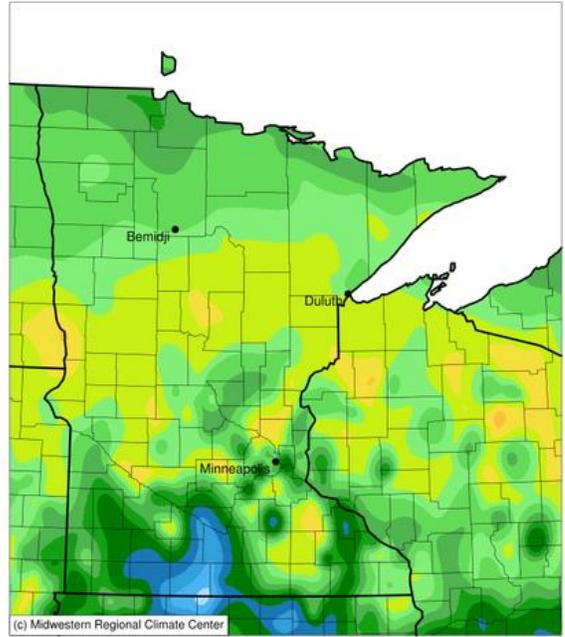
Maps from the *Midwestern Regional Climate Center* reflect data collected from 7:00 A.M. Central Time on May 11, 2020, through 7:00 A.M. Central Time on May 17, 2020.

**Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals**  
May 11, 2020 to May 17, 2020



Stations from the following networks used: WBAN, COOP, FAA, GHCN, ThreadEx, CoCoRaHS, WMO, ICAO, NWSLI, Midwestern Regional Climate Center cli-MATE: MRCC Application Tools Environment  
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**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
May 11, 2020 to May 17, 2020



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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/>