



Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition

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Warm and dry conditions advanced row crop development during the week ending August 9, 2020, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were **5.8 days suitable** for fieldwork, the most so far this season. Field activities included cutting hay and harvesting small grains, potatoes, fruits and vegetables.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 3% very short, 14% short, 74% adequate and 9% surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 2% very short, 10% short, 79% adequate and 9% surplus.

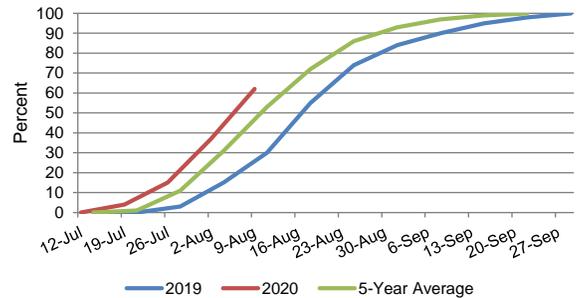
Corn was 62% in the dough stage or beyond, 12 days ahead of last year and 5 days ahead of the 5-year average. Corn condition rated 84% good to excellent. **Soybeans** setting pods reached 91%, almost 2 weeks ahead of last year and over a week ahead of the average. Soybean condition rated 84% good to excellent.

Spring wheat coloring was nearly complete at 98% with harvest 19% complete, 11 days ahead of last year but 2 days behind normal. Spring wheat condition rated 75% good to excellent. The **oat** harvest was 64% complete, 13 days ahead of last year and 1 week ahead of average. **Barley** for grain was 39% harvested. Barley condition rated 74% good to excellent.

Sunflower condition declined to 73% good to excellent. The **potato** harvest was over 2 weeks ahead of both last year and the average at 18% complete. Potato condition rated at 89% good to excellent. **Sugarbeet** condition remained at 93% good to excellent. **Dry beans** setting pods reached 94%. Dry bean condition declined to 80% good to excellent.

Minnesota's second cutting of **alfalfa hay** was 91% complete. **Pasture** condition decreased to 65% good to excellent.

**Corn Dough - Minnesota
For the Second Week of August**



Crop Condition as of August 9, 2020

Item	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Barley	1	3	22	64	10
Corn.....	1	2	13	53	31
Dry beans	0	1	19	72	8
Pasture and range	2	6	27	57	8
Potatoes.....	0	1	10	58	31
Soybeans.....	1	2	13	59	25
Spring wheat...	2	4	19	64	11
Sugarbeets	1	2	4	40	53
Sunflowers	2	4	21	68	5

Crop Progress as of August 9, 2020

Item	This week (percent)	Last Week (percent)	Last Year (percent)	5-yr Avg (percent)
Barley harvested.....	39	16	18	44
Corn dough.....	62	37	26	48
Dry beans setting pods	94	79	76	85
Hay, alfalfa, second cutting.....	91	87	93	95
Oats harvested for grain	64	40	26	45
Potatoes harvested.....	18	10	2	6
Soybeans setting pods	91	74	68	81
Spring wheat coloring	98	93	96	99
Spring wheat harvested.....	19	7	6	27

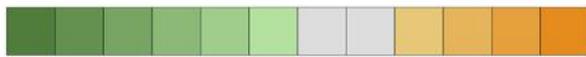
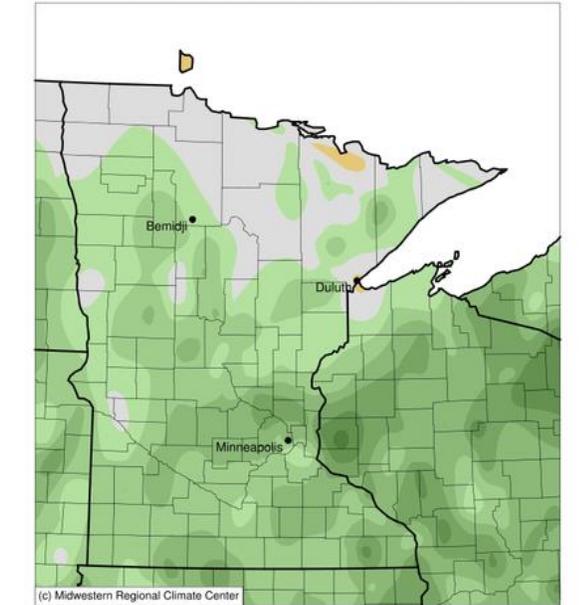
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of August 9, 2020

Item	This week (days)	Last Week (days)	Last Year (days)
Days suitable	5.8	5.7	5.7
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short	3	2	2
Short	14	10	10
Adequate	74	75	80
Surplus	9	13	8
Subsoil moisture			
Very short	2	2	2
Short	10	7	7
Adequate	79	80	82
Surplus	9	11	9

Minnesota Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending August 9, 2020

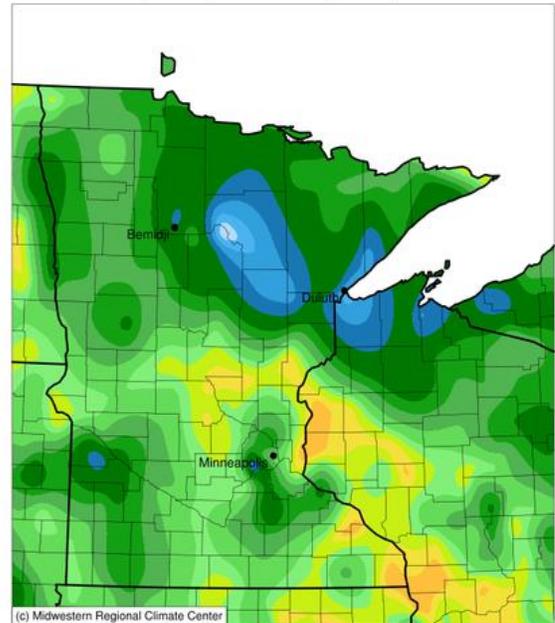
Maps from the *Midwestern Regional Climate Center* reflect data collected from 7:00 A.M. Central Time on August 3, 2020, through 7:00 A.M. Central Time on August 9, 2020.

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals
August 03, 2020 to August 09, 2020



Stations from the following networks used: WBAN, COOP, FAA, GHCN, ThreadEx, CoCoRaHS, WMO, ICAO, NWSLI, Midwestern Regional Climate Center
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Accumulated Precipitation (in)
August 03, 2020 to August 09, 2020



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National Weather Service data, courtesy of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources State Climatology Office, is available at:

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/>