



# Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition

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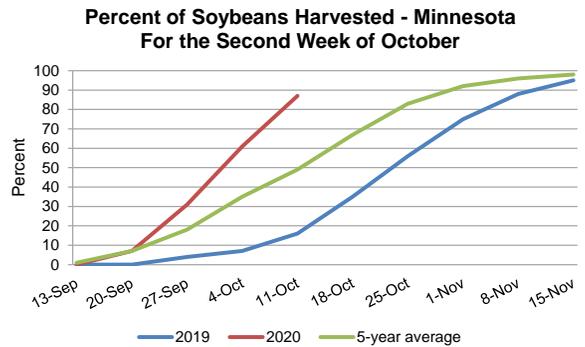
Unseasonably warm and dry conditions advanced harvest progress during the week ending October 11, 2020, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were **6.5 days suitable for fieldwork**, the most of any week this year. Field activities included fall tillage, harvesting corn for grain, soybeans, potatoes, sugarbeets, sunflowers, and dry beans.

**Topsoil moisture** condition rated to 3% very short, 17% short, 76% adequate and 4% surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 4% very short, 14% short, 78% adequate and 4% surplus.

**Corn** for grain had reached maturity on 98% of the acres, 20 days ahead of last year and 12 days ahead of the 5-year average. The corn for grain harvest was 34% complete, 20 days ahead of last year and 10 days ahead of average. Corn moisture content of grain at harvest averaged 19%. Corn condition remained at 81% good to excellent. One-quarter of Minnesota's **soybean** crop was harvested during the week ending October 11 with 87% now harvested, four weeks ahead of last year and 17 days ahead of average.

**Sunflowers** were 41% harvested, 25 days ahead of last year and 8 days ahead of normal. Sunflower condition declined slightly to 77% good to excellent. The **potato** harvest was 95% complete, three weeks ahead of last year and 9 days ahead of normal. Over one-third of the total **sugarbeet** acres were harvested during the week, advancing the total harvest progress to 86% complete. This is 27 days ahead of last year and 15 days ahead of normal.

The **dry bean** harvest was 97% complete, more than 5 weeks ahead of last year. **Pasture** condition increased to 57% good to excellent.



## Crop Condition as of October 11, 2020

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn.....	1	3	15	53	28
Pasture and range .....	5	7	31	52	5
Sunflowers .....	3	3	17	70	7

## Crop Progress as of October 11, 2020

Item	This week	Last Week	Last Year	5-yr Avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn mature .....	98	94	58	86
Corn harvested for grain .....	34	14	4	15
Corn moisture content .....	19	22	(NA)	(NA)
Dry beans harvested.....	97	88	58	90
Potatoes harvested.....	95	87	78	88
Soybeans harvested.....	87	61	16	49
Sugarbeets harvested.....	86	50	27	52
Sunflowers harvested .....	41	24	0	25

(NA) Not available.

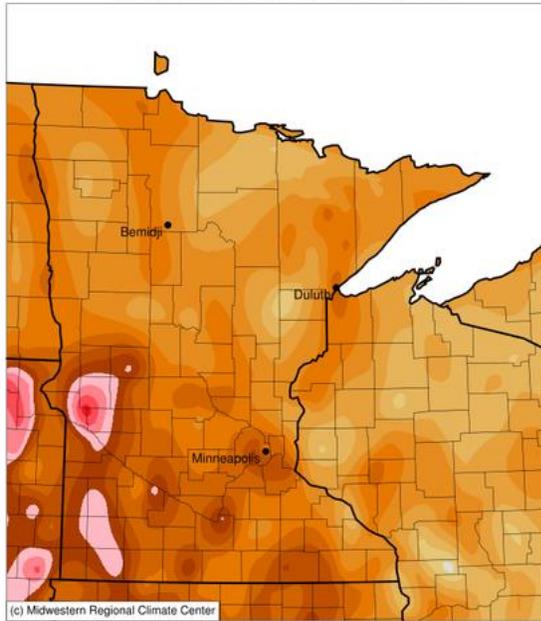
## Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of October 11, 2020

Item	This week	Last Week	Last Year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable .....	6.5	5.4	2.7
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short .....	3	2	0
Short .....	17	12	0
Adequate .....	76	80	49
Surplus .....	4	6	51
Subsoil moisture			
Very short .....	4	3	0
Short .....	14	12	0
Adequate .....	78	79	54
Surplus .....	4	6	46

## Minnesota Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending October 11, 2020

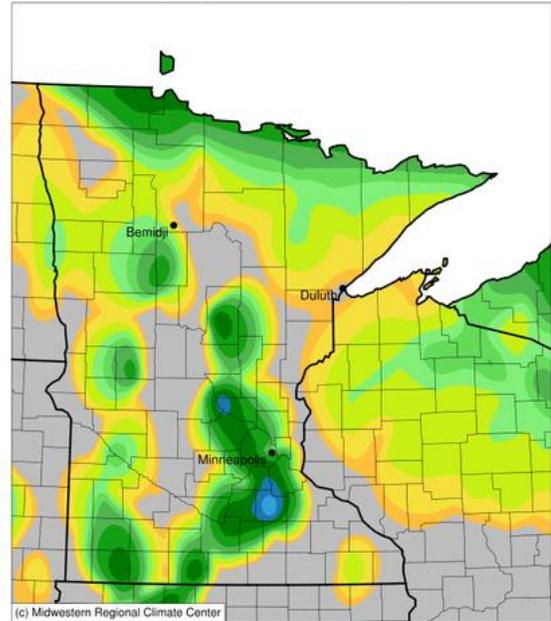
Maps from the *Midwestern Regional Climate Center* reflect data collected from 7:00 A.M. Central Time on October 5, 2020, through 7:00 A.M. Central Time on October 11, 2020.

**Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normal**  
October 05, 2020 to October 11, 2020



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Stations from the following networks used: WBAN, COOP, FAA, GHCN, ThreadEx, CoCoRaHS, WMO, ICAO, NWSLI,  
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**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
October 05, 2020 to October 11, 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/>