Below average temperatures and numerous snowfall events throughout Minnesota slowed the season’s rapid corn for grain harvest progress pace during the week ending October 25, 2020, according to USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Muddy fields and pastures occurred statewide. There were 2.6 days suitable for fieldwork, the fewest days for any week since the two days during the week ending April 19, 2020. When producers were able to work in the fields their activities included harvesting corn for grain, soybeans, and sunflowers; applying fertilizer and manure; and fall tillage.

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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/