



# Minnesota Crop Progress & Condition

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Below normal temperatures persisted but Minnesota farmers had **5.6 days suitable for fieldwork** during the week ending May 2, 2021, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The primary field activity was planting with significant progress made in seeding small grains, row crops and potatoes.

**Topsoil moisture** supplies were rated 8% very short, 27% short, 60% adequate and 5% surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 8% very short, 27% short, 60% adequate and 5% surplus. Dry conditions continue to be reported.

During the week ending May 2, Minnesota farmers were able to plant over 40% of their expected **corn** crop for a total of 60% planted, 2 days behind last year but 10 days ahead of the 5-year average. **Soybeans** were 23% planted, 2 days behind last year but 1 week ahead of normal.

**Spring wheat** was 72% planted, over 2 weeks ahead of last year and 13 days ahead of the 5-year average. Spring wheat was 19% emerged, 11 days ahead of 2020 and 8 days ahead of normal. **Oats** were 69% planted, 4 days ahead of last year and 10 days ahead of average. Oats were 25% emerged, 1 day behind last year but 2 days ahead of normal. **Barley** was 63% planted, 2 weeks ahead of last year and 12 days ahead of the average. Barley was 6% emerged, 2 days behind the previous year and 1 day behind normal.

**Potato** planting was 44% complete, 1 day behind last year but 4 days ahead of the average. Over three-quarters of the **sugarbeet** crop has been planted at 79% complete statewide, almost 3 weeks ahead of last year and 12 days ahead of average. **Dry beans** were 5% planted, equal to last year but 4 days ahead of normal.

**Pasture condition** rated 6% very poor, 10% poor, 37% fair, 41% good and 6% excellent. Pasture growth has been slow in some areas. No problems were reported with livestock.

## Crop Condition as of May 2, 2021

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range .....	6	10	37	41	6

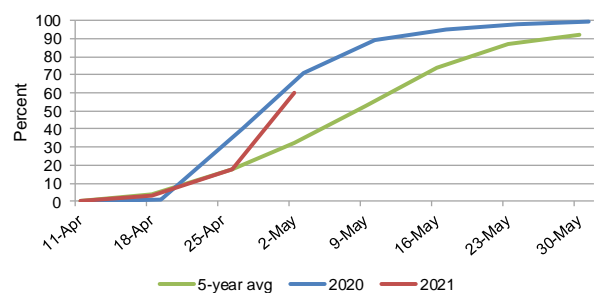
## Crop Progress as of May 2, 2021

Item	This week	Last Week	Last Year	5-yr Avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley planted.....	63	12	22	21
Barley emerged .....	6	2	9	7
Corn planted.....	60	18	71	32
Dry edible beans planted .....	5	1	5	2
Oats planted.....	69	42	59	43
Oats emerged.....	25	14	31	22
Potatoes planted.....	44	12	40	31
Soybeans planted.....	23	2	31	9
Spring wheat planted.....	72	19	19	27
Spring wheat emerged.....	19	1	3	8
Sugarbeets planted.....	79	28	37	44

## Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of May 2, 2021

Item	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable .....	5.6	3.8	5.2
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short .....	8	4	0
Short .....	27	21	11
Adequate .....	60	65	78
Surplus .....	5	10	11
Subsoil moisture			
Very short .....	8	5	0
Short .....	27	24	5
Adequate .....	60	63	78
Surplus .....	5	8	17

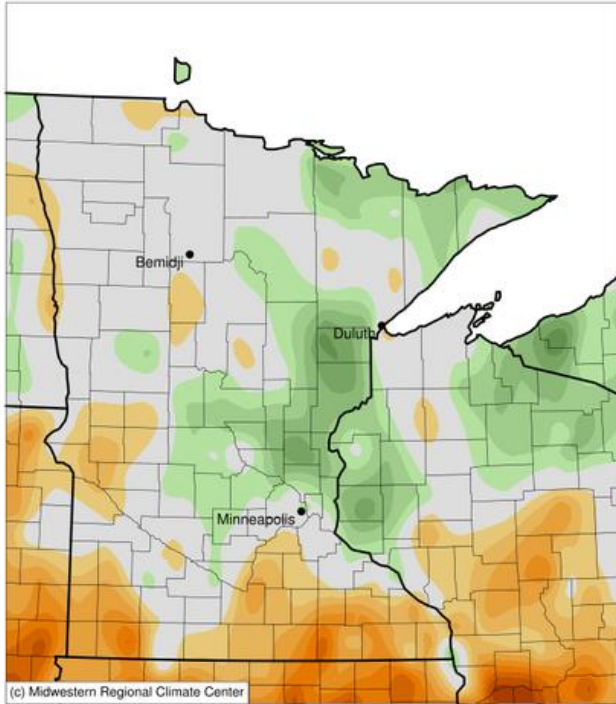
**Corn Planted - Minnesota For the First Week of May**



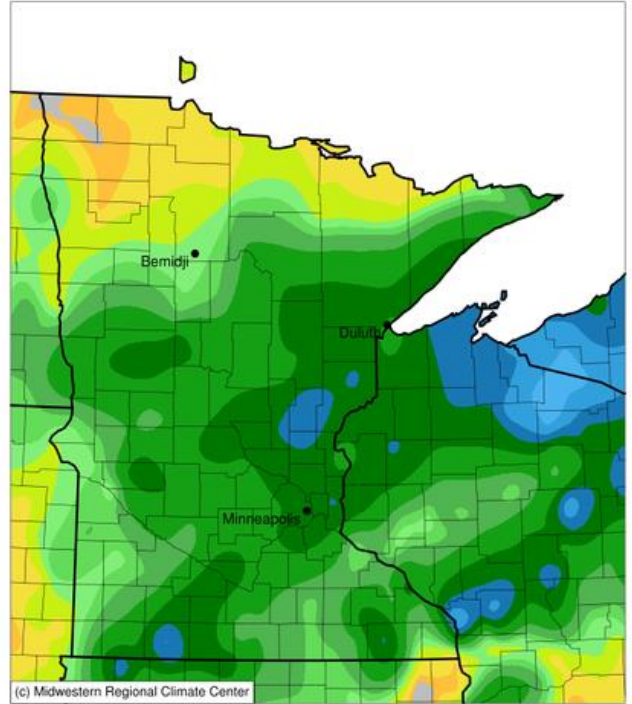
# Minnesota Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending May 2, 2021

Maps from the *Midwestern Regional Climate Center* reflect data collected from 7:00 A.M. Central Time on April 26, 2021, through 7:00 A.M. Central Time on May 2, 2021.

**Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals**  
April 26, 2021 to May 02, 2021



**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
April 26, 2021 to May 02, 2021



Legend for Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals. Color scale ranges from -8 (dark green) to 12 (dark red).  
Stations from the following networks used: WBAN, COOP, FAA, GHCN, ThreadEx, CoCoRaHS, WMO, ICAO, NWSLI,  
Midwestern Regional Climate Center  
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Legend for Accumulated Precipitation (in). Color scale ranges from 0.01 (light yellow) to 1.75 (dark blue).  
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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://mrcc.illinois.edu/U2U/gdd/>

Temperature and Precipitation Maps, courtesy of the Midwestern Regional Climate Center, are available at: <http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu/CLIMATE/>