According to USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service, scattered rainfall allowed 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending September 19, 2021. Field activities for the week included harvesting of row crops.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 11% very short, 24% short, 61% adequate and 4% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were rated 19% very short, 37% short, 43% adequate and 1% surplus.

Corn dented reached 94%, seven days behind last year but seven days ahead of average. Corn mature reached 59%, one day behind last year but eight days ahead of the average. Corn harvested for grain reached 6%, eight days ahead of last year and twelve days ahead of the average. Corn harvested for silage reached 85%. Corn condition rated 38% good to excellent.

Soybeans coloring reached 96%, one day ahead of last year and over a week ahead of the 5-year average. Soybeans dropping leaves reached 74%, two days ahead of last year and seven days ahead of the average. Soybeans harvested reached 11%. Soybeans condition rated 35% good to excellent.

Dry beans dropping leaves reached 95%. Dry bean harvest was 52% complete. Dry beans condition rated 21% good to excellent. Potatoes were 41% harvested. Potato condition rated 73% good to excellent. Sunflower condition rated 40% good to excellent. Sugarbeets reached 10% harvested. Sugarbeets condition rated 72% good to excellent.

Pasture condition was 27% very poor, 30% poor, 31% fair, 9% good and 3% excellent. No livestock losses reported.
Minnesota Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending September 19, 2021

Maps from the Midwestern Regional Climate Center reflect data collected from 7:00 A.M. Central Time on September 13, 2021, through 7:00 A.M. Central Time on September 19, 2021.

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/