

Minnesota Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition



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Another hot, dry week gave Minnesota farmers 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending September 3, 2023, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Fieldwork included harvest of small grains and sugarbeets and chopping corn for silage. Some cattle and poultry losses were reported due to the heat.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 28 percent very short, 43 percent short, 29 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 24 percent very short, 48 percent short, 28 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus.

Corn in the dough stage reached 97 percent, 8 days ahead of last year and 5 days ahead of the 5-year average. The dent stage reached 71 percent and the crop was 11 percent mature. Corn condition rating dropped to 39 percent good to excellent. Corn for silage harvest reached 31 percent.

Soybeans turning color were at 48 percent, 1 week ahead of last year and 3 days ahead of the 5-year average. Soybeans dropping leaves reached 12 percent. Soybean condition was 47 percent good to excellent.

Barley was 87 percent harvested, **oats** were 95 percent harvested, and **spring wheat** was 85 percent harvested.

Dry edible beans reached 70 percent dropping leaves. Dry edible beans condition was 58 percent good to excellent. The **potato** crop was 19 percent harvested with condition of the crop rating 85 percent good to excellent. **Sugarbeet** harvest was at 6 percent and the condition was rated 93 percent good to excellent. **Sunflower** condition was 64 percent good to excellent.

Crop Condition as of September 3, 2023

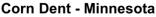
Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	7 1 22 0 5 0	18 9 41 1 13 2	36 32 28 14 35 5	33 52 9 59 40 33 63	6 0 26 7 60

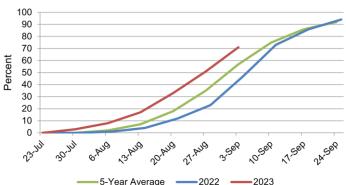
Crop Progress as of September 3, 2023

Item	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley harvested	87	69	58	89
Corn dough	97	94	91	94
Corn dented	71	51	44	57
Corn mature	11	2	1	8
Corn harvested for silage	31	12	8	21
Dry ed. beans drop leaves	70	47	49	58
Oats harvested for grain	95	84	81	92
Potatoes harvested	19	14	14	20
Soybeans coloring	48	25	23	36
Soybeans dropping leaves	12	3	0	8
Spring wheat harvested	85	57	55	82
Sugarbeets harvested	6	3	2	4

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of September 3, 2023

<u>Item</u>	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable	6.5	6.3	6.2
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short	28	21	6
Short	43	39	23
Adequate	29	40	68
Surplus	0	0	3
Subsoil moisture			
Very short	24	18	5
Short	48	44	20
Adequate	28	38	72
Surplus	0	0	3

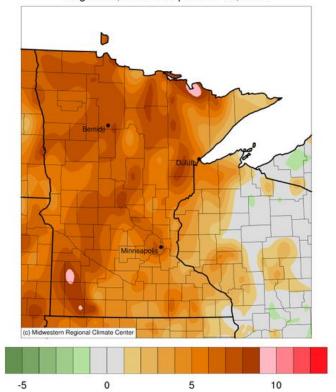




The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

August 28, 2023 to September 03, 2023



Accumulated Precipitation (in)

August 28, 2023 to September 03, 2023

