



Tennessee Crop Weather

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COOLER TEMPERATURES ARRIVE

A cold front made its way across the state last week bringing with it rain and significantly cooler temperatures. Many areas reported their first hard freeze of the season and a few isolated snowflakes were reported. Farmers along the Tennessee River reported damage to unharvested crops from the strong storms that went through on Saturday, October 26. Pasture conditions showed signs of improvement after the rains and livestock producers reported that their ponds were filling back up, alleviating the need to haul water to their herds. There were 2.6 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was rated 3 percent very short, 10 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 23 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated 4 percent very short, 16 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2018	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Corn – Harvested	99	98	96	97	Corn	1	2	14	56	27
Cotton – Harvested	67	60	77	68	Wheat	4	5	30	54	7
Soybeans – Harvested	75	72	67	73	Pasture	12	31	40	15	2
Winter Wheat – Planted	58	50	61	66	Cattle	1	5	29	57	8
Winter Wheat – Emerged	36	21	42	40						

County Agent Comments

A storm damaged approximately 300 ag buildings and structures. About 800 acres of unharvested soybeans, 300 acres of cotton, and some unharvested corn were affected.
Ricky R. Mathenia, McNairy County

The farmers in Fayette County did not get a lot of harvesting or planting done this week. Rain and wet conditions prevented this. Also, the temps were cooler than average.
Jeff Via, Fayette County

Clouds and rain were the theme this past week with little to no field work completed. Approximately 1.7" to 2.0" fell on Wednesday and Thursday. Finished up the month with a little sleet and a few snowflakes on October 31st.
Jeff Lannom, Weakley County

After multiple mild frosty mornings in October we finally had our first hard freeze. Field work was minimal during the week.
Calvin C. Bryant III, Lawrence County

We have had 4 to 5 inches of rain this week and everything we have planted looks good.
Larry Moorehead, Moore County

More rain last week halted corn and bean harvest. Week also saw first below freezing temperatures of the season.
Kevin Rose, Giles County

More rain this week and this has significantly improved topsoil moisture but made it difficult to do field work. Water availability for livestock has improved. Temperatures dropped below freezing one night and we had a heavy frost.
A. Ruth Correll, Wilson County

2 inches rain so far this week.
John Goddard, Loudon County

Frequent rain has greatly improved soil moisture.
Chris Ramsey, Sullivan County

This week saw cooler temperatures with morning frosts and additional rains. Fall plantings have resumed. Hay feeding continues for livestock.
John Wilson, Blount County

More beneficial rains this week, with some areas of the county receiving 2+ inches. Pasture conditions have improved.
Jason Debusk, Bradley County

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