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Wisconsin Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition



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Wisconsin had 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending August 6, 2023, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Most of the state saw a dry week which enabled quick progress for harvesting hay and small grain crops. Portions of Northeast and East Central Wisconsin did receive rain, which helped alleviate some effects of drought.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 11 percent very short, 36 percent short, 52 percent adequate and 1 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture condition rated 19 percent very short, 34 percent short, 47 percent adequate and 0 percent surplus.

Corn silking was 83 percent complete, 5 days ahead of last year and 2 days ahead of the five-year average. Twenty percent of corn had reached the dough stage. Corn condition was 53 percent good to excellent, down 2 percent from last week.

Eighty-six percent of the soybean crop was blooming, equal to last year and 1 day ahead of the average. Fortytwo percent of the soybean crop were setting pods. Soybean condition was 52 percent good to excellent, up 1 percent from last week.

Oat coloring was at 94 percent. Forty-three percent of the oat crop has been harvested, 8 days ahead of last year and 4 days ahead of the average. Oat condition was 49 percent good to excellent, up 5 percent from last week.

Seventy-six percent of the winter wheat crop has been harvested, 1 day ahead of last year and 1 day ahead of the average. Winter wheat condition was rated 66 percent good to excellent statewide, up 3 percent from last week.

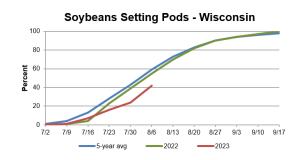
Five percent of the **potato** crop has been harvested, 12 days behind last year and 9 days behind last year.

The third cutting of alfalfa was 61 percent complete, 1 day ahead of last year and 5 days ahead of the average. All hay condition was reported 45 percent good to excellent statewide, equal to last week.

Pasture condition was rated 32 good to excellent statewide, up 2 percent from last week.

Crop Condition as of August 6, 2023

Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
3	13	31	41	12	
4	14	37	40	5	
3	16	32	44	5	
7	21	40	30	2	
3	11	34	40	12	
2	5	27	53	13	
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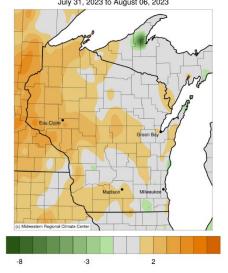
	Districts								State				
Item	NW	NC	NE	WC	С	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)										
Corn silking	91	82	73	80	86	67	86	92	87	83	60	74	80
Corn dough	13	3	6	18	28	12	22	32	34	20	5	18	24
Hay, alfalfa, 3rd cutting	37	25	44	69	38	75	81	60	73	61	37	59	49
Oats coloring	92	90	91	99	98	85	99	98	90	94	86	93	91
Oats harvested for grain		10	14	63	45	30	89	71	51	43	19	28	35
Soybeans blooming	98	92	89	83	78	71	89	93	78	86	74	86	85
Soybeans setting pods	54	35	44	42	29	40	63	37	29	42	24	55	59
Wheat, winter, harvested	58	35	56	70	72	71	73	92	90	76	49	73	74

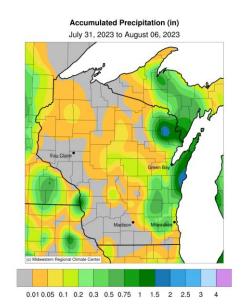
The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of August 6, 2023

	Districts							State				
Item	NW	NC	NE	WC	С	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)									
Days suitable	6.6	6.0	5.4	5.9	6.9	5.4	6.2	6.3	6.4	6.1	4.9	5.8
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)									
Topsoil moisture												
Very short	10	21	6	3	13	1	13	20	13	11	8	5
Short	39	41	33	25	30	30	38	44	46	36	36	19
Adequate	49	38	55	72	57	68	45	36	41	52	55	72
Surplus	2	0	6	0	0	1	4	0	0	1	1	4
Subsoil moisture												
Very short	15	10	5	11	17	11	30	37	22	19	18	8
Short	37	39	22	30	40	29	29	38	50	34	31	20
Adequate	47	51	72	59	43	60	41	25	28	47	51	70
Surplus	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2







District	Tempe	erature	Precipitation			
and State	Average	Departure from Normal ²	Total	Departure from Normal ²		
Northwest	70.3	3.2	0.12	-0.76		
North Central	67.9	2.2	0.05	-0.76		
Northeast	68.7	2.3	0.69	-0.11		
West Central	73.1	3.3	0.10	-0.65		
Central	71.3	2.2	0.14	-0.63		
East Central	70.8	1.7	0.58	-0.21		
Southwest	72.3	2.2	0.09	-0.75		
South Central	71.8	1.7	0.11	-0.79		
Southeast	71.7	1.3	0.15	-0.78		
Wisconsin	70.6	2.4	0.20	-0.62		

¹ Base 50° F. 2 Normal based on 1991-2020 data.