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Wisconsin had 2.8 **days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending October 29, 2023, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Rain across most of the state slowed fieldwork. Fieldwork included harvesting corn and soybeans, planting wheat, and tilling fields.

**Topsoil moisture** condition rated 3 percent very short, 10 percent short, 71 percent adequate and 16 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 7 percent very short, 23 percent short, 62 percent adequate and 8 percent surplus.

Ninety-six percent of the **corn** crop was mature. The corn for grain harvest was 35 percent complete, equal to last year but 3 days behind the average. Moisture content of corn harvested for grain was 23 percent. Corn condition was 54 percent good to excellent, up 4 percent from last week. Corn for silage harvest was 98 percent complete.

The soybean harvest was 77 percent complete, 5 days behind last year but 2 days ahead of the average.

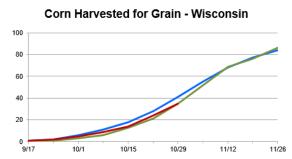
Ninety-three percent of the **winter wheat** crop has been planted. Seventy-two percent of the winter wheat crop has emerged, 3 days behind last year but 2 days ahead of the average. Winter wheat condition was 65 percent good to excellent, equal to last week.

Ninety-seven percent of the **potato** crop has been harvested.

Pasture condition was rated 33 good to excellent statewide, up 3 percent from last week.

Fall tillage was 36 percent complete, 11 days behind last year and 3 days behind the average.

## Crop Condition as of October 29, 2023 Very Item Poor Fair Good Excellent Poor (percent) (percent) (percent) (percent) (percent) 5 30 39 15 Corn ...... Pasture and range 8 23 36 30 3 29 Wheat. winter . 5 49 16



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## Crop Progress as of October 29, 2023

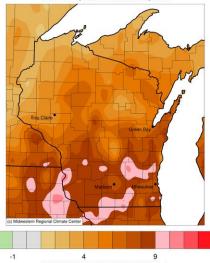
	Districts									State			
Item	NW	NC	NE	WC	С	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)									
Corn mature	98	94	97	96	99	91	98	96	94	96	92	98	95
Corn harvested for grain		17	19	32	26	18	45	52	29	35	24	35	41
Fall tillage	39	28	28	28	46	38	32	46	30	36	30	49	39
Soybeans harvested	77	62	64	82	56	74	89	82	80	77	69	85	74
Wheat, winter, planted	99	97	95	97	94	94	97	91	85	93	86	95	89
Wheat, winter, emerged	96	79	83	78	84	71	74	66	64	72	61	77	69

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

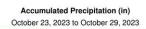
## Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of October 29, 2023

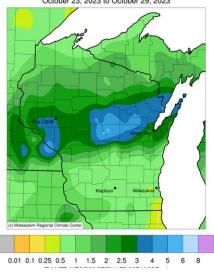
	Districts										State		
Item	NW	NC	NE	WC	С	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	
	(days)	(days)	(days)										
Days suitable	2.8	2.7	1.3	2.2	2.9	2.6	3.5	3.2	4.0	2.8	4.8	5.8	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)										
Topsoil moisture													
Very short	0	0	1	0	10	1	1	8	0	3	6	3	
Short	4	0	8	4	12	14	11	22	7	10	20	20	
Adequate	79	63	76	76	33	80	79	70	72	71	69	75	
Surplus	17	37	15	20	45	5	9	0	21	16	5	2	
Subsoil moisture													
Very short	0	0	4	9	6	6	5	19	2	7	11	3	
Short	15	7	16	14	15	21	50	32	22	23	31	19	
Adequate	76	90	72	60	46	72	45	49	74	62	57	76	
Surplus	9	3	8	17	33	1	0	0	2	8	1	2	

nperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals October 23, 2023 to October 29, 2023 Average Te









## Weather Information: Week Ending October 29, 2023

District	Temper	ature	Precipi	tation	Growing Degree Days <sup>1</sup>		
District and State	Average	Departure from Normal <sup>2</sup>	Total	Departure from Normal <sup>2</sup>	Since April 1	Departure from Normal <sup>2</sup>	
Northwest	43.8	0.8	2.03	1.56	2,331	326	
North Central	44.7	2.6	2.28	1.79	2,092	220	
Northeast	45.9	2.9	2.97	2.45	2,198	263	
West Central	48.5	2.7	2.87	2.41	2,828	335	
Central	50.4	4.7	2.51	2.03	2,685	297	
East Central	51.0	4.8	2.11	1.62	2,532	217	
Southwest	53.0	6.1	0.99	0.47	2,891	291	
South Central	53.4	6.1	0.83	0.32	2,853	237	
Southeast	53.7	5.8	0.67	0.19	2,788	180	
Wisconsin	48.2	3.5	2.07	1.58	2,510	271	

<sup>1</sup> Base 50° F. <sup>2</sup> Normal based on 1991-2020 data.