



Minnesota Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Warmer temps and lighter rains enabled Minnesota farmers to get out in their fields with **4.5 days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending May 7, 2023, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Fieldwork included spreading manure and fertilizer, tillage, and planting. No livestock losses were reported and some cattle were moved to pasture.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 6 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 19 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 3 percent very short, 11 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 14 percent surplus.

Corn planting reached 38 percent complete, 9 days ahead of last year but 1 day behind the 5-year average. Corn emergence reached 2 percent. **Soybean** planting was 13 percent complete, 9 days ahead of last year but 4 days behind the 5-year average.

Planting progress for **barley** reached 9 percent with 2 percent of the crop emerged. **Oats** planted was at 36 percent with 19 percent emerged. **Spring wheat** planting reached 7 percent.

Dry edible beans planting began at 1 percent, **potato** planting was at 16 percent, and **sugarbeets** planting was at 23 percent.

All hay condition was rated 35 percent good to excellent, and **pasture condition** was rated 38 percent good to excellent.

Crop Condition as of May 7, 2023

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Hay, all	9	2	54	29	6
Pasture and range ...	14	10	38	33	5

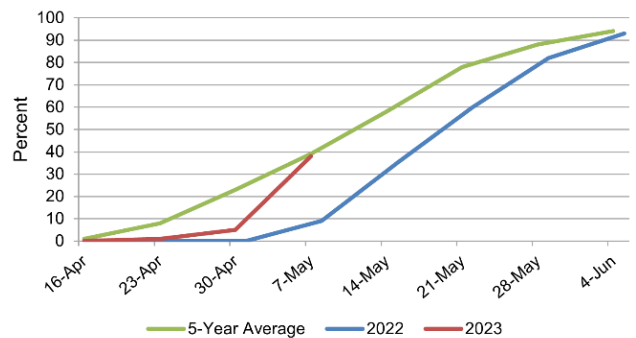
Crop Progress as of May 7, 2023

Item	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley planted	9	1	4	30
Corn planted	38	5	8	39
Oats planted	36	10	21	47
Oats emerged	19	3	2	20
Potatoes planted	16	2	7	37
Soybeans planted	13	1	2	21
Spring wheat planted	7	0	2	34
Sugarbeets planted	23	0	7	45

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of May 7, 2023

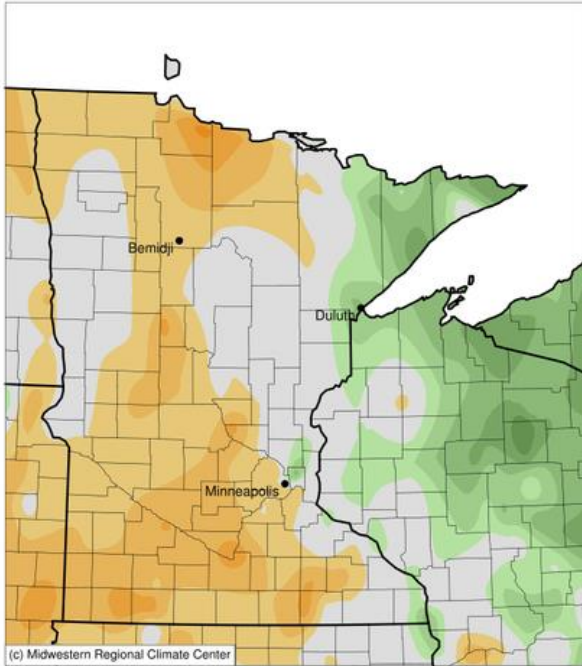
Item	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable	4.5	1.6	2.6
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short	3	3	1
Short	6	6	4
Adequate	72	65	69
Surplus	19	26	26
Subsoil moisture			
Very short	3	3	2
Short	11	13	13
Adequate	72	66	69
Surplus	14	18	16

Corn Planted - Minnesota



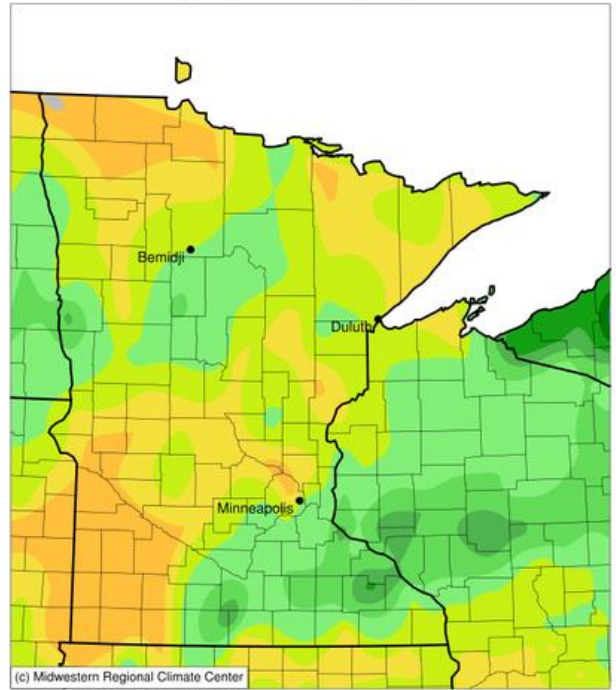
The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
 May 01, 2023 to May 07, 2023



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Accumulated Precipitation (in)
 May 01, 2023 to May 07, 2023



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