



Minnesota Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Most of Minnesota’s farmers received some much-needed rain, resulting in **4.9 days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending August 13, 2023, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Fieldwork included harvest of small grains and chopping corn for silage.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 19 percent very short, 39 percent short, 41 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** supplies were rated 17 percent very short, 42 percent short, 40 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

Corn in the dough stage reached 77 percent, 13 days ahead of last year and 8 days ahead of the 5-year average. The dent stage reached 17 percent. Corn condition rated 44 percent good to excellent. **Corn for silage** harvest began at 1 percent.

Soybeans were 96 percent blooming. Soybeans reached 85 percent setting pods and started turning color at 1 percent. Soybean condition was 47 percent good to excellent.

Barley was 30 percent harvested. Barley condition was to 59 percent good to excellent. **Oats** were 59 percent harvested. **Spring wheat** reached 97 percent coloring and 28 percent was harvested. Spring wheat condition was 48 percent good to excellent.

Dry edible beans reached 98 percent blooming with 88 percent of the crop setting pods and 5 percent dropping leaves. Dry edible beans condition was 46 percent good to excellent. Harvest of the **potato** crop was at 4 percent with condition of the crop rating 84 percent good to excellent. **Sugarbeet** condition was 90 percent good to excellent. **Sunflower** condition was 54 percent good to excellent.

The second cutting of **alfalfa hay** was at 94 percent.

Crop Condition as of August 13, 2023

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley	2	6	33	54	5
Corn	6	15	35	36	8
Dry edible beans	1	5	48	41	5
Pasture and range ...	15	35	34	15	1
Potatoes	0	1	15	58	26
Soybeans	4	11	38	38	9
Spring wheat	1	9	42	48	0
Sugarbeets	0	2	8	28	62
Sunflowers	0	1	45	54	0

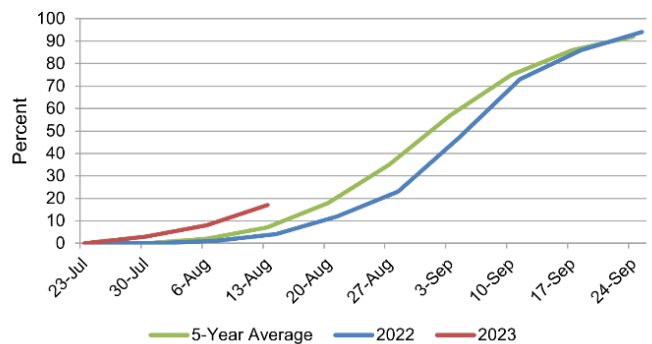
Crop Progress as of August 13, 2023

Item	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley harvested	30	16	12	52
Corn dough	77	56	41	56
Corn dented	17	8	4	7
Dry ed. beans blooming	98	93	99	99
Dry ed. beans setting pods	88	78	88	92
Dry ed. beans drop leaves	5	4	1	4
Hay, alfalfa, second cutting	94	89	91	94
Oats harvested for grain	59	47	45	59
Soybeans blooming	96	93	95	98
Soybeans setting pods	85	71	75	86
Spring wheat coloring	97	91	88	97
Spring wheat harvested	28	13	11	37

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of August 13, 2023

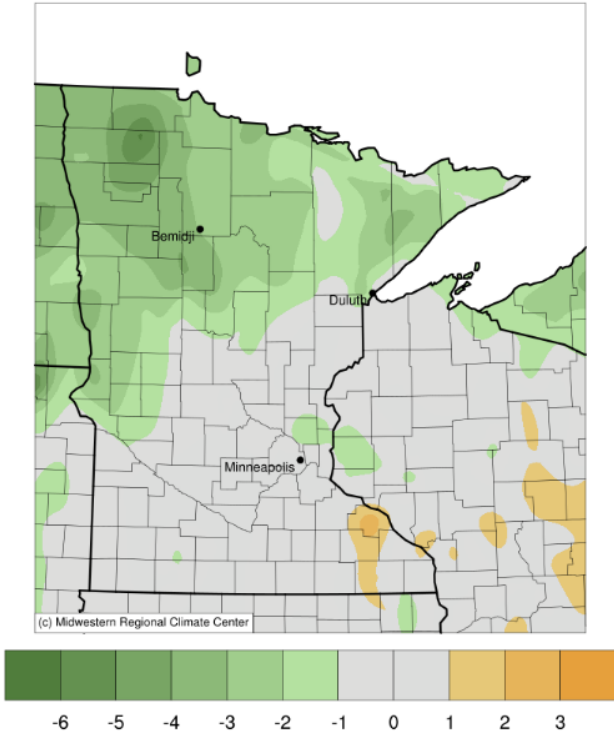
Item	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable	4.9	6.1	5.6
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture			
Very short	19	25	7
Short	39	43	21
Adequate	41	32	67
Surplus	1	0	5
Subsoil moisture			
Very short	17	19	5
Short	42	47	19
Adequate	40	33	73
Surplus	1	1	3

Corn Dent - 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
August 07, 2023 to August 13, 2023



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
August 07, 2023 to August 13, 2023

