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# Indiana Crop Weather

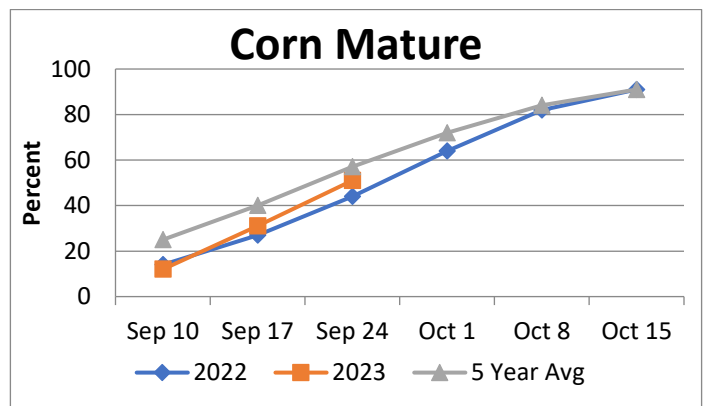
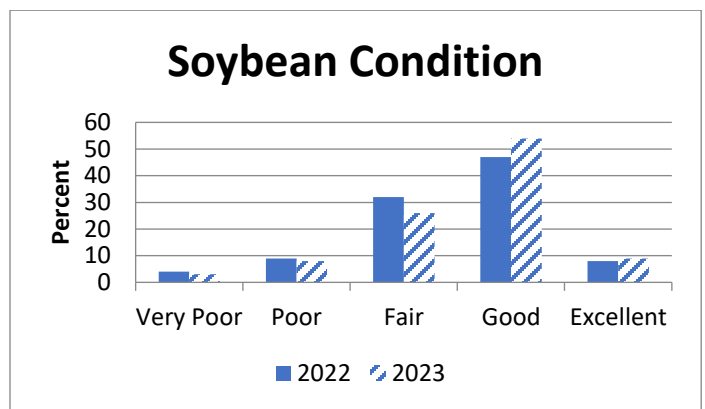
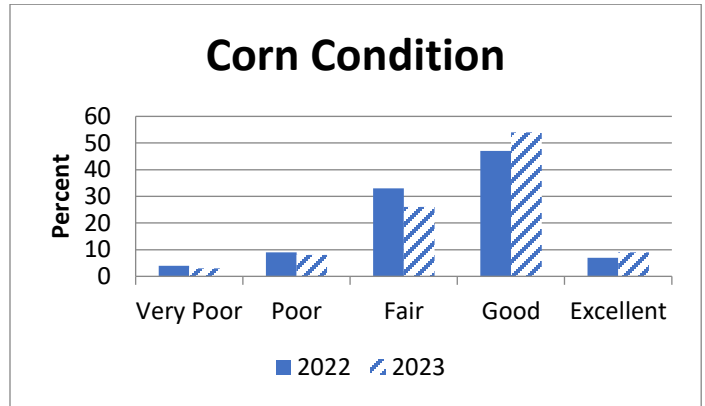
September 25, 2023

## Harvest Season Underway

Another dry week allowed for excellent fieldwork conditions throughout much of Indiana, according to Nathaniel Warenski, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Indiana Field Office. Soil moisture levels decreased from the previous week, with 32 percent of topsoil moisture reported as adequate or surplus.

The average temperature for the week was 65.5 degrees Fahrenheit, 3.3 degrees above normal for the State. The amount of rainfall varied from none to 0.51 inches over the week. The statewide average precipitation was 0.12 inches, 0.58 inches below normal. There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending September 24.

Many Indiana growers were hopeful for rain to reduce the risk of potential fire hazards during harvest, but conditions remained dry. Over half of Indiana corn for grain had reached maturity last week with 63 percent of the crop rated in good to excellent condition. Soybean dropping leaves progress was slightly behind the five-year average. Soybean condition was rated 63 percent good to excellent. Cuttings of alfalfa and other hay were taken when possible. Pasture regrowth had been stalled for many due to a lack of rainfall throughout the State. Pasture conditions declined from the previous week with 31 percent of pastures rated in good to excellent condition. Other activities for the week included cover crop planting, fruit and vegetable harvesting, and irrigation system maintenance.



### Soil Moisture: Week Ending 09/24/23

Item	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>(percent)</i>	<i>(percent)</i>	<i>(percent)</i>	<i>(percent)</i>
Topsoil moisture .....	29	39	31	1
Subsoil moisture .....	26	39	34	1

### Crop Progress: Week Ending 09/24/23

Crop/Activity	Percent Completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Days Suitable for Fieldwork .....	6.8	6.5	NA	NA
Corn Dented.....	93	85	91	91
Corn Mature.....	51	31	44	57
Corn Harvested for Grain .....	7	2	5	10
Corn Harvested for Silage.....	76	55	77	86
Soybeans Dropping Leaves.....	64	40	61	65
Soybeans Harvested.....	7	1	4	9
Winter Wheat Planted.....	6	3	4	7
Alfalfa Hay 4th Cutting .....	62	51	63	62
Other Hay 3rd Cutting .....	87	83	72	84
Other Hay 4th Cutting.....	33	26	17	NA

### Crop Condition: Week Ending 09/24/23

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>(percent)</i>	<i>(percent)</i>	<i>(percent)</i>	<i>(percent)</i>	<i>(percent)</i>
Corn .....	3	8	26	54	9
Soybeans.....	3	8	26	54	9
Range and Pasture....	9	19	41	29	2

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## Weather Summary for Indiana

	Week Ending 2023-09-24						Since April 1				
	Temperature			Precipitation			Precipitation			GDD Base 50	
	High	Low	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN
<b>Northwest</b>											
CHALMERS 5 W	84	47	65	2	0.02	1	15.56	-7.58	49	2972	195
KNOX WWTP	78	46	62	0	0.20	3	19.52	-3.84	55	2634	-181
LAPORTE	80	51	65	3	0.17	1	20.34	-2.85	53	2832	32
<b>North Central</b>											
GOSHEN 3SW	84	46	64	2	0.07	2	13.92	-8.81	58	2836	89
ROCHESTER	82	47	63	1	0.09	2	18.44	-4.89	47	2765	19
<b>Northeast</b>											
ANGOLA	81	44	62	3	0.00	0	15.44	-7.00	50	2383	-80
HUNTINGTON	82	44	63	1	0.00	0	17.78	-4.93	42	2663	-155
<b>West Central</b>											
CRAWFORDSVILLE 6 SE	81	44	63	2	0.00	0	13.50	-10.51	44	2735	1
LAFAYETTE PURDUE UNIVERSITY AP	84	46	66	2	0.00	0	13.69	-7.69	40	3046	-24
PERRYSVILLE 4 WNW	85	48	65	1	0.21	1	13.64	-9.12	48	2914	-196
ROCKVILLE	85	47	66	2	0.00	0	18.19	-8.18	45	3213	-7
SPENCER	85	47	65	2	0.00	0	23.72	-3.11	46	3067	99
<b>Central</b>											
COLUMBUS	84	NA	NA	NA	0.11	1	18.86	-5.08	56	1516	-1718
FRANKFORT DISPOSAL	82	49	65	2	0.22	1	15.83	-7.35	53	2597	-302
GREENFIELD	83	47	65	1	0.31	1	18.73	-7.18	57	2972	-65
INDIANAPOLIS INTL AP	83	53	68	4	0.00	0	15.74	-7.53	52	3363	165
TIPTON 5 SW	88	43	65	3	0.03	1	11.53	-10.94	50	2630	-115
<b>East Central</b>											
FARMLAND 5 NNW	84	47	64	2	0.00	0	16.11	-6.94	43	2440	-368
HARTFORD CITY 4 ESE	82	47	64	1	0.51	1	15.47	-7.09	50	2853	-56
NEW CASTLE 3 SW	83	43	63	1	0.03	1	16.24	-8.12	50	2609	-152
RICHMOND WATER WORKS	81	43	63	1	0.00	0	16.34	-6.10	50	2737	-192
<b>Southwest</b>											
BOONVILLE 1S	85	49	68	1	0.04	1	25.72	1.32	43	3736	59
SHAKAMAK STATE PARK	85	51	68	3	0.01	1	19.69	-5.38	49	3262	65
SHOALS 8 S	80	46	63	-1	0.00	0	18.54	-6.63	47	3436	333
WASHINGTON 1 W	87	49	69	2	0.00	0	15.55	-9.67	27	3661	23
<b>South Central</b>											
BLOOMINGTON INDIANA UNIV	81	52	65	0	0.00	0	22.64	-3.42	49	2990	-223
OOLITIC PURDUE EX FRM	84	46	65	1	0.00	0	24.49	-0.53	47	2930	-172
TELL CITY	84	52	67	-1	0.00	0	24.97	0.19	45	3241	-574
<b>Southeast</b>											
BROOKVILLE	88	45	65	1	0.00	0	21.01	-1.99	48	3095	-59
NORTH VERNON 2 ESE	85	44	66	1	0.00	0	11.19	-13.95	40	3115	-175

*Note:*

Summary based on NOAA Regional Climate Centers (RCCs) data. Climate normals used are for the 1991-2020 period.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit.