



**Michigan Crop Weather** 

October 15, 2024

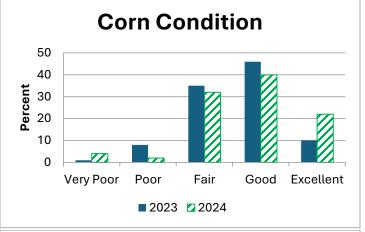
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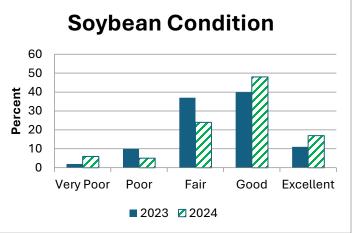
## **Field Crops**

Widespread showers across Southern Michigan late last week were welcomed by producers, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Director, USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. There were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork in Michigan during the week ending October 13, 2024. Corn for grain and soybean harvests continued at a rapid pace. Corn for grain moisture content at harvest averaged 18 percent last week, down 7 percentage points from the 5-year average. Soybean moisture content, at 11 percent, was down 4 points from the 5-year average. Producers have generally been pleased with yields. Dry bean harvest was nearly complete. Twenty-seven percent of sugarbeets have been harvested while growers await cooler weather to begin large scale harvest. Michigan potato harvest began to wind down. Rains late in the week slowed harvest for a few days but were generally welcomed as soils were abnormally dry. Rain showers aided winter wheat emergence; sixty-five percent of the crop had been planted with 31 percent emerged. Hay harvest was winding down for the season. Other activities last week included planting cover crops, spreading manure and fertilizer, hauling hay, chopping alfalfa for haylage, alfalfa seeding, fall tillage, tending to livestock, and farm planning for next year.

## Fruit

The weather last week was sunny and warm during the day and cool at night across the State which was good for fall color development and sugar levels in late season apple varieties. Idared harvest continued in the West Central. Some areas have begun to harvest Aztec Fuji and Evercrisp. Pink Lady harvest was anticipated to begin soon on the Ridge.





Crop Condition: Week Ending 10/13/24

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Corn	4	2	32	40	22		
Soybeans	6	5	24	48	17		
Sugarbeets	0	5	50	40	5		
Range and Pasture	11	19	42	26	2		

Crop Progress: Week Ending 10/13/24

Crop rrogress. Week Enumg 10/15/24									
	Percent Completed								
Crop/Activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year					
	week	week	year	average					
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	6.3	6.3	-	-					
Corn Mature	96	85	68	74					
Corn Harvested for Grain	31	18	16	18					
Corn Harvested for Silage	95	87	87	87					
Soybeans Harvested	66	40	28	35					
Winter Wheat Planted	65	44	39	54					
Winter Wheat Emerged	31	15	23	28					
Dry Edible Beans Harvested	98	94	85	80					
Alfalfa Hay 4th Cutting	75	61	81	NA					
Other Hay 3rd Cutting	95	85	87	82					
Other Hay 4th Cutting	30	23	NA	NA					
Sugarbeets Harvested	27	22	19	31					

Soil Moisture: Week Ending 10/13/24

Item	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Topsoil moisture Subsoil moisture	25 17	26 40	46 41	3 2	

## Weather Summary For Michigan

Weath	Week Ending 2024-10-13						Since April 1					
	Temperature			Precipitatio n		Precipitation			GDD Base 50			
	High	Low	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	
Upper Peninsula												
HANCOCK HOUGHTON COUNTY AP	70	29	48	3	0.56	1	16.95	0.31	60	1947	421	
IRONWOOD	70	28	46	0	0.28	2	19.90	-2.95	85	1828	125	
CHATHAM EXPERIMENT FARM 2	75	23	46	-2	0.00	0	22.81	1.82	71	1754	109	
PICKFORD 3NE	72	27	46	-1	0.16	3	22.54	2.81	72	2047	350	
Northwest LP												
BEULAH 7SSW	71	34	51	0	0.00	0	17.73	-4.84	70	2279	90	
FRANKFORT 2NE	66	41	53	2	0.19	1	15.67	-5.58	52	2376	294	
TRAVERSE CITY CHERRY CAPITAL AP	82	32	53	2	0.21	1	13.12	-6.72	72	2785	658	
Northeast LP												
ALPENA COUNTY REGIONAL AP	81	29	50	2	0.02	2	21.75	3.71	75	2348	496	
GAYLORD 9SSW	77	34	49	1	0.30	3	21.35	-0.01	78	2165	353	
GLENNIE 2SE	79	29	50	2	0.01	1	20.64	-1.42	66	2033	246	
HALE LOUD DAM	79	31	52	3	0.03	1	22.44	2.73	71	2437	449	
West Central LP							•					
MUSKEGON COUNTY AP	74	37	54	2	0.77	2	21.30	1.61	68	3085	588	
Central LP							Į					
CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY	79	34	55	4	0.00	0	11.00	-9.56	49	2638	256	
GLADWIN	79	32	52	3	0.04	1	18.38	-2.59	67	2559	340	
MIDLAND	77	33	52	0	0.75	2	14.94	-5.49	60	2316	-248	
East Central LP							Į					
BAD AXE	78	34	53	2	0.00	0	17.39	-3.56	78	2591	367	
SAGINAW #3	78	37	55	3	0.03	1	18.29	-3.19	80	2917	350	
SAGINAW MBS INTL AP	80	36	54	2	0.40	1	14.40	-5.77	66	3041	563	
VASSAR	77	33	56	6	0.00	0	9.11	-13.34	18	725	-1483	
Southwest LP												
BENTON HARBOR	80	40	58	3	1.07	2	25.61	2.67	71	3235	424	
GRAND RAPIDS GERALD R FORD INTL AP	79	36	54	1	0.88	2	20.86	-3.30	74	3074	337	
HOLLAND TULIP CITY AP	75	37	55	0	0.78	2	21.40	-0.92	74	3011	247	
South Central LP							Į					
COLDWATER ST SCHOOL	78	36	57	5	1.44	1	33.03	8.55	72	2974	427	
HASTINGS	79	34	55	4	0.84	1	24.68	1.12	75	2820	427	
JACKSON REYNOLDS FIELD	79	33	54	2	0.31	1	27.06	6.12	71	2912	350	
LANSING CAPITAL CITY AP	79	34	54	2	0.96	2	21.73	1.19	71	3000	409	
THREE RIVERS	80	37	57	4	1.30	1	30.69	6.10	69	3053	316	
Southeast LP							1					
ADRIAN 2 NNE	81	39	57	5	1.55	2	19.85	-3.21	76	3093	611	
ANN ARBOR U OF MICH	79	32	55	1	0.98	1	27.15	4.80	78	3007	175	
CHELSEA	79	33	58	6	0.86	1	27.39	6.55	68	3061	539	
FARMINGTON	79	37	56	4	1.18	1	28.73	8.13	68	3012	476	
MANCHESTER	80	35	57	5	1.20	1	21.30	-0.44		2426	-98	
PORT HUDON	70	4.4		2	0.60	2	10.03	1.05	5.0	2120	407	

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Note:

PORT HURON

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.