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Michigan Crop Weather

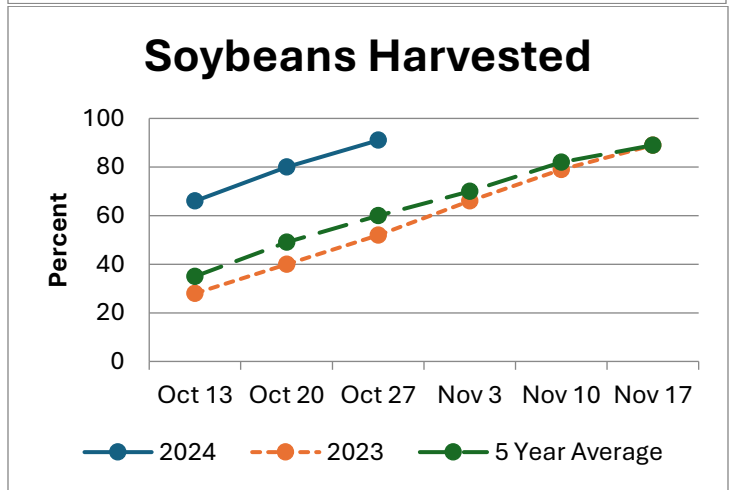
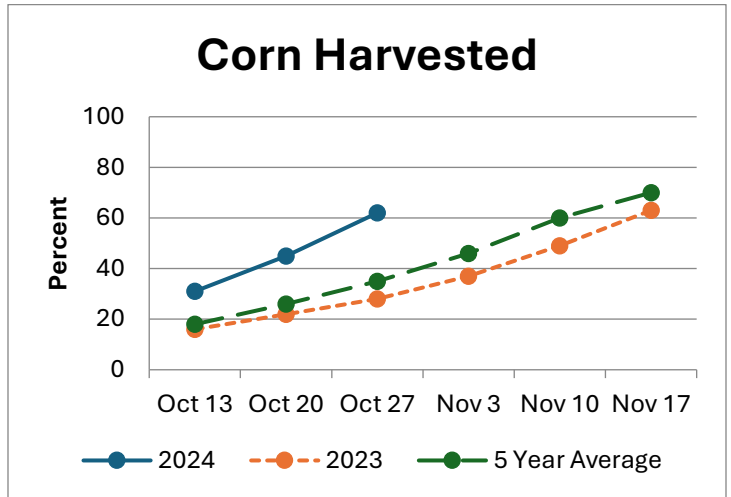
October 28, 2024

Field Crops

Producers took advantage of ideal fieldwork conditions last week as harvest continued at a rapid pace, 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 27, 2024. **Corn** for grain harvest was 62 percent complete, up 17 percentage points from the previous week. **Soybean** harvest reached 91 percent complete, advancing 11 points from the previous week. Corn for grain and soybean moisture content were well below their respective five-year averages. Corn for grain moisture content at harvest was reported at 17 percent, down 6 percentage points from the 5-year average. Soybean moisture content was reported at 11 percent, down 4 points from the 5-year average. Winter wheat planting ended the week at 89 percent complete while **sugarbeets** progressed to 38 percent harvested. **Hay** harvest was effectively winding down for the season, but there were reports of some producers taking a fifth cutting of alfalfa in South Central Michigan. Other activities last week included soil testing, planting cover crops, fall tillage, spreading manure and fertilizer, hauling hay, chopping alfalfa for haylage, alfalfa seeding, tending to livestock, and farm planning for next year.

Fruit

This will be the last fruit report for the year. Farmers were wrapping up apple harvest and preparing for fall weed management to control woody perennials in orchards.



Crop Condition: Week Ending 10/27/24

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn.....	4	4	23	45	24
Winter Wheat	0	5	34	48	13
Sugarbeets	0	5	40	50	5
Range and Pasture	12	29	31	23	5

Crop Progress: Week Ending 10/27/24

Crop/Activity	Percent Completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Days Suitable for Fieldwork..	6.3	6.2	-	-
Corn Harvested for Grain	62	45	28	35
Soybeans Harvested	91	80	52	60
Winter Wheat Planted.....	89	77	65	79
Winter Wheat Emerged	65	49	54	60
Alfalfa Hay 4th Cutting	93	83	94	NA
Other Hay 4th Cutting	47	40	NA	NA
Sugarbeets Harvested	38	31	29	47

Soil Moisture: Week Ending 10/27/24

Item	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture.....	27	35	37	1
Subsoil moisture.....	35	32	32	1

Weather Summary For Michigan

Week Ending 2024-10-27

Since April 1

	Week Ending 2024-10-27						Since April 1					
	Temperature			Precipitation			Precipitation			GDD Base 50		
	High	Low	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	
Upper Peninsula												
HANCOCK HOUGHTON COUNTY AP	77	35	51	11	0.58	4	17.61	-0.32	65	2010	472	
IRONWOOD	79	29	53	13	0.64	3	22.84	-1.68	92	1879	162	
CHATHAM EXPERIMENT FARM 2	78	27	53	11	0.32	3	23.43	0.47	77	1793	133	
PICKFORD 3NE	77	30	53	11	0.11	3	22.70	1.18	76	2098	392	
Northwest LP												
BEULAH 7SSW	76	34	55	9	0.12	4	18.85	-5.29	77	2428	214	
FRANKFORT 2NE	70	38	54	8	0.14	2	16.36	-6.42	56	2417	309	
TRAVERSE CITY CHERRY CAPITAL AP	83	32	54	9	0.10	2	13.33	-7.93	75	2860	709	
Northeast LP												
ALPENA COUNTY REGIONAL AP	84	27	50	7	0.08	2	21.85	2.69	78	2396	528	
GAYLORD 9SSW	80	30	50	8	0.30	2	21.65	-1.25	80	2226	397	
GLENNIE 2SE	84	23	50	8	0.08	2	20.97	-2.33	70	2073	269	
HALE LOUD DAM	81	26	53	10	0.06	1	22.78	1.91	73	2486	481	
West Central LP												
MUSKEGON COUNTY AP	72	29	53	5	0.23	1	21.53	0.48	69	3139	605	
Central LP												
CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY	80	31	58	13	0.00	0	12.30	-9.66	50	2679	274	
GLADWIN	82	27	52	7	0.10	2	19.22	-3.01	70	2597	358	
MIDLAND	77	27	50	3	0.09	2	15.55	-6.08	63	2354	-246	
East Central LP												
BAD AXE	80	28	53	7	0.06	1	18.33	-3.76	82	2645	391	
SAGINAW #3	80	31	52	5	0.09	3	19.61	-3.05	85	2949	351	
SAGINAW MBS INTL AP	81	30	53	6	0.04	2	15.09	-6.17	70	3101	590	
VASSAR	78	41	60	14	0.00	0	9.11	-14.61	18	745	-1495	
Southwest LP												
BENTON HARBOR	80	30	55	4	0.46	1	26.41	1.93	73	3294	425	
GRAND RAPIDS GERALD R FORD INTL AP	77	29	53	4	0.27	1	21.13	-4.45	75	3119	341	
GULL LAKE BIOLOGICAL STATION	76	30	51	1	0.36	2	19.69	-7.09	58	2085	-908	
HOLLAND TULIP CITY AP	74	28	52	2	0.36	1	21.76	-2.31	75	3057	242	
South Central LP												
COLDWATER ST SCHOOL	73	28	51	3	0.17	2	33.38	7.49	75	3002	417	
HASTINGS	79	28	52	5	0.21	2	25.23	0.24	78	2853	426	
JACKSON REYNOLDS FIELD	78	27	51	3	0.08	2	27.16	5.12	74	2950	349	
LANSING CAPITAL CITY AP	79	27	52	5	0.08	2	21.85	0.23	74	3046	417	
THREE RIVERS	78	31	52	4	0.17	1	31.24	5.17	71	3087	306	
Southeast LP												
ANN ARBOR U OF MICH	80	26	52	3	0.08	2	27.54	3.97	81	3046	166	
CHELSEA	79	27	53	6	0.13	2	27.87	5.80	71	3100	544	
FARMINGTON	81	30	53	6	0.04	2	29.18	7.44	71	3048	482	
MANCHESTER	80	32	54	7	0.08	3	21.76	-1.20	65	2461	-91	
PORT HURON	77	55	66	17	0.00	0	22.02	-0.12	58	3170	496	

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.