



# Tennessee Crop Weather

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## PLANTING RAMPS UP

Tennessee experienced mild temperatures and variable rainfall last week. Some counties received decent precipitation over the weekend, continuing to aid in pasture growth and seeded crop emergence. With dry weather for most of the week, however, many producers made good progress on corn and soybean planting as well as starting cotton. Ample rainfall and moderate temperatures have kept pasture and wheat growth strong. Producers will be looking to spray wheat crops for disease as conditions allow, but thus far, stands are looking promising. Some counties to the far northwest entered D0 abnormally dry conditions and could use a bit of precipitation, but soil moisture levels remain adequate for the time being. Statewide, there were 4.6 days suitable for field work last week. Topsoil moisture was 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 13 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was 1 percent very short, 6 percent short, and 77 percent adequate, and 16 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Item	This Week	Last Week	2023	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Apples – Blooming	77	61	76	73	Strawberries	2	4	21	62	11
Corn – Planted	31	13	42	28	Pasture	1	6	28	56	9
Corn – Emerged	5	-	8	7	Winter Wheat	0	3	14	58	25
Cotton – Planted	1	0	2	1						
Soybeans – Planted	17	8	13	5						
Winter Wheat – Jointing	86	71	86	85						
Winter Wheat – Headed	36	11	28	24						

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