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Wisconsin had 5.6 **days suitable for fieldwork** statewide for the week ending July 28, 2024, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Fieldwork included harvesting hay, small grains and some potatoes.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 1 percent very short, 8 percent short, 80 percent adequate and 11 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 0 percent very short, 5 percent short, 78 percent adequate and 17 percent surplus.

Corn silking reached 58 percent, 2 days ahead of last year and one day ahead of the 5-year average. Fifteen percent of the corn crop has reached the dough stage. Corn condition was rated 62 percent good to excellent, up 1 percentage point from last week.

Soybeans blooming was 65 percent, 2 days behind last year and 3 days behind average. Thirty percent of soybeans were setting pods. Soybean condition remained at 60 percent good to excellent

Eighty-six percent of **oats** had colored. Twenty-seven percent of the oat for grain crop had been harvested, 4 days ahead of last year and 5 days ahead of average. Oat condition was 79 percent good to excellent, 1 percentage point above last week.

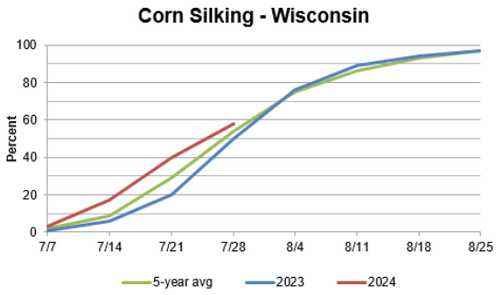
Winter wheat harvested for grain was 68 percent complete, 1 week ahead of last year and the average. Winter wheat condition was rated 78 percent good to excellent, 3 percentage points below last week.

The second cutting of **alfalfa hay** was 88 percent complete. The third cutting was 29 percent complete, 1 day behind last year but 2 days ahead of average. **All hay** condition increased to 78 percent good to excellent, up 3 percentage points from last week.

Potato harvest was 11 percent complete. Potato condition increased to 90 percent good to excellent, up 1 percentage point from last week. **Pasture and range** condition remained at 70 percent good to excellent.

Crop Condition as of July 28, 2024

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	2	7	29	43	19
Hay, all	0	2	20	52	26
Oats	0	3	18	64	15
Pasture and range	1	6	23	51	19
Potatoes	1	1	8	84	6
Soybeans	1	7	32	44	16



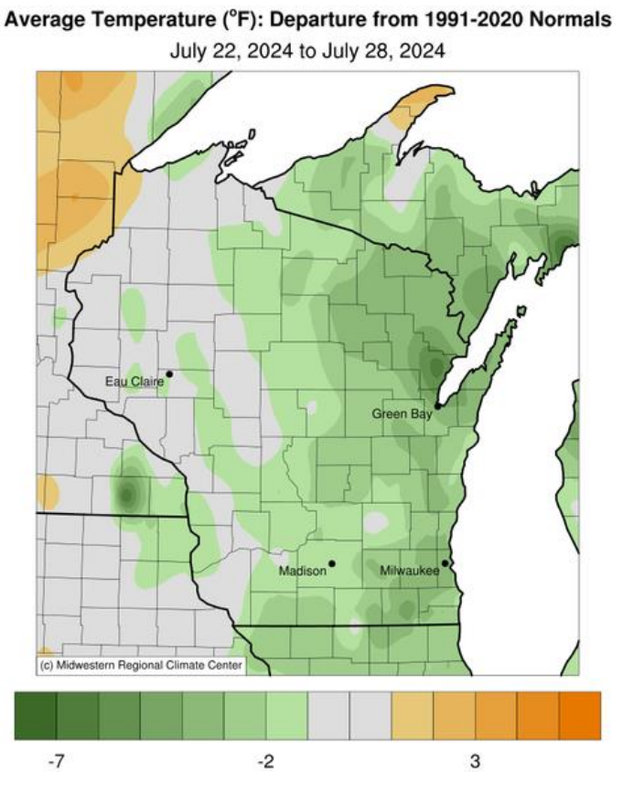
Crop Progress as of July 28, 2024

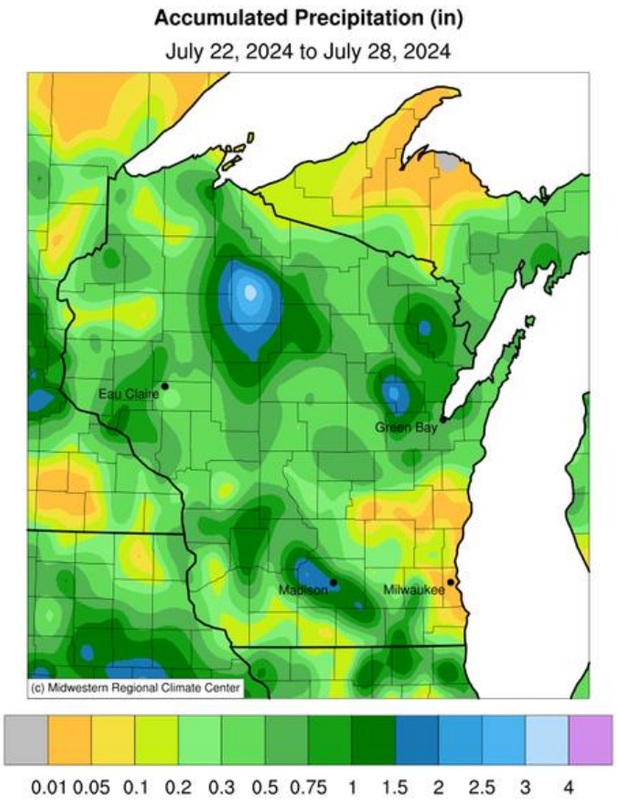
Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn silking	21	12	15	64	51	37	78	90	74	58	40	50	54
Corn dough	0	0	3	17	8	5	29	30	5	15	4	4	6
Hay, alfalfa, 2nd cutting	90	84	96	86	76	95	84	95	100	88	78	94	89
Hay, alfalfa, 3rd cutting	24	17	43	14	17	39	32	57	21	29	11	31	24
Oats coloring	68	69	66	95	87	90	96	91	93	86	74	84	79
Oats harvested for grain	3	1	7	31	28	20	63	55	34	27	12	16	14
Soybeans blooming	40	64	77	46	57	57	88	82	62	65	47	69	71
Soybeans setting pods	25	21	19	20	24	20	63	32	25	30	14	22	35
Wheat, winter, harvested	23	16	36	26	49	67	77	89	74	68	31	42	41

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of July 28, 2024

Item	Districts									State		
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable	6.4	5.3	5.8	6.3	6.4	5.2	5.6	4.9	5.3	5.6	5.4	4.9
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture												
Very short	6	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	8
Short	15	0	18	12	17	6	1	3	5	8	3	36
Adequate	74	90	69	80	79	79	91	71	85	80	79	55
Surplus	5	10	12	4	4	15	8	26	10	11	18	1
Subsoil moisture												
Very short	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
Short	12	0	11	13	9	2	1	0	5	5	1	31
Adequate	78	82	69	79	77	73	91	69	86	78	72	51
Surplus	8	18	20	8	14	25	8	31	9	17	27	0





Growing Degree Days and Temperature and Precipitation Maps, courtesy of the Midwestern Regional Climate Center, are available at: https:/mrcc.purdue.edu/CLIMATE/