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Wisconsin had 6.0 **days suitable for fieldwork** statewide for the week ending September 8, 2024, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Farmers took advantage of the cool and mostly dry weather for fieldwork including finishing up the small grain harvest, digging potatoes, cutting hay and planting fall seeded crops.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 2 percent very short, 18 percent short, 75 percent adequate and 5 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 0 percent very short, 13 percent short, 79 percent adequate and 8 percent surplus.

Corn in the dough stage reached 90 percent. Fifty-eight percent of corn has reached the dent stage, 1 day behind last year but 1 day ahead of the 5-year average. Five percent of the corn crop was mature. Corn for silage harvest was 9 percent complete, 2 days behind last year and 3 days behind average. Corn condition was 64 percent good to excellent, down 1 percentage point from last week.

Soybeans were nearly finished setting pods, while coloring reached 45 percent, 2 days ahead of last year and the average. Ten percent of soybeans are dropping leaves. Soybean condition was rated 62 percent good to excellent, up 1 percentage point from last week.

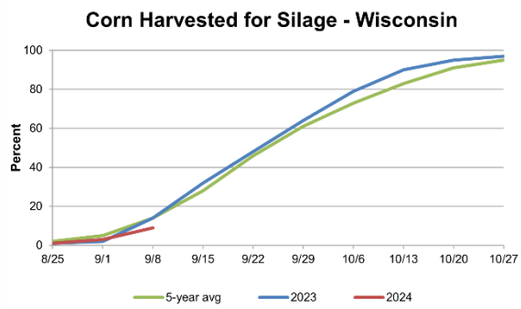
Oats were 98 percent harvested. **Winter wheat** planting was 11 percent complete with scattered emergence observed.

The third cutting of **alfalfa hay** was 96 percent complete and fourth cutting was 44 percent complete. **All hay** condition was rated 77 percent good to excellent, down 1 percentage point from last week.

Potato harvest was 42 percent complete. Potato condition was 88 percent good to excellent, down 2 percentage points from last week. **Pasture and range** condition was rated 57 percent good to excellent, down 4 percentage points from last week

Crop Condition as of September 8, 2024

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	2	8	26	46	18
Hay, all	0	3	20	57	20
Pasture and range	2	7	34	43	14
Potatoes	1	3	8	84	4
Soybeans	2	6	30	47	15



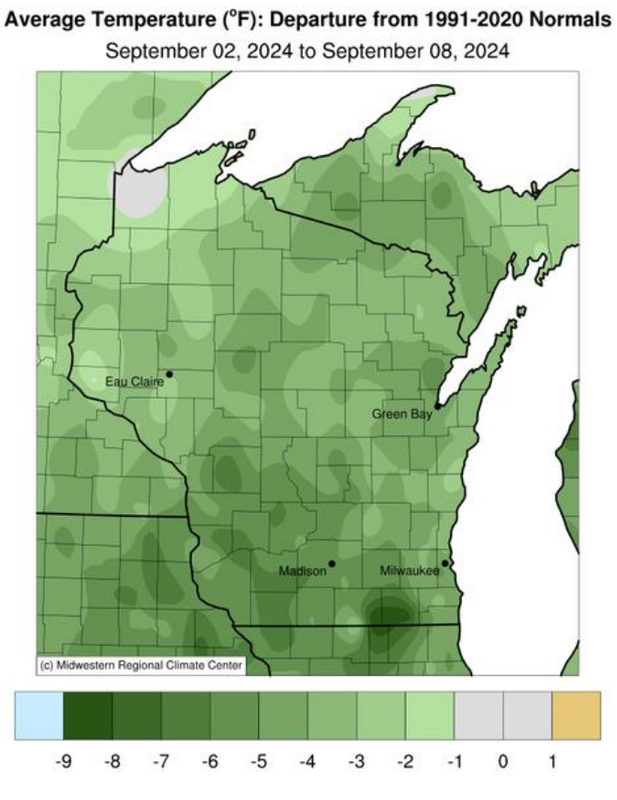
Crop Progress as of September 8, 2024

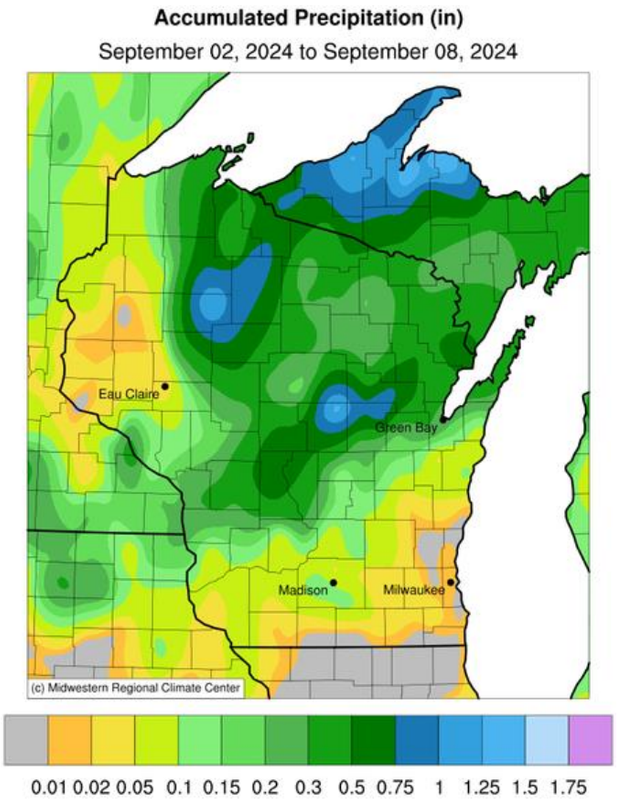
Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dough	84	81	94	85	88	89	98	92	96	90	82	90	88
Corn dented	26	19	49	61	57	53	89	56	87	58	43	59	57
Corn mature	0	0	2	3	6	0	18	3	5	5	3	12	9
Corn harvested for silage	2	1	2	7	4	5	30	21	6	9	3	14	14
Hay, alfalfa, 3rd cutting	95	91	97	97	92	99	97	98	99	96	93	97	94
Hay, alfalfa, 4th cutting	33	23	32	53	32	48	54	51	41	44	30	65	53
Oats harvested for grain	97	96	99	99	97	96	100	100	98	98	92	94	91
Soybeans coloring	21	18	22	38	31	42	73	53	63	45	18	37	38
Soybeans dropping leaves	0	0	5	13	3	1	29	13	10	10	4	7	8
Wheat, winter, planted	17	6	17	19	4	18	3	6	2	11	5	15	14

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 September 8, 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	6.3	5.4	5.8	5.6	6.2	6.1	5.9	6.2	6.9	6.0	4.8	6.6
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture												
Very short	2	0	0	1	0	0	10	4	0	2	2	24
Short	15	0	13	24	18	6	26	21	49	18	14	40
Adequate	80	93	81	74	81	87	63	64	51	75	72	36
Surplus	3	7	6	1	1	7	1	11	0	5	12	0
Subsoil moisture												
Very short	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	26
Short	4	0	7	9	14	14	19	19	32	13	11	38
Adequate	80	83	85	88	76	82	79	66	68	79	79	36
Surplus	16	17	8	3	10	4	2	13	0	8	10	0





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