



Wisconsin Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Wisconsin averaged 6.5 **days suitable for fieldwork** statewide for the week ending May 11, 2025, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Producers took advantage of the drier weather to make excellent progress planting crops. Warm temperatures allowed for good growth in pastures and hay fields.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 3 percent very short, 17 percent short, 70 percent adequate and 10 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 4 percent very short, 16 percent short, 70 percent adequate and 10 percent surplus.

Corn planted reached 44 percent complete, 2 days ahead of last year and 1 day ahead of the 5-year average. Corn emergence was 5 percent complete.

Soybeans were 40 percent planted, 2 days ahead of last year and 3 days ahead of average. Soybeans were 5 percent emerged.

Oat planting was 62 percent complete, 2 days behind last year and 1 day behind average. Oats were 23 percent emerged.

Potato planting reached 75 percent complete, 3 days ahead of the average.

Spring tillage was 71 percent complete, 1 day ahead of last year and 2 days ahead of the average.

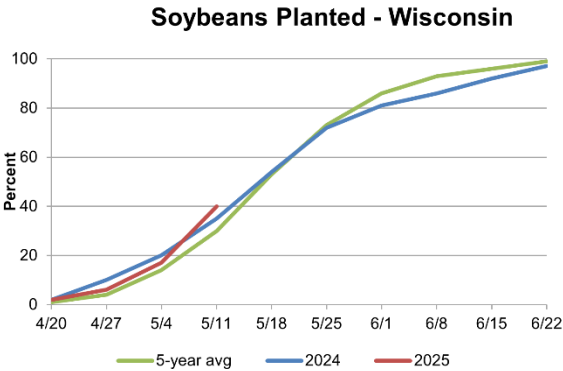
All hay condition was 75 percent good to excellent, 7 percentage points above last week.

Winter wheat condition was rated 65 percent good to excellent, up 2 percentage points from last week.

Pasture and range condition was rated 62 percent good to excellent, up 15 percentage point from last week.

Crop Condition as of May 11, 2025

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Hay, all	1	4	20	61	14
Pasture and range ..	1	6	31	52	10
Wheat, winter	1	8	26	54	11



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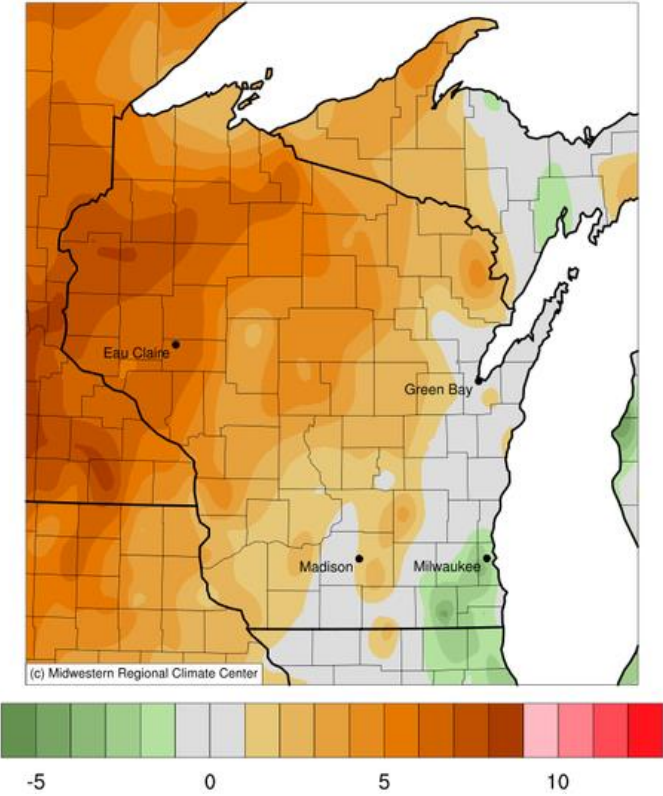
Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn planted	48	20	30	43	18	30	57	65	54	44	16	37	40
Corn emerged	1	0	0	3	2	0	8	13	15	5	0	7	5
Oats planted	52	21	73	66	31	56	91	90	72	62	36	66	63
Oats emerged	11	0	10	33	3	14	46	47	33	23	10	36	32
Soybeans planted	33	9	28	36	24	30	48	60	52	40	17	35	30
Soybeans emerged	2	0	0	1	0	0	13	9	12	5	1	5	3
Spring tillage	60	39	52	71	59	69	87	90	84	71	42	69	66

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

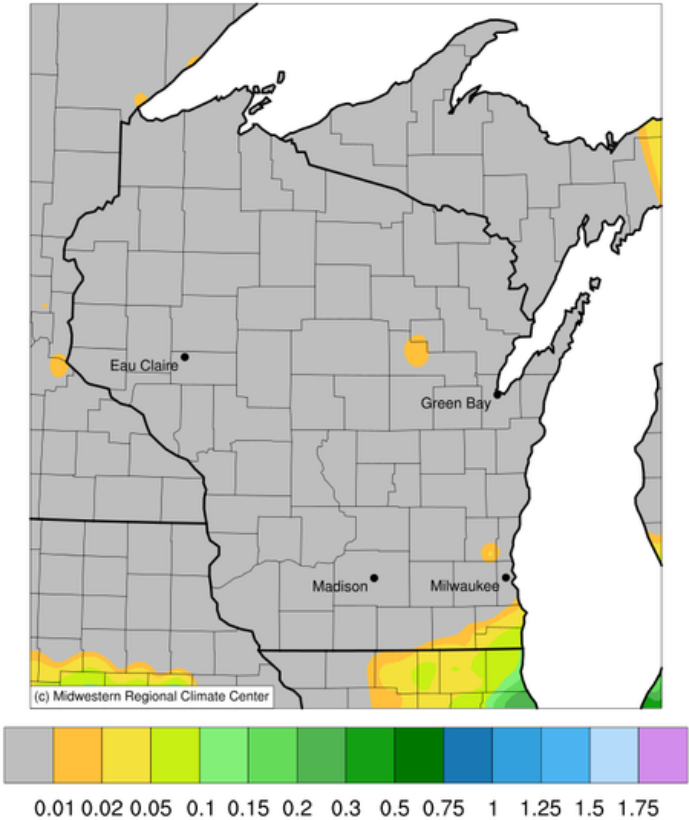
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of May 11, 2025

Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	
Days suitable	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	
	6.6	6.9	6.3	6.8	6.2	6.2	6.8	6.2	5.8	6.5	3.2	3.6	
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
	Very short	2	0	3	5	0	6	2	4	8	3	0	1
Short	24	5	14	13	4	17	29	21	22	17	7	8	
Adequate	66	57	62	81	80	69	62	71	61	70	66	71	
Surplus	8	38	21	1	16	8	7	4	9	10	27	20	
Subsoil moisture	Very short	1	1	3	2	0	0	6	10	8	4	1	1
	Short	12	4	7	10	5	16	26	24	26	16	11	11
Adequate	81	67	56	86	75	73	66	62	64	70	66	74	
Surplus	6	28	34	2	20	11	2	4	2	10	22	14	

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
May 05, 2025 to May 11, 2025



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 05, 2025 to May 11, 2025



Temperature and Precipitation Maps, courtesy of the Midwest Regional Climate Center, are available at: <https://mrcc.purdue.edu/CLIMATE/>

Additional soil moisture data are available at: <https://nassgeo.csiss.gmu.edu/CropCASMA/>