

## Wisconsin Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition



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Wisconsin had 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork statewide for the week ending July 27, 2025, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Insect pressure was reported on some corn fields. It continues to be difficult to make dry hay.

**Topsoil moisture** condition rated 1 percent very short, 9 percent short, 76 percent adequate and 14 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 1 percent very short, 11 percent short, 80 percent adequate and 8 percent surplus.

**Corn** silking was 56 percent complete, nearly even with both last year and the 5-year average. Ten percent of the corn fields were at or beyond the dough stage. Corn condition was rated 82 percent good to excellent, 3 percentage points better than last week. **Soybeans** were 76 percent blooming, and 36 percent setting pods, 4 days ahead of last year but even with the average. Soybean condition was 84 percent good to excellent, 9 percentage points above last week.

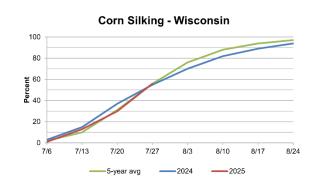
Winter wheat was 37 percent harvested, 5 days behind last year and 3 days behind the average. Condition was rated 76 percent good to excellent, 4 percentage points above last week. Oats were 96 percent headed, and 82 percent coloring. Twenty-three percent of oats were harvested 1 point behind last year, but 3 days ahead of the average. Oat condition was rated 86 percent good to excellent, up 3 percentage points from last week.

**Potatoes** were 7 percent harvested. Potato condition was 95 percent good to excellent, up 5 percentage points from last week.

The second cutting of **alfalfa hay** was 90 percent complete. The third cutting was 34 percent complete, 3 days ahead of both last year and average. Some farmers have begun the fourth cutting, with 1 percent complete. **Hay** condition was rated 85 percent good to excellent, up 3 percentage points from last week. **Pasture and range** condition was rated 79 percent good to excellent, up 5 percentage points from last week.

Crop Condition as of July 27, 2025

| Item              | Very<br>Poor | Poor      | Fair      | Good      | Excellen<br>t |  |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|--|
|                   | (percent)    | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent)     |  |
| Corn              | 1            | 3         | 14        | 59        | 23            |  |
| Hay, all          | 0            | 1         | 14        | 66        | 19            |  |
| Oats              | 0            | 4         | 10        | 65        | 21            |  |
| Pasture and range | 1            | 4         | 16        | 60        | 19            |  |
| Potatoes          | 0            | 1         | 4         | 82        | 13            |  |
| Soybeans          | 1            | 3         | 12        | 61        | 23            |  |
| Wheat, winter     | 1            | 6         | 17        | 58        | 18            |  |



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|                           | Districts |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           | State     |              |              |               |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Item                      | NW        | NC        | NE        | WC        | С         | EC        | sw        | sc        | SE        | This week | Last<br>week | Last<br>year | 5-year<br>avg |
|                           | (percent)    | (percent)    | (percent)     |
| Corn silking              | 34        | 6         | 12        | 68        | 34        | 55        | 74        | 71        | 82        | 56        | 30           | 55           | 56            |
| Corn dough                |           | 0         | 0         | 2         | 11        | 1         | 15        | 24        | 18        | 10        | 2            | 13           | 8             |
| Hay, alfalfa, 2nd cutting |           | 52        | 94        | 94        | 86        | 98        | 93        | 93        | 98        | 90        | 81           | 87           | 90            |
| Hay, alfalfa, 3rd cutting | 20        | 13        | 33        | 29        | 34        | 47        | 34        | 50        | 45        | 34        | 13           | 26           | 26            |
| Oats headed               |           | 82        | 100       | 94        | 97        | 98        | 100       | 100       | 99        | 96        | 94           | 99           | 98            |
| Oats coloring             | 66        | 47        | 88        | 79        | 81        | 88        | 93        | 98        | 98        | 82        | 67           | 84           | 84            |
| Oats harvested for grain  | 11        | 6         | 0         | 49        | 18        | 2         | 45        | 52        | 24        | 23        | 7            | 25           | 17            |
| Soybeans blooming         | 96        | 40        | 69        | 85        | 60        | 68        | 81        | 87        | 59        | 76        | 59           | 62           | 72            |
| Soybeans setting pods     | 73        | 11        | 21        | 54        | 9         | 14        | 54        | 36        | 16        | 36        | 17           | 28           | 37            |
| Wheat, winter, harvested  | 31        | 2         | 6         | 18        | 18        | 15        | 70        | 77        | 54        | 37        | 14           | 63           | 49            |

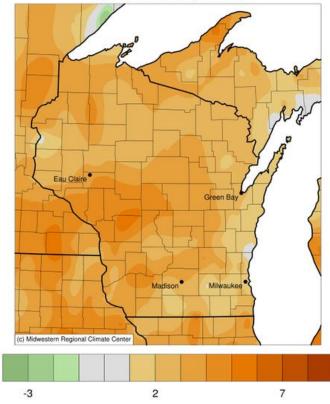
The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

## Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of July 27, 2025

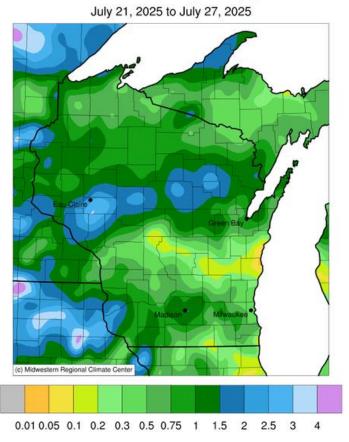
|                  |           |           | State     |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |              |              |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| Item             | NW        | NC        | NE        | WC        | С         | EC        | SW        | SC        | SE        | This week | Last<br>week | Last<br>year |
|                  | (days)       | (days)       |
| Days suitable    | 5.4       | 2.7       | 5.4       | 4.7       | 6.2       | 4.9       | 4.9       | 4.4       | 5.3       | 4.8       | 4.9          | 5.6          |
|                  | (percent)    | (percent)    |
| Topsoil moisture |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |              |              |
| Very short       | 0         | 0         | 0         | 1         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 7         | 1         | 0            | 1            |
| Short            | 0         | 6         | 4         | 7         | 7         | 15        | 4         | 12        | 20        | 9         | 9            | 8            |
| Adequate         | 90        | 54        | 68        | 90        | 86        | 64        | 79        | 83        | 67        | 76        | 75           | 80           |
| Surplus          | 10        | 40        | 28        | 2         | 7         | 21        | 17        | 5         | 6         | 14        | 16           | 11           |
| Subsoil moisture |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |              |              |
| Very short       | 0         | 0         | 0         | 1         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 1         | 10        | 1         | 1            | 0            |
| Short            | 2         | 2         | 1         | 8         | 5         | 15        | 11        | 19        | 28        | 11        | 11           | 5            |
| Adequate         | 94        | 96        | 64        | 89        | 83        | 67        | 81        | 78        | 61        | 80        | 74           | 78           |
| Surplus          | 4         | 2         | 35        | 2         | 12        | 18        | 8         | 2         | 1         | 8         | 14           | 17           |

## Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

July 21, 2025 to July 27, 2025



## **Accumulated Precipitation (in)**



 $Temperature \ and \ Precipitation \ Maps, \ courtesy \ of the \ Midwestern \ Regional \ Climate \ Center, \ are \ available \ at: \ \underline{https://mrcc.purdue.edu/CLIMATE/}$ 

 $Additional\ soil\ moisture\ data\ are\ available\ at:\ \underline{https://nassgeo.csiss.gmu.edu/CropCASMA/}$