



Wisconsin Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Wisconsin had 3.3 **days suitable for fieldwork** statewide for the week ending April 26, 2026, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Parts of western Wisconsin received heavy rains later in the week, but above average temperatures helped dry fields. This permitted fertilizing, spreading of manure, spring tillage and limited planting where conditions allowed. Planting included small grains, potatoes, corn and soybeans.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 48 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 32 percent surplus.

Corn planting was 3 percent complete. **Oat** planting was 14 percent complete compared to the 5-year average of 27 percent. Three percent of oats had emerged. **Soybean** planting was 3 percent complete. **Spring tillage** was 17 percent complete compared to the average of 28 percent.

Pasture and range condition was 45 percent good to excellent, up 7 percentage points from last week.

Winter wheat condition was 53 percent good to excellent, up 4 percentage points from last week.

Crop Progress and Condition charts can be found at

https://www.nass.usda.gov/Charts_and_Maps/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2026/WI_2026.pdf

Crop Condition as of April 26, 2026

Item	Very Poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Pasture and range	5	15	35	36	9
Wheat, winter	1	6	40	45	8

Crop Progress as of April 26, 2026

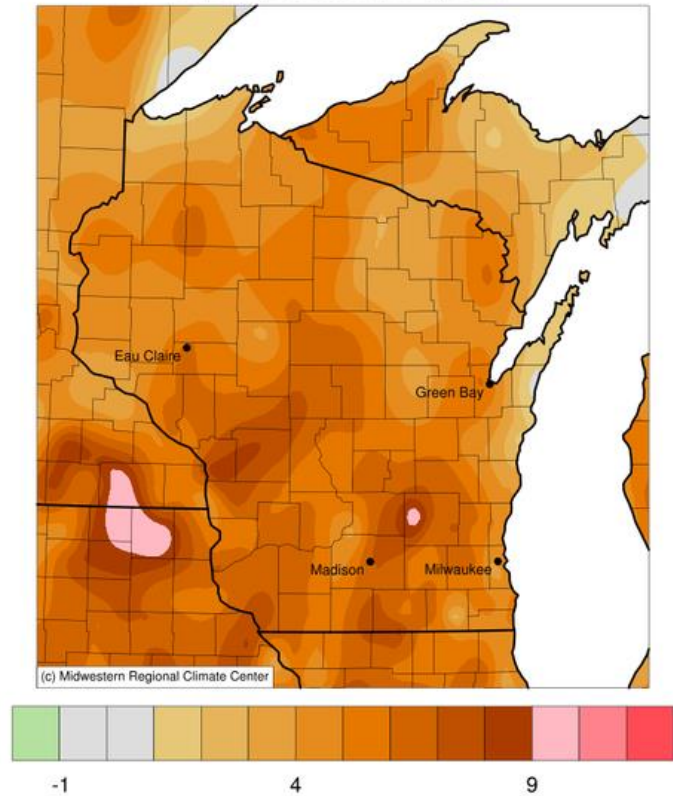
Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Oats planted	9	1	3	19	14	6	26	31	12	14	5	25	27
Spring tillage	13	1	5	21	20	7	27	26	18	17	9	24	28

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

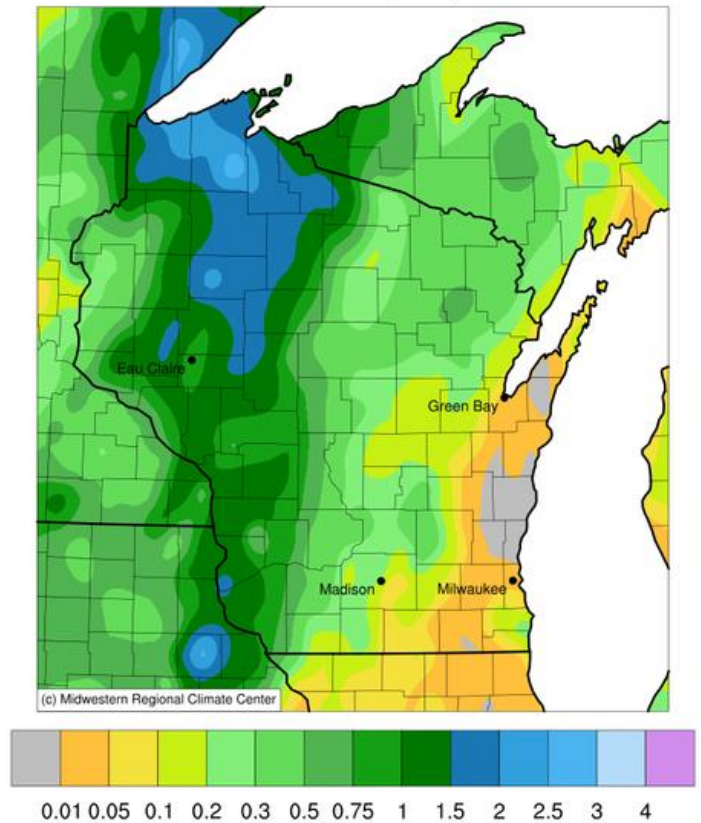
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of April 26, 2026

Item	Districts									State		
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
Days suitable	(days) 3.0	(days) 1.6	(days) 2.8	(days) 3.2	(days) 3.1	(days) 4.2	(days) 3.5	(days) 3.5	(days) 3.4	(days) 3.3	(days) 1.1	(days) 3.3
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Short	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	3	0	1	1	10
Adequate	57	44	33	72	43	25	68	54	33	51	47	65
Surplus	41	56	67	27	57	74	32	43	67	48	52	24
Subsoil moisture												
Very short	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Short	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	4	2	1	1	14
Adequate	76	46	43	77	51	65	82	73	48	67	64	66
Surplus	20	54	57	21	49	35	18	23	50	32	35	17

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
April 20, 2026 to April 26, 2026



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
April 20, 2026 to April 26, 2026



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

Additional soil moisture data are available at: <https://cloud.csiss.gmu.edu/Crop-CASMA/>