



Tennessee Crop Weather

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PRODUCERS PREPARE FOR FIELD CROP PLANTING

In West Tennessee, producers were preparing equipment in preparation for corn and soybean planting. Both winter wheat and hay were in good condition. Cool and wet conditions in Middle Tennessee delayed planting. In East Tennessee, wet conditions caused delays in corn planting, weed control application, and fertilizer applications.

East Tennessee, Grainger County Tomato Conditions:

There was a significant windstorm that occurred on April 1, 2023. Winds of over 60 miles an hour ripped through East Tennessee the entire day. Grainger County is known for tomato production. There are about 475 greenhouses most of which are devoted to tomatoes. A significant amount of damage happened to these greenhouses on that day. Please contact Anthony Carver, Grainger County Extension, for more details.

There were 3.4 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 1 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 30 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was 1 percent very short, 1 percent short, 70 percent adequate, and 28 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS	This Week	Last Week	2022	5 Year Avg.	CONDITION					
					Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Corn – Planted	5	1	3	6	Pasture	2	9	36	46	7
Soybeans - Planted	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	Winter Wheat	2	10	30	46	12
Apples – Full Bloom	52	26	N/A	N/A	Strawberries	2	6	22	65	5
Winter Wheat – Jointing	67	42	54	60						
Winter Wheat - Headed	1	0	1	2						