



Tennessee Crop Weather

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HARVEST CONTINUES

Tennessee continued to experience dry weather and moderate temperatures last week, allowing field work to steadily continue. Statewide, remaining crops could use a bit of rain to push towards completion. Some regions of the state including the south-central counties are starting to enter the abnormally dry category on the state drought monitor watch. Nonetheless, as harvest continues, corn yields are looking strong with soybean yields coming in decently as well. Pasture reseeding continues and new forage growth is looking good. Producers have started defoliating cotton aiming towards harvest very soon. As some producers wrap up harvests, winter wheat crops are going in the ground. Overall, crop conditions remain strong as we officially head into the fall season. Statewide, there were 6.5 days suitable for field work last week. Topsoil moisture was 6 percent very short, 32 percent short, and 62 percent adequate. Subsoil moisture was 5 percent very short, 27 percent short, and 68 percent adequate.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Item	This Week	Last Week	2022	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Corn - Dented	98	97	100	99	Cotton	5	6	14	62	13
Corn – Mature	91	80	87	89	Corn	1	6	18	55	20
Corn – Harvested	46	26	40	47	Soybeans	3	4	19	59	15
Cotton – Bolls Opening	65	42	55	63	Tobacco	4	8	18	47	23
Cotton – Harvested	3	2	2	4	Pasture	2	8	31	53	6
Soybeans – Dropping Leaves	62	46	53	53	Cattle	0	2	18	65	15
Soybeans – Harvested	17	11	12	13	Hay	1	5	24	59	11
Tobacco – Cut	75	64	80	84						
Winter Wheat – Planted	4	1	9	8						
Winter Wheat – Emerged	0	-	3	2						

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