

Crop Progress

As reported by NASS on May 19, 2014

PLANTING OF COTTON AND SOYBEANS IN FULL SWING

Heavy rainfall at mid-week hampered field work. Corn producers were winding down their planting, while cotton and soybean planting continued early in the week. Wheat and pastures continue to flourish from adequate moisture. Pastures are in mostly fair to good condition. Topsoil moisture levels were rated 6 percent short, 72 percent adequate and 22 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture levels were rated 6 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. There were 3.5 days suitable for field work last week.

Percent Planted					
		May 18, 2014	May 11, 2014	May 18, 2013	5 Year Average
Corn	TN	93%	87%	77%	85%
	US	73%	59%	65%	76%
Soybeans	TN	23%	13%	8%	21%
	US	33%	20%	21%	38%
Cotton	TN	48%	26%	12%	33%
	US	46%	30%	37%	48%

Crop Condition % May 18, 2014						
		Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	TN	0%	2%	17%	60%	8%
	US	22%	22%	27%	24%	5%
Pasture	TN	0%	6%	26%	60%	8%
	US	8%	14%	34%	38%	6%

Crop Progress					
		May 18, 2014	May 11, 2014	May 18, 2013	5 Year Average
Winter Wheat- Headed	TN	90%	68%	93%	96%
	US	57%	44%	41%	58%
Corn Emerged	TN	76%	53%	54%	72%
	US	34%	18%	17%	42%
Soybeans Emerged	TN	10%	na	3%	9%
	US	9%	na	3%	11%

County Agent Comments

The farmers in Fayette County are waiting for the fields to dry out enough to spray and resume planting. The crops look good for the most part. Some soybeans that were planted at the end of April will be replanted. **Jeff Via, Fayette County**

Producers' great planting process came to a complete stop county wide due to the mid week rains. **Walter Battle, Haywood County**

This week has been a very wet week. Not much has been done in the fields as far as planting. Cattle and pasture still look good. **Jake Mallard, Madison County**

Repeated rain events have stopped all fieldwork. Some planting of corn and soybeans took place early in the week. Producers are looking for sunshine and warmer temperatures to get planting back on track. **Jeff Lannom, Weakley County**

Tobacco growers made good progress setting last week. Fungicide applications were made on wheat as scheduled. The spring hay crop looks like it may be short this year. Strawberry harvest has begun and crops that were frost-protected look good. **Paul Hart, Robertson County**

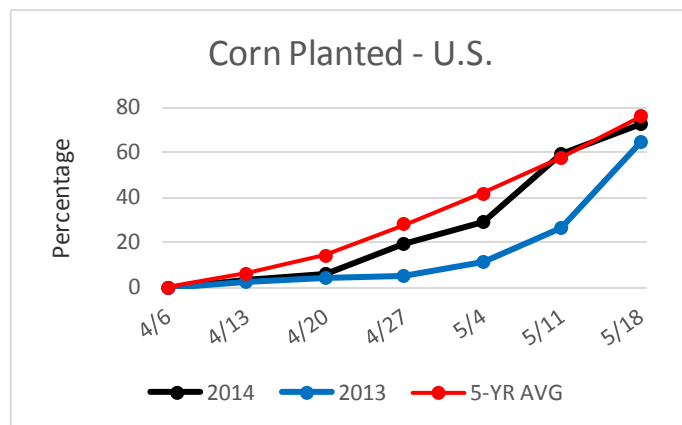
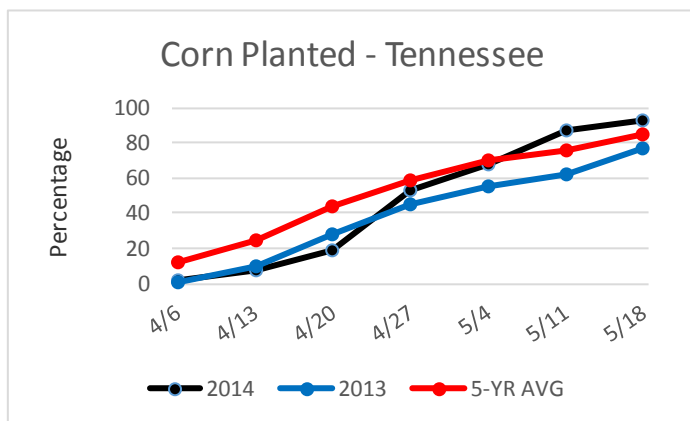
Cooler temperatures and adequate rainfall have greatly improved pasture conditions. **David Cook, Davidson County**

Producers have not been in the field much this week. It rained about an inch which was needed. We have hay that is ready to be cut, but we haven't had the weather to do it. Our hay looks short due to the cool spring. **Larry Moorehead, Moore County**

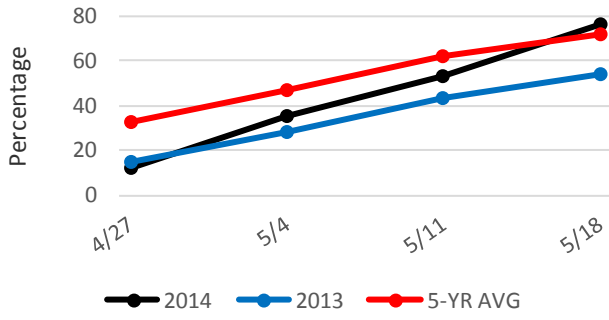
Heavy rain mid week stopped most field work. Corn planting has been mostly completed and producers are getting a good start on other crops. A few early cuttings of fescue and orchard grass that have been made so far have yielded less than normal. Strawberries are looking good and demand for them has been strong. **Mitchell Mote, Rutherford County**

It was a good week for planting crops and harvesting hay before the rains came. Pasture growth is slightly improved but more rain is needed. **John Wilson, Blount County**

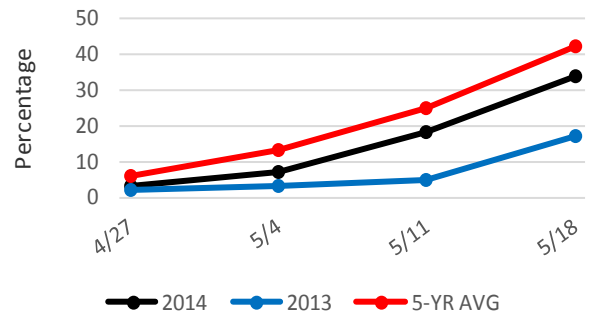
We got about 2 inches of rain this week. We are still about 3 inches short of average and more rain is needed. No hay has been harvested this week due to spotty showers. **John Goddard, Loudon County**



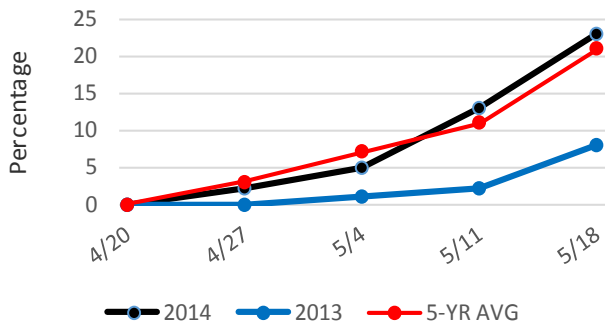
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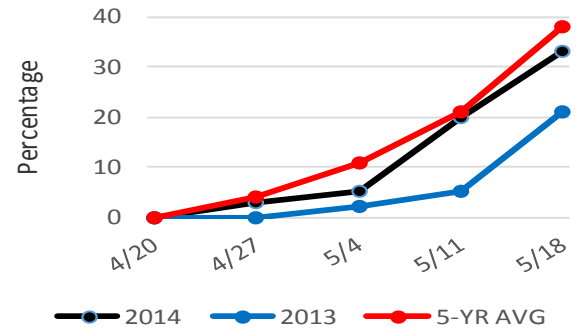
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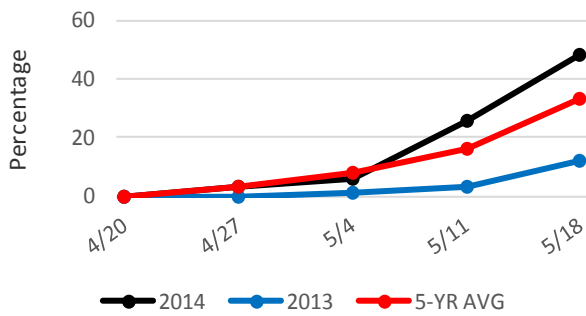
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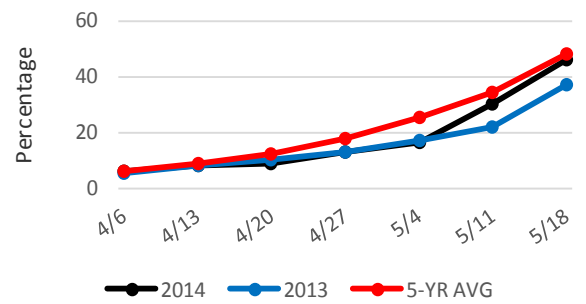
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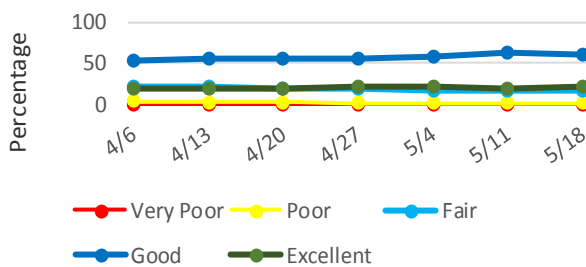
Cotton Planted - Tennessee



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2014 Wheat Crop Condition - Tennessee



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