



Tennessee Crop Weather

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For the Week Ending September 16, 2018

CORN HARVEST CONTINUES AT RAPID PACE

Spotty showers did little to slow field work. Corn harvest continued to proceed rapidly with many producers reporting better than average yields. Cotton harvest began on a limited scale, while soybean harvest picked up somewhat. Hay producers were busy with their final cutting for the season. Pasture conditions improved slightly as temperatures dropped a few degrees. There were 5.9 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture rated 3 percent very short, 23 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 8 percent very short, 25 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2017	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Corn - Dented	99	97	97	97	Corn	2	7	18	55	18
Corn – Mature	84	73	87	80	Cotton	1	1	19	65	14
Corn – Harvested	40	23	43	35	Pasture	1	14	31	46	8
Cotton – Bolls Opening	80	68	47	46	Soybeans	2	4	25	54	15
Cotton – Harvested	2	0	0	1						
Soybeans – Dropping Leaves	41	23	35	35						
Soybeans – Harvested	8	3	3	3						
Tobacco – Cut	65	60	67	61						
Winter Wheat – Planted	3	0	N/A	N/A						

County Agent Comments

Corn harvest is in full swing. Some notable variances in yield within fields. Some soybean harvest has already taken place. The dry weather has had an impact on the number of pods set on soybean plants. Cotton harvest is about to begin. Pastures have been helped with recent rains.

Kenny Herndon, Carroll County

The farmers in Fayette County have been busy harvesting corn and beans. Other activities include defoliating cotton. Cotton picking will start next week.

Jeff Via, Fayette County

Rainfall last weekend varied greatly across the county with some areas receiving 0.75" and others up to 5". Corn harvest continues at a rapid pace with producers pleasantly surprised with average to above average yields. High temperatures with reduced rainfall during the growing season had corn producers skeptical of yields prior to harvest. Forage producers are capitalizing on warmer temperatures and good drying conditions by harvesting hay.

Jeff Lannom, Weakley County

Rain on Sunday brought a huge relief to parts of the county that had been suffering from drought. It kept other folks out of the field for several days. But all agreed it was well worth the wait.

Ronnie Barron, Cheatham County

Some scattered rain this week, but corn and hay harvest continued most of the week. Some parts of the county still need rain.

Larry Moorehead, Moore County

Tobacco harvest is progressing pretty well with the nice weather this week. Most producers have started making their final hay cutting this week. Pastures improved with the moisture and a few cool days and nights.

Jason Evitts, Trousdale County

Corn and bean harvest going strong. Conditions are getting very dry throughout the county.

Kevin Rose, Giles County

Fall hay harvest continues. Crop producers are in wait mode for harvest. Corn silage harvest is complete and producers very pleased with quantity and quality this year.

A. Ruth Correll, Wilson County

Just started harvesting some corn for grain. Finishing up hay harvest.

John Goddard, Loudon County

Early corn yields are impressive.

Chris Ramsey, Sullivan County

TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION
For week ending: September 16, 2018 (with comparisons)

LOCATION	TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION						
	Week Ending September 16, 2018				Current Week 09/16/2018	Rain Days	Current Since January 1	Departure From Normal January 1	Current Since April 1	Departure From Normal April 1	
	HI	LO	AVG	DFN							
West											
Ames_Plantation	93	57	74	1	0.07	1	53.01	13.75	26.66	1.21	
Bolivar_Wtr_Wks	91	58	73	1	1.70	2	58.71	21.08	35.06	11.02	
Brownsville	93	59	74	1	0.33	1	45.19	8.09	22.56	-1.20	
Covington_3SW	91	57	74	1	0.00	0	49.10	12.23	21.44	-2.29	
Dresden	92	57	73	1	0.04	2	40.09	2.76	21.08	-3.33	
Dyersburg_Muni	94	59	76	4	0.06	1	26.93	-8.28	15.05	-7.47	
Henderson_4W	92	56	72	0	1.45	2	60.85	19.70	30.16	3.70	
Huntingdon	91	56	72	0	0.77	1	27.85	-8.81	15.97	-7.53	
Jackson_Exp_Stn	93	55	73	-1	0.77	1	57.70	19.75	32.57	7.85	
Lexington	91	54	72	0	1.06	1	49.60	13.62	24.48	1.60	
Memphis_WFO	92	59	73	-1	0.70	2	52.32	14.64	28.01	3.91	
Milan_Exp_Stn	93	53	72	0	0.30	2	51.84	14.56	26.59	2.12	
Paris	91	55	72	1	0.00	0	31.64	-5.76	17.32	-7.00	
Selmer	92	57	75	2	0.30	2	50.49	10.07	23.89	-2.17	
Union_City	90	55	71	0	0.21	1	37.90	2.11	18.43	-4.74	
Middle											
Bethpage_1S	89	56	72	2	0.01	1	42.86	5.25	24.34	-0.27	
Carthage	92	62	74	2	0.78	1	41.94	4.64	23.35	-1.05	
Centerville_4NE	89	57	71	2	0.83	1	37.23	-4.64	20.25	-7.64	
Cheatham_L_D	94	56	73	2	3.07	3	42.39	6.49	25.27	1.69	
Clarksville_OUT	92	53	73	2	0.00	0	40.54	5.59	22.54	-0.86	
Coalmont	86	60	72	4	1.10	5	51.00	9.47	32.67	6.17	
Columbia_3WNW	91	61	76	4	0.42	2	42.72	2.73	23.24	-2.48	
Cookeville	90	62	74	4	2.32	2	53.23	12.77	35.15	9.47	
Crossville_MEM	86	60	72	4	1.06	3	53.93	13.78	36.49	10.54	
Dover_1W	91	56	74	3	0.86	1	44.85	8.03	29.55	5.62	
Fayetteville_Wt	92	63	75	3	0.15	1	42.70	4.06	23.29	-0.42	
Franklin	93	61	75	2	0.56	1	41.30	3.66	24.71	0.41	
Hohenwald	89	60	71	0	0.46	2	47.69	7.41	24.43	-1.43	
Jamestown	87	58	70	2	1.40	2	45.42	4.72	29.33	2.50	
Kingston_Spring	93	55	73	2	0.57	1	34.44	-0.87	16.82	-5.83	
Lobelville	94	57	72	1	0.13	1	48.57	9.23	24.28	-1.18	
Monteagle	85	60	72	3	1.78	3	54.30	9.92	36.43	8.05	
Murfreesboro_5	92	61	74	2	1.10	1	41.16	2.84	24.16	-0.70	
Nashville_INTL	94	61	76	4	0.00	0	50.47	16.46	33.10	10.89	
Shelbyville_Wtr	93	62	76	3	1.43	2	39.66	-0.41	21.89	-3.14	
Sparta_WWTP	90	62	74	4	2.96	4	56.22	17.31	37.73	13.23	
Springfield_Exp	90	55	72	1	0.01	1	38.15	2.08	21.73	-1.76	
Tullahoma	90	62	74	3	0.32	1	47.99	6.57	29.52	4.16	
Waynesboro	92	58	73	2	1.12	2	47.35	4.69	23.93	-3.95	
East											
Athens	91	67	77	6	0.74	5	56.96	17.21	40.74	16.07	
Bristol_Tri-City	90	64	76	7	1.42	3	41.57	10.43	28.43	7.55	
Chattanooga_Lov	92	69	79	6	0.93	1	47.22	9.87	33.62	11.00	
Gatlinburg_2SW	83	64	72	4	2.91	5	52.85	10.77	33.38	5.10	
Greeneville_Exp	91	66	75	6	1.57	4	37.38	4.34	25.59	2.78	
Kingston_Ag	92	65	76	4	0.52	2	46.85	8.17	27.84	4.23	
Knoxville_AP	90	66	77	5	0.47	3	41.79	6.48	26.84	4.45	
Lenior_City	90	63	74	1	1.07	2	34.54	-2.85	20.95	-2.37	
Morristown_Radi	89	65	75	5	0.03	1	36.30	2.60	20.26	-1.29	
Oak_Ridge	93	66	78	7	0.58	3	39.92	3.02	21.67	-1.06	
Roan_Mtn_3SW	79	59	69	6	0.99	4	45.00	8.25	30.78	5.25	
Rogersville_1N	89	65	75	6	1.58	5	41.33	8.54	23.02	1.95	
Townsend_5S	83	64	72	5	2.59	4	43.93	2.90	29.13	2.71	

DFN = Departure from Normal (Using 1961-90 Normals Period). Rain Days = Days with precip of 0.01 inch or more during the week. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) measured in inches

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