



Iowa Ag News – Crop Progress & Condition

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Dry weather with isolated showers led to **5.4 days suitable for fieldwork** during the week ending June 1, 2025, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service. Primary field activities included planting, cutting hay and spraying emerging crops.

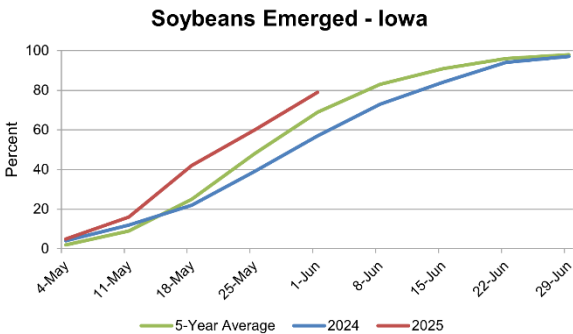
Topsoil moisture condition rated 5 percent very short, 23 percent short, 70 percent adequate and 2 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition rated 5 percent very short, 27 percent short, 65 percent adequate and 3 percent surplus.

Corn planted reached 97 percent. Corn emerged reached 87 percent, 6 days ahead of last year’s pace and 1 day ahead of normal. Corn condition rated 84 percent good to excellent. Ninety-six percent of the expected **soybean** crop has been planted. Soybeans emerged reached 79 percent, 10 days ahead of last year and 4 days ahead of normal. Soybean condition rated 81 percent good to excellent. Ninety-five percent of the State’s **oat crop** has emerged. Oats headed reached 41 percent, 2 days ahead of last year and 1 week ahead of normal. Oat condition rated 85 percent good to excellent.

Sixty-one percent of the State’s first cutting of **alfalfa hay** has been completed, 6 days ahead of last year and average. **Hay condition** rated 83 percent good to excellent. **Pasture condition** rated 73 percent good to excellent.

Crop Condition as of June 1, 2025

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	0	2	14	61	23
Hay, all	0	2	15	58	25
Oats	0	1	14	68	17
Pasture and range ..	1	4	22	55	18
Soybeans	1	2	16	63	18



Crop Progress as of June 1, 2025

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)
Corn emerged	91	97	81	86	84	87	76	88	89	87	76	79	86
Hay, alfalfa, 1st cutting	49	35	64	48	69	70	63	61	65	61	40	37	36
Oats emerged	99	98	94	88	94	95	96	96	95	95	92	97	97
Oats headed	20	33	26	48	54	63	60	61	39	41	26	39	23
Soybeans planted	98	99	96	96	97	96	86	95	97	96	92	82	91
Soybeans emerged	84	87	70	77	78	84	66	77	82	79	60	57	69

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of June 1, 2025

Item	Districts									State		
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable	4.9	5.1	6.2	5.2	5.7	5.4	4.8	5.3	6.0	5.4	3.8	3.8
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture												
Very short	3	0	1	11	1	5	9	6	8	5	4	0
Short	22	23	27	19	16	23	28	19	35	23	15	3
Adequate	75	75	70	67	75	71	63	74	56	70	76	75
Surplus	0	2	2	3	8	1	0	1	1	2	5	22
Subsoil moisture												
Very short	5	0	4	15	1	5	10	1	2	5	5	1
Short	33	10	24	39	19	23	36	20	39	27	23	7
Adequate	62	79	62	46	75	72	54	78	58	65	67	77
Surplus	0	11	10	0	5	0	0	1	1	3	5	15

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

IOWA PRELIMINARY WEATHER SUMMARY

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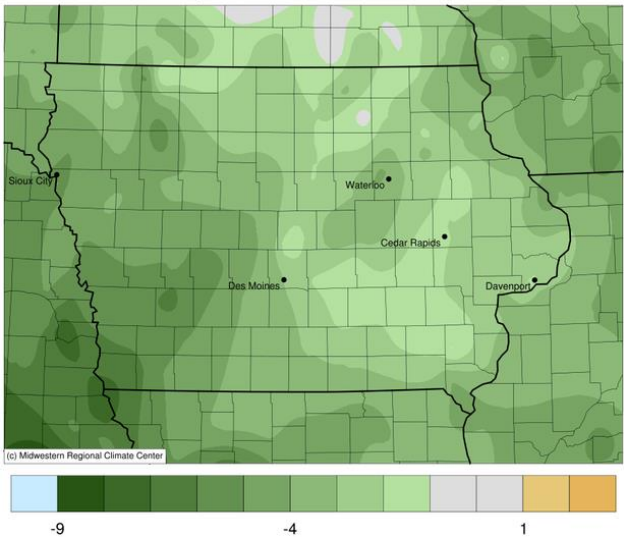
Reports from the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship and maps from the Midwestern Regional Climate Center reflect data collected from 7:00 A.M. Central Time May 26, 2025 through 7:00 A.M. Central Time on June 2, 2025.

Upper level wildfire smoke produced a copper-colored Sun on several days during the reporting period, slightly reducing incoming solar radiation. Along with persisting cloud cover mid-week, air temperatures remained cooler than normal for the end of May; the statewide average temperature was 62.2 degrees, 2.4 degrees below normal. Rainfall totals were generally light across the state with scarce amounts in south-central and eastern Iowa.

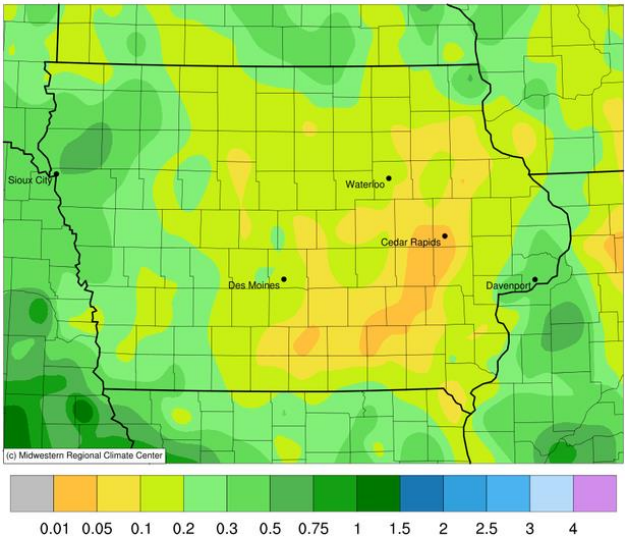
Showers moving across southern Iowa dissipated by noon on Sunday (25th), leaving behind totals generally under 0.10 inch; Pacific Junction (Mills County) reported more than double this amount at 0.22 inch. Most of Iowa reported clear conditions into Monday (26th) morning with lows ranging from the upper 40s north to mid 50s south. Clouds began to increase over southwestern Iowa during the late morning with mostly cloudy skies developing statewide toward the evening hours as temperatures reached into the upper 60s and low 70s. Showers developed across western Iowa into Tuesday (27th) as a cut-off low pressure system stalled over the Upper Midwest. Overcast skies and rain persisted through the day with high temperatures ranging from the upper 50s northwest to low 70s southeast. Light rain tapered off overnight into Wednesday (28th) with cloudy morning conditions and temperatures in the 50s. Event rain totals were highest in western Iowa with 0.51 inch at Sioux City Airport (Woodbury County) to 0.64 inch in Bedford (Taylor County). Many stations receiving rainfall had general amounts in the 0.20-0.40-inch range with lesser amounts farther east. Unsettled conditions continued through the daylight hours with high temperatures in the 60s and light, northerly winds. Patchy fog formed in central to western Iowa early on Thursday (29th) with clouds hanging over much of northern Iowa. Peeks of sunshine were visible here and there towards the evening with temperatures warming into the upper 60s and low 70s with some scattered light showers. Wind shifted to a northwesterly direction into Friday (30th), ushering Canadian wildfire smoke into the region. Wind speeds increased across the state with temperatures breaching the 80 degrees mark across southeastern Iowa; conditions held in the upper 70s over the rest of Iowa with ample sunshine. Saturday (31st) was an ideal day for Iowans with light and variable winds, comfortable relative humidity and highs in the low 80s. Sunday (1st) morning dawned with lows in the 50s and upper level smoke producing a beautiful sunrise.

Weekly precipitation totals ranged from no accumulation at multiple stations in east-central Iowa to 0.79 inch in Remsen (Plymouth County). The statewide weekly average precipitation was 0.21 inch; the normal is 1.08 inches. Several southwest stations reported the week’s high temperature of 88 degrees on the 31st, on average nine degrees above normal. Multiple northern Iowa stations reported the week’s low temperature of 40 degrees on the 26th and 27th, on average 12 degrees below normal.

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
May 26, 2025 to June 01, 2025



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 26, 2025 to June 01, 2025



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

Additional soil moisture data are available at: <https://nassgeo.csiss.gmu.edu/CropCASMA/>