



Indiana Crop & Weather Report

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CROP REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 25

Corn planting is nearly complete, according to the Indiana Agricultural Statistics Service. Emergence of both corn and soybeans has been slow due to below normal temperatures and soil crusting. Many farmers are currently replanting some early planted corn and soybeans. Many areas of the state experienced light frosts during the week, however very little crop damage has been reported.

CORN AND SOYBEANS

Corn planting progressed to 97 percent complete, well ahead of 41 percent last year and the average of 37 percent. By region, corn planting is 98 percent complete in the north, 99 percent complete in the central, and 29 percent complete in the south. **Soybean planting** is 81 percent complete. This is well ahead of 14 percent last year, and the average of 48 percent. By region, soybean planting is 86 percent complete in the north, 86 percent complete in the central, and 60 percent complete in the south.

WINTER WHEAT

Winter wheat **condition** is rated 71 percent good or excellent, compared to only 33 percent at this time last year. Statewide, 48 percent of the wheat is **headed**, compared to 46 percent last year and the average of 60 percent.

OTHER CROPS

Pasture condition was rated 8 percent excellent, 53 percent good, 29 percent fair, 8 percent poor and 2 percent very poor. Transplanting of **tobacco** is 18 percent complete. First cutting of **alfalfa** is currently 10 percent complete.

DAYS SUITABLE and SOIL MOISTURE

For the week ending Friday, 5.4 days were rated **suitable for fieldwork**. **Topsoil moisture** was rated 4 percent very short, 22 percent short, 64 percent adequate and 10 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** was rated 1 percent very short, 11 percent short, 79 percent adequate and 9 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Avg
	Percent			
Corn Planted	97	86	41	73
Soybeans Planted	81	54	14	48
Winter Wheat Headed	48	30	46	50

CROP CONDITION

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent				
Winter Wheat 5/25	1	3	25	58	13
Winter Wheat 5/18	0	4	27	56	13
Winter Wheat 1996	7	20	40	28	5
Pasture	2	8	29	53	8

SOIL MOISTURE

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
	Percent		
Topsoil			
Very Short	4	0	0
Short	22	14	0
Adequate	64	77	59
Surplus	10	9	41
Subsoil			
Very Short	1	0	0
Short	11	5	1
Adequate	79	85	59
Surplus	9	10	40

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