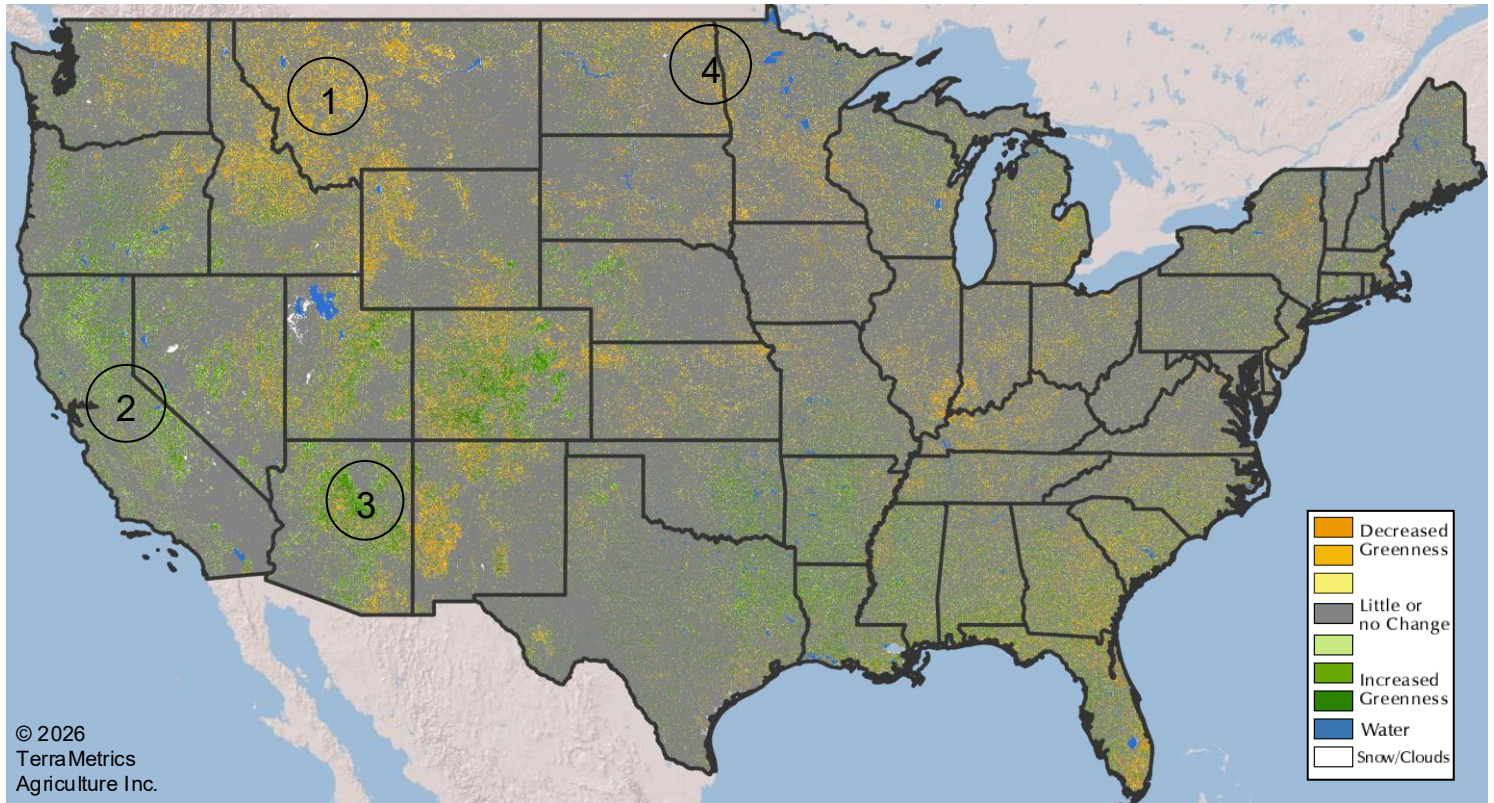


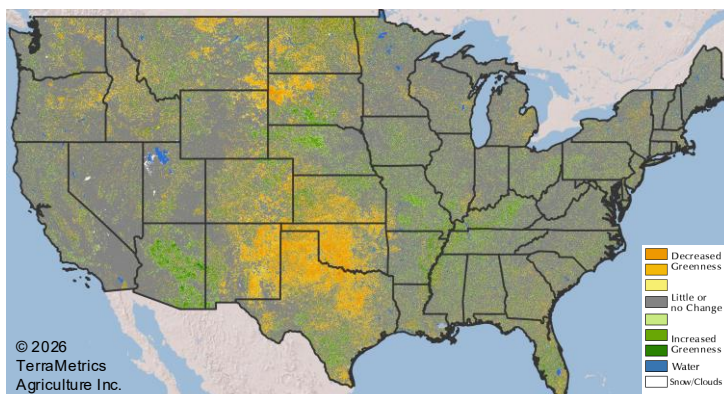
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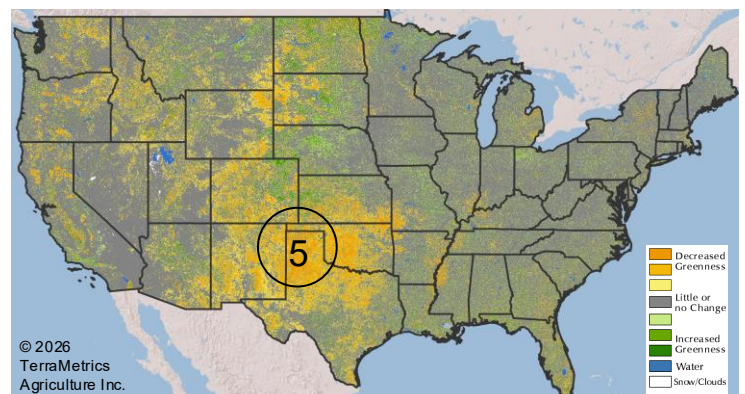


1. Despite widespread rainfall, localized thunderstorms, and cooler temperatures in the Mountain West, active wildfire smoke continues to affect portions of the region.
2. In California's Central Valley, temperatures were unusually cool, with daytime highs 10 to 20 degrees below average, followed by a rapid warm-up.
3. Residual moisture from the North American monsoon continued to generate scattered showers and thunderstorms throughout portions of the Four Corners region.
4. The Red River region of northern North Dakota and Minnesota was brutally dry through most of August but received a recent drenching, though this arrived too late to provide much help for maturing corn and soybeans.
5. A pronounced decline in vegetation greenness persists across the Southern High Plains, driven by prolonged summer heat and below-average precipitation relative to historical norms.

DIFFERENCE from LAST YEAR



DIFFERENCE from AVERAGE



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USDA CROP CONDITIONS

Week of September 7, 2026

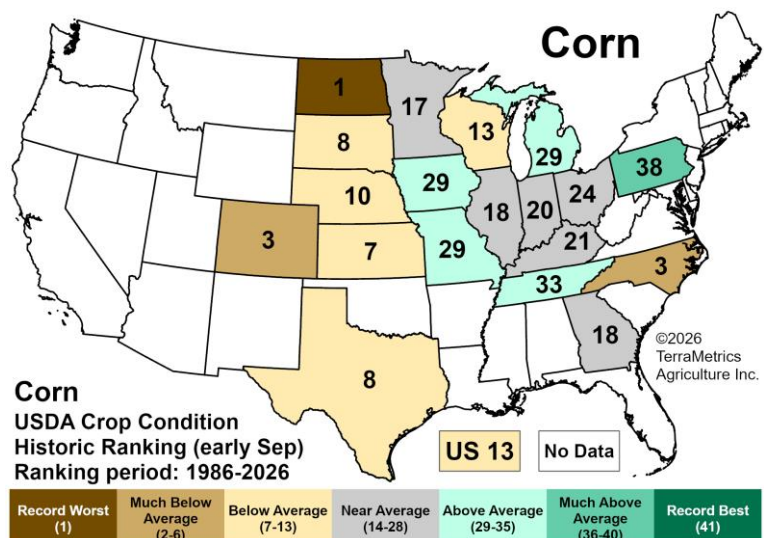
The tables below contain crop condition percentages from the most recent state-level USDA crop progress reports released 9/8/26 for the top-10 corn and soybean states. **For comparison, numbers from last week (8/31/26) are shown in parentheses.**

"Historic Rank" was determined by compiling nearby condition rating since the mid-1980s and evaluating how the latest 2026 condition ratings stack up.

USDA CORN CROP CONDITIONS

State	VP-P	F	G-E	Historic Rank*
IA	6 (6)	17 (17)	77 (77)	29 (30)
IL	13 (12)	32 (30)	55 (58)	18 (18)
NE	17 (17)	30 (25)	53 (58)	10 (11)
MN	14 (12)	28 (26)	58 (62)	17 (19)
IN	10 (10)	28 (28)	62 (62)	20 (18)
SD	26 (32)	32 (29)	42 (39)	8 (6)
KS	37 (31)	22 (27)	41 (42)	7 (9)
OH	7 (8)	32 (31)	61 (61)	24 (24)
MO	10 (7)	27 (25)	63 (68)	29 (29)
WI	14 (13)	24 (25)	62 (62)	13 (14)
US	17 (17)	27 (26)	56 (57)	13 (12)

* 1 = worst, 41 = best



USDA SOYBEAN CROP CONDITIONS

State	VP-P	F	G-E	Historic Rank*
IL	12 (12)	31 (29)	57 (59)	17 (20)
IA	7 (5)	18 (18)	75 (77)	27 (32)
MN	13 (13)	31 (30)	56 (57)	13 (16)
IN	10 (10)	27 (27)	63 (63)	20 (19)
NE	11 (11)	25 (24)	64 (65)	21 (19)
MO	12 (8)	33 (30)	55 (62)	28 (30)
OH	8 (8)	34 (34)	58 (58)	25 (24)
SD	21 (25)	31 (30)	48 (45)	8 (5)
ND	32 (29)	40 (41)	28 (30)	3 (3)
KS	29 (24)	34 (32)	37 (44)	10 (11)
US	13 (13)	29 (29)	58 (58)	23 (22)

* 1 = worst, 41 = best

