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- CropTalk Webinar: Environmental Farm Plans: What's New on Wednesday, Oct. 14 at 9 am
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Weather Report

- Rain this week brought variable precipitation accumulations across Manitoba. Most of the southern portion of the province received 10 to 30 mm of rain. Large areas of the Interlake and Northwest regions saw accumulations of less than 5 mm over the past eight days. The highest accumulation of precipitation was at Cartwright with 31.3 mm.

- Climate normals for total accumulated precipitation from May 1 to October 12 range from 269 mm to 423 mm and are based on 30-year historical data. Since May 1, large areas of the Northwest and Southwest regions have accumulated more than 380 mm of precipitation. Seasonal accumulations are well above normal for most of the Northwest, Southwest, and Interlake regions. Large portions of these areas have seen accumulations over 120% of normal. A few localized areas of the Interlake, Central and Eastern regions have seen accumulations below 90% of the 30-year average.

- Total Accumulation of Growing Degree Days shows the accumulated growing degree days (GDD) for the period of May 1 – October 12, 2026. GDD accumulations ranged between 1441 and 2054 GDD so far this growing season. Most of southern Manitoba has accumulated more than 1800 GDD. Much of agro-Manitoba received frost on October 2.

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Table 1. Range of measurements of seven-day accumulated precipitation in Manitoba's Agricultural Regions (October 4-12, 2026).

Region	Wettest location last eight days	Driest location last eight days
Central	Cartwright (31.3 mm)	Plumas (10.3 mm)
Eastern	Elma (17.1 mm)	Stead (8.4 mm)
Interlake	Stonewall (14.0 mm)	Moosehorn (0.4 mm)
Northwest	McCreary (11.6 mm)	Swan Valley (0.2 mm)
Southwest	Deloraine (28.8 mm)	Russell (4.8 mm)

Table 2: Percentage of Harvest Completion by Crop and Region to October 14, 2026.

Crop	Southwest	Northwest	Central	Eastern	Interlake	MB AVG
Winter Wheat	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Fall Rye	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Spring Wheat	95%	90%	100%	99%	100%	97%
Barley	95%	90%	100%	99%	100%	97%
Oats	95%	90%	100%	99%	100%	97%
Field Pea	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Canola	75%	80%	97%	99%	85%	86%
Soybean	35%	65%	80%	85%	45%	61%
Dry Bean	-	-	95%	-	-	76%
Grain Corn	-	-	25%	5%	35%	12%
Silage Corn	60%	-	95%	99%	85%	66%
Regional AVG	69%	72%	92%	87%	81%	79%

Crops still unharvested, or negligible acres displayed as – or omitted from this table.

Commodity Reports

Note: All yields are reported in comparison to 10-year (2015-2024) averages by region based on MASC published data. For reference, please refer to the regional average tables by crop.

Cereals

- Spring cereal harvest is considered complete in the Central, Eastern and Interlake regions. The majority of spring cereals are yielding average, but yields range from slightly below average to above average across the province. Quality was good in earlier-harvested crops; however, downgrading due to sprouting and weathering is occurring in later-harvested fields.
- Grain corn is in the dent stage. Fields have been harvested in Central, Eastern, and Interlake.
- Silage corn harvest is 66% complete, with the Central and Eastern regions complete.
- Winter cereals are growing well following the recent moisture.

Oilseeds

- Canola harvest progressed quickly over the past week, with yields reported as below average to average. Strong winds and rain have caused lodging in some fields, making harvest conditions difficult. Sprouting, regrowth, pod shatter and pod drop have been an issue in some areas.
- Sunflowers are in the R8 to R9 stage.
- Flax harvest is 50% complete.

Pulses & Soybeans

- The majority of soybeans are in R8. Harvest has progressed to 61% complete, with Central and Eastern regions more than 80% complete. Yield reports are average to above average.
- Pea harvest is considered complete, with the majority of yields reported as being average to good quality.

Forages & Livestock

Forages

- Producers made significant progress with fall fieldwork during the stretch of favourable weather, including baling hay, corn silage harvest, hauling straw and manure spreading.
- Corn silage is ongoing across the province with reported yields generally above average.
- Abundant forage supplies are allowing producers to extend the grazing season, with cattle being moved to fall grazing sites, including crop residue and hay fields.

Livestock

- Cow-calf pairs continue to perform well on fall pastures, with cattle generally maintaining good body condition. Many producers are keeping pairs on pasture longer than usual where forage and water supplies permit.
- Producers are beginning to haul calves to auction marts in greater numbers. Many have started weaning calves, while others have already completed calf sales.
- Some cattle remain on pasture with supplemental feed as the grazing season winds down.
- Producers are beginning to test winter feed supplies and formulate rations in preparation for the upcoming winter-feeding period.

Regional Comments

Southwest

Harvest progressed well this week in most areas. For most producers, cereal harvest is complete, and a significant portion of the canola crop has been harvested. Soybean harvest has begun across most of the region. Rain on Sunday brought harvest operations to a standstill.

Spring wheat harvest is approximately 90-95% complete. Yields have generally held up, but quality is declining. Grades of No. 3 and feed quality wheat are being reported.

Barley harvest is approximately 95% complete, with average to above-average yields. Recently harvested crops have been downgraded due to sprouting, discoloration, and low-test weights. Most of the crop is being graded as feed.

Oat harvest is approximately 95% complete, with average yields being reported.

Canola harvest is approximately 75-80% complete. Reports indicate average yields and good quality. The biggest challenges continue to be difficult harvesting conditions caused by disease, lodging, and wet field conditions.

Soybean harvest is underway, with fields at 95-100% maturity. Harvest is approximately 35-40% complete, with average to above-average yields being reported.

Corn is in the dent stage (R5), while silage is being harvested at approximately 65% moisture. Sunflowers are at the R8 stage and are ready for desiccation. Silage harvest is approximately 40% complete, and producers are making rapid progress. Fields appear to be slightly drier than those planted to small grains.

One or two fields of winter cereals may have been seeded; however, most producers intending to seed winter cereals have been unable to access fields due to standing crops and/or excessive moisture.

Some fall fertilizer application is expected to begin this week, but total acres treated this fall will likely be significantly lower than usual due to the late, wet harvest.

Northwest

Another week of good fall weather allowed for continued harvest progress. Most of the region received frost to varying degrees. Birch River and Ruthenia station recorded lowest overnight temperatures at -3.2 degrees.

There are reports of sprouting in some crops. Some low areas in fields continue to hold water. Post harvest operations have been occurring as conditions improve and dry up.

Pre-harvest glyphosate applications in spring wheat are wrapped up. Desiccation and swathing of canola have pretty much wrapped as well.

Fall rye and winter wheat harvest is complete. Seeding of winter cereals are complete and with recent moisture and heat are growing nicely.

Field pea harvest has been completed. Reported yields have been mixed, ranging from 30 to 50 bu/acre on average.

Spring wheat harvest is approximately 85% complete across the region. Reported yields have been mixed, depending on how the crop fared through the season. Yields range from 50 to 90 bu/acre so far.

Good progress on canola harvest this week with approximately 70% of the crop harvested. Yields have been average to below average for the most part. Reported yields so far have averaged 25 to 35 bu/ac.

Majority of the soybean crop is in late R7 to R8 stage and looking good where excess moisture hasn't delayed growth this spring. Harvest is approximately 25% complete across the region.

Central

The Central region experienced many days of harvest over the past week, with most locations receiving little or no rainfall Monday through Saturday. Much progress was made with soybean, edible bean, and grain corn. Rain on Sunday and Thanksgiving Monday put a halt to harvest.

Spring cereal harvest was completed this week. Yields were mostly average; however, this year, much of the harvested grain required additional drying, had lodging issues, or experienced a decline in quality. Pre-harvest sprouting and low falling numbers were common, especially around Portage la Prairie and in the west of the region. Several delayed harvested fields received Grade No. 3.

Barley yields were slightly above average but several fields were downgraded to feed where harvest could not be completed in a timely manner.

Oat test weights were lower than typical, likely due to lower soil moisture during critical development stages. Oats had fields remaining green for longer than typical this year, delaying harvest for many producers.

Soybean harvest is nearing completion, with yields ranging from average to a little above average. Many fields had areas of soybeans maturing at different rates, which made decisions regarding harvest timing difficult. There has been some pre-harvest sprouting in fields that experienced delayed harvest due to excess moisture, and more green seed in harvested crops than is typically reported.

Edible bean harvest is nearing completion.

Almost all canola is harvested, with most remaining acres in the north of the region. Pre-harvest sprouting has been an issue in some fields this year, and grain buyers have reported a greater incidence of green seed this year. In general, yields have been lower than in recent years, likely due to a combination of weather, insect, and disease pressures. Pod shattering has been a common issue, with the winds shaking the plants and causing the pods to drop off. Many fields have a strong carpet of volunteer canola.

Flax harvest is nearly complete. Overall, flax crops are good, aside from areas that experienced waterlogging early in the season, which have yielded very poorly.

Sunflower harvest continues, with initial yields above average. There is a lot of sclerotinia head rot, and there has been some limited blackbird feeding.

Corn harvest continues, with substantial progress made over the past week. Early yield reports were above average. The corn crop appears to have fared relatively well despite the dry conditions experienced earlier in the season and is likely the only major grain crop that has benefited from some of the end of season rainfall.

Blackbirds are feeding on cobs. Corn silage harvest is almost complete, with average to above-average yields. High plant moisture and kernel integrity are concerns for this year's crop.

Other fall activities are well underway, including harrowing, cultivating, ditching, and applying fall fertilizers.

Eastern

The Eastern region saw minimal rainfall last week. Harvest progressed quickly this past week; and most producers were able to get back to soybean harvest. With the rain over the long weekend, producers are hoping for sunny and windy conditions to help dry fields so harvesting can continue.

Wheat harvest is estimated at 99% complete. Oat and barley harvest is estimated at 99% complete as well. All spring cereal yields have been reported as average at best. Damage from drowned out areas of fields earlier this growing season have brought yields down.

Corn hybrids in the region are at the "black layer" or (physiologically mature) stage of kernel development. Harvesting of corn has begun, estimated at 5% complete. Early yield estimates are above the 10-year average for the area, but more acres will need to be harvested to get a better yield average. With many producers in the area finishing up soybeans this past week, corn harvest will become more general.

Canola harvest is estimated at 99% complete, with many farms finished. Yields are below average to average (field dependent). Early season moisture stress and heat during flowering is being cited for the lower-than-average yields.

Soybean harvest continued this past week in the region. Harvest completion is estimated at 85%. Yield estimates vary but in general are above the 10-year average. Growers are once again hopeful for drier weather so harvest can continue.

Sunflowers in the area have been desiccated and are standing well and looking good. Harvest has begun with above average yields compared to the 10-year average.

Fall field work is ongoing with many farms caught up with cultivation and drainage ditching. Producers continue to be able to use harvest weather delays to get their fall field work caught up.

Interlake

Harvest is moving along well across the Interlake despite a few spotty showers last week. Most cereal crops are now in the bin, and many farmers are finishing up soybeans, canola, and corn and starting sunflower. Regionally, harvest is 81% complete, with most producers wrapping up and finishing soon.

Winter wheat and fall rye harvest is complete. Winter wheat yields ranged from average to slightly above average, depending mainly on growing-season moisture.

Spring wheat, oat and barley harvest is finished, with yields generally ranging from average to above average.

Grain corn has reached maturity and is drying down nicely. Harvest has started in some areas and is estimated at 35-40% complete. Corn crops are generally looking good, with no major quality concerns reported. Yields are slightly above average.

Corn silage harvest is wrapping up at 85-90% complete, with yields reported in the average to above-average range.

Soybean harvest continues at 60-65% complete, with yields of average to slightly above average. Pea harvest is 100% complete, with above average yield reported.

Canola harvest is 85% complete, with average to slightly above average yields. Remaining acres are expected to come off quickly if weather conditions allow.

Sunflower harvest has begun in a few locations. Most fields were desiccated over the past week and are progressing well toward harvest. Flax harvest is continuous, with average to above-average yields.

Recently seeded fall rye and winter wheat were establishing well across the region, with good stands and even germination observed. As harvest operations near completion, producers are turning their focus to fall fieldwork, including harrowing fields, spraying weeds and applying fertilizer.