

Description

The Minnesota Crop Productivity Index (CPI) ratings provide a relative ranking of soils based on their potential for intensive row crop production. An index can be used to rate the potential yield of one soil against that of another over a period of time. Ratings range from 0 to 100. The higher numbers indicate higher production potential.

The CPI ratings do not take into account climatic factors, such as the differences in precipitation or growing degree days across Minnesota. The ratings are based on physical and chemical properties of the soils and on such hazards and flooding and ponding. Available water capacity, reaction (pH), slopes, soil moisture status, cation-exchange capacity (CEC), organic matter content, salinity, and surface fragments are the major properties evaluated when CPI ratings are generated. The soil properties selected are those that are important for the production of corn.

All map units in Minnesota were initially evaluated using the Cropland Productivity rule in the National Soil Information System (NASIS). They were assigned a value using an overall CPI based on the combined properties and characteristics of the map unit as a whole, and the values were adjusted based on tacit knowledge of local experts. An individual map unit (for example, Canisteo clay loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes) will have the same CPI value wherever that map unit occurs throughout the state.

When the soils are rated, the following assumptions are made: a) adequate management, b) no irrigation, c) artificial drainage where required, d) no land leveling or terracing, and e) no climatic factors considered.

The map unit CPI was used to update the map unit crop yields for corn and soybeans. Even though predicted average yields will change with time, the productivity indices are expected to remain relatively constant in relation to one another over time.

Rating Options

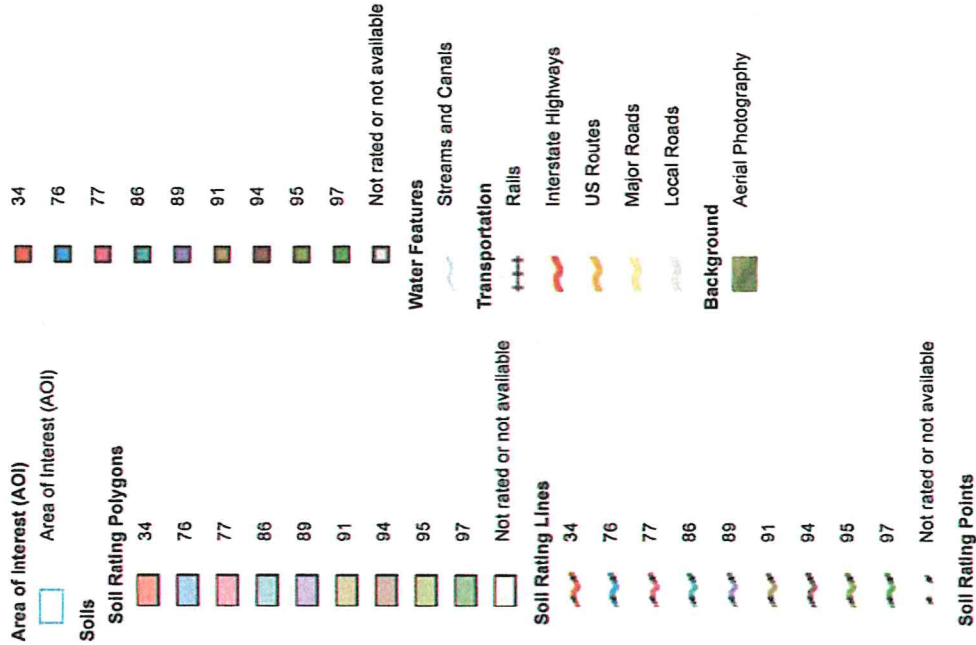
Aggregation Method: No Aggregation Necessary

Tie-break Rule: Lower

Minnesota Crop Productivity Index

Map unit symbol	Map unit name	Rating	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
CW	Cordova-Webster complex	89	52.3	41.7%
GL	Glencoe clay loam, 0 to 1 percent slopes	86	4.5	3.6%
HM	Hamel loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes	94	4.1	3.3%
LA	Le Sueur-Lester complex, 1 to 6 percent slopes	95	40.3	32.1%
LB2	Lester loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes	91	1.7	1.4%
LC	Lester loam, 6 to 10 percent slopes	76	1.6	1.3%
LC2	Lester loam, 6 to 10 percent slopes, moderately eroded	76	14.3	11.4%
LE2	Lester loam, 10 to 22 percent slopes, moderately eroded	34	0.1	0.1%
LS	Le Sueur loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes	97	2.5	2.0%
PM	Klossner muck, 0 to 1 percent slopes	77	4.0	3.2%
Totals for Area of Interest			125.4	100.0%

MAP LEGEND



MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:12,000.

Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for map measurements.

Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service
Web Soil Survey URL:
Coordinate System: Web Mercator (EPSG:3857)

Maps from the Web Soil Survey are based on the Web Mercator projection, which preserves direction and shape but distorts distance and area. A projection that preserves area, such as the Albers equal-area conic projection, should be used if more accurate calculations of distance or area are required.

This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.

Soil Survey Area: Carver County, Minnesota
Survey Area Data: Version 22, Sep 9, 2025

Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50,000 or larger.

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Jun 29, 2023—Sep 13, 2023

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Map Unit Legend

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
CW	Cordova-Webster complex	52.3	41.7%
GL	Glencoe clay loam, 0 to 1 percent slopes	4.5	3.6%
HM	Hamel loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes	4.1	3.3%
LA	Le Sueur-Lester complex, 1 to 6 percent slopes	40.3	32.1%
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 Area of Interest (AOI)	 Spoil Area
 Soils	 Stony Spot
 Soil Map Unit Polygons	 Very Stony Spot
 Soil Map Unit Lines	 Wet Spot
 Soil Map Unit Points	 Other
 Special Point Features	 Special Line Features
 Blowout	 Water Features
 Borrow Pit	 Streams and Canals
 Clay Spot	 Transportation
 Closed Depression	 Ralls
 Gravel Pit	 Interstate Highways
 Gravelly Spot	 US Routes
 Landfill	 Major Roads
 Lava Flow	 Local Roads
 Marsh or swamp	 Background
 Mine or Quarry	 Aerial Photography
 Miscellaneous Water	
 Perennial Water	
 Rock Outcrop	
 Saline Spot	
 Sandy Spot	
 Severely Eroded Spot	
 Sinkhole	
 Slide or Slip	
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