

# Delaware

## Weekly Crop and Weather Report

DE-CW1005

JUNE 6, 2005

### WARM TEMPERATURES AND RAIN WILL HELP CROP GROWTH

Warm weather throughout the week helped crops grow. Last week's activities included finishing up spraying for rust in **wheat**, finishing **soybean** planting, and some replanting of **corn** and **soybeans**. However, precipitation on Friday caused field work to be put on hold. Hot and humid weather late in the weekend, following the rain, should aid crop growth for the upcoming week. There were **4.7 days suitable for field work**.

**Small grains** are in mostly good to excellent condition. **Barley** condition is rated 1 percent poor, 9 percent fair, 69 percent good and 21 percent excellent. **Winter wheat** is rated 1 percent poor, 7 percent fair, 66 percent good, and 26 percent excellent. Fruits, including **apples** and **peaches**, are in good condition around the state as well.

**Pastures** are in generally good condition with 1 percent poor, 17 percent fair, 65 percent good and 17 percent excellent. **Hay supplies** are 8 percent short, 85 percent adequate and 7 percent excellent.

#### DELAWARE'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 5, 2005 (PERCENT)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average 2000-2004
<b>Small Grain Development:</b>				
<b>Barley Turned</b>	63	26	92	75
<b>Wheat Turned</b>	23	11	60	29
<b>Planting Progress:</b>				
<b>Cantaloups</b>	94	90	88	68
<b>Cucumbers</b>	52	40	45	37
<b>Lima Beans (Processed)</b>	46	31	28	33
<b>Snap Beans</b>	70	48	65	65
<b>Sorghum</b>	65	57	63	39
<b>Soybeans</b>	56	47	57	36
<b>Sweet Corn</b>	71	61	65	68
<b>Tomatoes</b>	88	80	83	67
<b>Watermelons</b>	98	88	85	67
<b>Field Corn:</b>				
<b>Planted</b>	99	98	98	96
<b>Emerged</b>	91	84	96	89

#### SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 5, 2005 (PERCENT)

Condition	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
<b>Topsoil Moisture</b>	-	2	92	6
<b>Topsoil (2004)</b>	-	16	77	8
<b>Five Year Average</b>	1	10	68	21
<b>Subsoil Moisture</b>	-	5	91	4
<b>Subsoil (2004)</b>	-	7	89	4
<b>Five Year Average</b>	2	14	71	13

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**WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 5, 2005**

Weather Station	Precipitation			Temperatures			
	Total this week	Total Since Jan 1	Departure from Normal Since Jan 1	High	Low	Average	Departure from Normal
<b>Maryland</b>							
Baltimore/Washington Airport	0.78	17.77	0.76	79	48	65	-5
Easton	0.85	23.13	4.18	80	53	65	-6
Frederick	0.44	15.87	-0.59	82	51	65	-1
Frostburg	0.39	18.40	-1.59	75	46	59	-3
Hagerstown	0.38	12.59	-3.56	78	50	64	-4
Mechanicsville	0.80	19.73	0.69	78	49	63	-6
Patuxent River	0.21	17.45	0.30	79	55	67	-3
Ocean City	1.67	19.96	0.92	77	48	62	-7
Salisbury	2.40	21.66	2.96	79	44	63	-7
Sharpsburg	0.25	15.27	-1.19	80	45	64	-3
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.70	19.03	3.46	79	56	67	-6
<b>Delaware</b>							
Dover	1.02	20.14	1.89	77	54	64	-6
Georgetown	1.61	19.19	0.69	78	50	64	-5
Wilmington	0.84	18.05	0.85	79	48	63	-6

Weather Data is provided by the Agricultural Weather Information Service, Auburn, Alabama and is considered preliminary.