



Delaware

Weekly Crop and Weather Report

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June 26, 2006

Last week's thunderstorms were welcomed by farmers, but all crop harvesting slowed due to heavy rains as portions of crop land are presently underwater. **Corn** responded positively as the crop was rated 5 percent fair, 60 percent good and 33 percent excellent. There were **4.8 days suitable for field work**.

Small grains were reported in mostly good condition although precipitation has caused a delay in the harvest of **winter wheat**. Thus far, 16 percent of the **winter wheat** crop has been harvested which is slightly behind the 19 percent 5 year average. Wheat was rated 4 percent very poor, 8 percent poor, 26 percent fair, 53 percent good, and 9 percent excellent.

Pasture was rated 1 percent very poor, 12 percent poor, 36 percent fair, 44 percent good, and 7 percent excellent while **hay supplies** were rated 17 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus.

DELAWARE'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 25, 2006

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average 2001-2005
<u>Small Grain Development</u> <i>Percent</i>				
Winter Wheat: Turned	94	78	87	83
Harvested	16	5	13	19
<u>Field Crops</u>				
Soybeans: Planted	78	72	83	70
Emerged	70	64	74	60
<u>Hay</u>				
Alfalfa Hay 2nd Cutting	43	37	28	31
Other Hay 2nd Cutting	22	14	13	27
<u>Vegetables</u>				
Cucumbers	60	52	66	61
Lima Beans (Processed)	57	47	66	52
Snap Beans	92	87	91	89
Sweet Corn	82	79	89	85
Tomatoes	91	78	99	89
Green Peas: Harvested	79	58	76	68
<u>Fruits</u>				
Strawberries: Harvested	98	95	97	95

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 25, 2006

Condition by Percent	Topsoil Moisture			Subsoil Moisture		
	This Week	Last Week	Average 2001-2005	This Week	Last Week	Average 2001-2005
Very Short	-	12	4	-	11	3
Short	7	27	21	21	37	15
Adequate	63	57	57	57	52	66
Surplus	30	4	19	22	-	13

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 25, 2006

Weather Station	Precipitation ¹			Temperatures			
	Total this week	Total Since Jan 1	Departure from Normal Since Jan 1	High	Low	Average	Departure from Normal
Maryland							
Baltimore/Washington Airport	0.89	13.22	-6.21	95	64	80	7
Frederick	1.27	15.13	-4.16	95	62	77	8
Frostburg	1.33	17.46	-5.41	87	53	69	5
Hagerstown	0.6	9.87	-8.84	92	62	77	5
Mechanicsville	1.72	12.95	-8.75	92	63	78	5
Patuxent River	1.18	11.27	-8.39	91	70	79	7
Ocean City	1.23	13.34	-7.93	83	64	75	3
Salisbury	2.96	16.28	-4.82	91	59	76	4
Sharpsburg	0.16	13.44	-5.85	93	57	76	7
Stevensville	2.04	14.21	-5.97	91	67	79	6
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	2.95	14.65	-3.13	93	69	80	3
Delaware							
Dover	3.51	15.07	-5.47	93	68	79	6
Georgetown	6.56	17.78	-2.98	91	66	78	6
Wilmington	0.84	15.95	-3.57	90	63	78	5

¹ Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M on recorded date

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