



# Delaware

## Weekly Crop and Weather Report

DE-CW3006

October 23, 2006

### Corn Harvest Wrapping Up

Rain showers allowed for **4.0 days suitable for field work** for the week ending October 22, 2006. Most areas in Delaware received over inch of rain last week. Air temperatures were in the 70's. **Corn for grain** harvest was 88 percent complete, up 11 percent from last week and on target with the five-year average. **Soybeans** were in mostly fair to good condition with 10 percent rated excellent, 37 percent good, 36 percent fair, 13 percent poor, and 4 percent very poor. **Soybean** harvest progress was at 23 percent, 8 percent above last week.

Planting of **barley** increased 16 percent from last week to 66 percent complete. Planting of **winter wheat** was 28 percent complete, 12 above last week.

**Pasture** was rated 3 percent excellent, 56 percent good, 23 percent fair, 11 percent poor, and 7 percent very poor. **Hay supplies** were rated 6 percent surplus, 61 percent adequate, 30 percent short, and 3 percent very short.

#### DELAWARE'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 22, 2006

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average 2001-2005
<i>Percent</i>				
<b>Field Crops</b>				
<b>Corn:</b>				
Harvested for Grain	88	77	89	88
<b>Soybeans:</b>				
Dropping Leaves	90	80	93	90
Harvested	23	15	28	23
<b>Barley: Planted</b>	66	50	79	71
<b>Winter Wheat: Planted</b>	28	16	27	39
<b>Hay</b>				
Alfalfa Hay: 4 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	91	89	69	83
5 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	16	10	16	24
Other Hay: 4 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	50	45	12	57
<b>Fruits Harvested</b>				
<b>Apples</b>				

#### SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 22, 2006

Condition by Percent	Topsoil Moisture			Subsoil Moisture		
	This Week	Last Week	Average 2001-2005	This Week	Last Week	Average 2001-2005
<b>Very Short</b>	-	-	2	2	2	3
<b>Short</b>	1	2	10	6	9	12
<b>Adequate</b>	81	85	75	80	83	81
<b>Surplus</b>	18	13	13	12	6	4

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