



Delaware

Weekly Crop and Weather Report

DE-CW2607

Rain was sparse in Delaware This Week

September 17, 2007

Only one weather station in Delaware reported more than an inch of rain this week. It may benefit small grain planting. There were **6.3** days suitable for field work.

Corn is rated 32 percent very poor, 19 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 23 percent good and 5 percent excellent. **Soybeans** are 20 percent very poor, 34 percent poor, 19 percent fair, 25 percent good and 2 percent excellent.

Apples are 43 percent harvested. Harvest of **potatoes** and **vegetables** is on going.

Pastures were in very poor to good condition with 31 percent very poor, 15 percent poor, 26 percent fair, 27 percent good, and 1 percent excellent.

Hay supplies were 11 percent very short, 57 percent short, 30 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus.

DELAWARE'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 16, 2007

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Five Year Average
<i>Percent</i>				
Field Crops				
Corn Dent	99	97	99	94
Mature	80	70	90	75
Harvested for Grain	20	12	22	25
Soybeans Turning Color	43	31	42	31
Dropping Leaves	24	15	27	17
Hay				
Alfalfa Hay 4th Cutting	37	30	55	43
Other Hay 3rd Cutting	72	70	94	93
Vegetables Harvested				
Cucumbers	86	81	91	92
Lima Beans	56	44	61	60
Potatoes	80	72	99	96
Fruits Harvested				
Apples	43	36	40	39

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 16, 2007

Condition by Percent	Topsoil Moisture			Subsoil Moisture		
	This Week	Last Week	5 Year Average	This Week	Last Week	5 Year Average
Very Short	10	27	-	15	22	-
Short	59	56	-	64	60	-
Adequate	31	17	-	21	18	-
Surplus	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 16, 2007

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	0.35	23.43	-6.12	90	44	71	2
Frederick	0.45	26.09	-2.17	88	42	68	4
Frostburg	1.29	31.59	-3.15	79	36	61	-1
Hagerstown	0.32	18.74	-9.01	86	44	68	2
Mechanicsville	1.35	23.15	-9.60	88	47	68	-1
Patuxent River	0.74	21.48	-9.17	91	57	74	6
Ocean City	1.56	21.09	-12.17	93	51	74	5
Salisbury	1.45	22.18	-11.33	91	45	70	1
Sharpsburg	0.61	24.33	-3.93	91	38	66	3
Stevensville	0.73	24.66	-5.89	86	47	72	3
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.60	21.71	-6.19	90	51	73	2
Delaware							
Dover	1.36	24.59	-7.66	87	46	71	2
Georgetown	0.99	22.26	-10.22	90	49	72	5
Wilmington	0.29	29.10	-0.55	90	45	72	3

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

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