



# Maryland & Delaware

## Weekly Crop and Weather Report

CW15-08

07/14/2008

### Spotty Rain

For the week ending, July 13, 2008, the **days suitable for fieldwork** were **6.0** days in Maryland and **4.8** days in Delaware. Dry conditions persisted despite some rainfall. One crop reporter in Northern Maryland reported: “Dry weather will allow hay to be harvested.” Other reporters in Delaware reported: “Rain has been very spotty this season. There was not enough rain to make a big difference in conditions.” **Corn** and **Soybeans** were both rated in mostly fair to good condition.

**Hay** supplies remain unchanged from the previous week of short to adequate throughout Maryland and Delaware. **Alfalfa Hay** harvest jumped ahead of schedule as compared to last year. **Apples** and **Peaches** were rated in mostly good to excellent condition in both Maryland and Delaware. Harvesting of **Green Peas** was complete in Maryland. **Potato** and **Sweet Corn** harvest was behind schedule as compared to last year in both states. **Winter Wheat** harvest was over the three-quarters mark. **Pasture** conditions were rated fair to good in both states.

#### CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 13, 2008

Item	Maryland				Delaware			
	This	Last	Last	5 Year	This	Last	Last	5 Year
	Week	Week	Year	Average	Week	Week	Year	Average
Alfalfa Hay, 3 <sup>rd</sup> cutting	16	4	9	9	12	0	3	5
Alfalfa Hay, 4 <sup>th</sup> cutting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Apples, harvested	5	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
Cantaloups, harvested	15	11	15	12	7	2	7	7
Corn, silked	45	16	60	46	30	12	51	51
Corn, dough	1	0	3	3	0	0	11	10
Corn, dent	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Cucumbers, harvested	11	9	14	23	20	12	11	15
Green Peas, harvested	100	99	93	96	86	84	100	95
Lima Beans, harvested	10	10	4	18	0	0	0	2
Other Hay, 2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting	35	22	49	51	71	62	84	62
Other Hay, 3 <sup>rd</sup> cutting	0	0	3	2	5	0	1	2
Other Hay 4 <sup>th</sup> cutting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peaches, harvested	10	3	11	9	8	5	27	16
Potatoes, harvested	6	4	13	19	3	1	4	6
Snap Beans, harvested	32	15	23	29	7	5	24	26
Soybeans, blooming	8	3	10	12	11	2	9	8
Soybeans, setting pods	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	1
Sweet Corn, harvested	15	9	17	16	13	4	25	15
Tomatoes, harvested	16	8	4	10	4	3	4	5
Watermelons, harvested	3	1	8	4	7	3	8	10
Winter Wheat, harvested	81	61	88	80	77	65	96	79

#### CROP CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 13, 2008

Item	Maryland					Delaware				
	VP	P	F	G	EX	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent					Percent				
Apples	0	0	2	95	3	0	2	13	74	11
Corn	3	6	23	55	13	3	12	47	28	10
Pasture	1	3	22	57	17	2	4	57	32	5
Peaches	0	0	15	73	12	0	1	10	65	24
Soybeans	1	6	26	60	7	1	7	47	37	8

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent

**SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 13, 2008**

Condition by Percent	Maryland				Delaware			
	Topsoil Moisture		Subsoil Moisture		Topsoil Moisture		Subsoil Moisture	
	This	Last	This	Last	This	Last	This	Last
	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week
Very Short	6	6	4	6	14	14	1	3
Short	16	17	14	10	36	28	47	41
Adequate	75	74	80	83	49	56	51	55
Surplus	3	3	2	1	1	2	1	1

**WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 13, 2008**

Station	Precipitation <sup>1/</sup>			Temperatures			
	Total this Week	Since Jan 1		High	Low	Average	Depart from Normal
		Total	Depart				
		this	From				
		Week	Normal				
<b>Maryland</b>							
Baltimore/Washington AP	0.54	24.48	2.8	90	62	78	2
Frederick	0.83	26.75	5.28	88	61	75	3
Frostburg	0.13	30.4	4.45	85	55	69	3
Hagerstown	1.11	19.7	-1.17	89	61	77	2
Mechanicsville	0.4	28.86	4.52	87	62	75	-1
Patuxent River	0.24	24.35	2.41	88	64	77	2
Ocean City	0.75	21.47	-2.07	86	63	76	1
Salisbury	0.41	23.25	-0.28	89	56	75	-2
Sharpsburg	0.18	25.78	4.21	90	58	74	2
Stevensville	0.93	33.37	10.6	88	64	77	2
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.02	28.84	8.82	91	71	81	2
<b>Delaware</b>							
Dover	0.36	20.77	-2.51	89	66	77	0
Georgetown	0.3	17.26	-5.54	89	64	77	3
Wilmington	0.29	20.05	-2.02	91	63	79	3

<sup>1/</sup>Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M. on recorded date.

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