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Maryland

Weekly Crop and Weather Report



October 30, 2006

Grain Harvest Still Progressing

There were **4.7 days suitable for field work** for the week ending October 29, 2005. Despite the cloudy, cool and wet weather, harvest still progressed for **corn, soybeans, and alfalfa and other hay**. Farmers were finishing up **corn** harvest and moving toward harvesting **soybeans**. Farmers were wrapping up their **apple** harvest with 98 percent complete, 4 percent above the five year average.

Good progress was made on **alfalfa and other hay** harvest. **Pasture** was rated 9 percent excellent, 44 percent good, 33 percent fair, 13 percent poor and 1 percent very poor. **Hay supplies** were rated 3 percent surplus, 77 percent adequate, 13 percent short, and 7 percent very short.

MARYLAND'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 29, 2006

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average 2001-2005		
Field Crops <i>Percent</i>						
Corn: Harvested for Grain	87	83	87	86		
Soybeans: Dropping Leaves	92	90	93	93		
Harvested	34	30	45	42		
Barley Planted:	85	76	82	89		
Winter Wheat Planted:	48	42	47	60		
Hay						
Alfalfa Hay 4th Cutting	94	78	87	88		
5th Cutting	43	20	19	33		
Other Hay 4th Cutting	63	49	58	82		
Fruits Harvested						
Apples						
SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 29, 2006						
Condition by Percent	Topsoil Moisture			Subsoil Moisture		
	This Week	Last Week	Average 2001-2005	This Week	Last Week	Average 2001-2005
Very Short	-	-	4	-	-	7
Short	1	1	15	5	5	21
Adequate	89	91	69	88	92	66
Surplus	10	8	11	7	3	7

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 29, 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	2.27	35.16	1.33	63	36	49	-5
Frederick	2.03	35.07	2.25	64	36	46	-3
Frostburg	1.33	31.04	-8.13	60	30	38	-9
Hagerstown	1.53	29.55	-2.71	60	36	44	-8
Mechanicsville	1.43	42.98	5.34	66	34	48	-7
Patuxent River	1.37	34.95	-0.40	69	37	51	-4
Ocean City	3.04	34.33	-3.32	73	35	52	-4
Salisbury	1.80	40.23	1.95	69	34	50	-5
Sharpsburg	1.44	37.05	4.23	62	32	45	-5
Stevensville	2.23	39.13	4.31	65	40	50	-5
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	1.79	41.05	8.86	64	39	50	-7
Delaware							
Dover	1.11	34.61	-2.38	69	38	50	-6
Georgetown	1.40	38.73	1.80	70	36	51	-3
Wilmington	1.85	42.64	8.75	67	34	48	-5

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

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