



Maryland

Weekly Crop and Weather Report

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JUNE 12, 2006

Rain Helps Slow Precipitation Deficit

Cooler than normal temperatures and timely rain helped keep the soil moisture deficit from expanding last week. More rain is still needed. There were **6.0 days suitable for field work**. Other than double crop soybean planting, most planting for the season is complete. Rain late in the week slowed fieldwork progress, but with hot and humid temperatures around the corner, crops are expected to accelerate in growth.

Small grains are in mostly good condition. **Barley** was rated 1 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 55 percent good, and 13 percent excellent. **Winter wheat** was rated 1 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 56 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Fruits, including **peaches** and **apples**, were rated in mostly good condition as well.

Pasture was rated 2 percent very poor, 13 percent poor, 38 percent fair, 43 percent good, and 4 percent excellent while **hay supplies** were rated 7 percent very short, 13 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus.

MARYLAND'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 11, 2006 (PERCENT)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average 2001-2005
Small Grain Development:				
Barley Turned	84	65	88	89
Winter Wheat Headed	99	99	100	100
Planting Progress:				
Cantaloups	84	76	80	82
Cucumbers	60	44	58	51
Lima Beans (Processed)	53	45	43	45
Snap Beans	62	45	63	58
Sweet Corn	86	82	82	84
Tomatoes	88	83	83	87
Watermelons	88	61	82	79
Corn: Emerged	96	94	96	94
Soybeans: Planted	70	58	62	57
Emerged	50	35	41	40
Alfalfa Hay 1 st Cutting	88	87	83	77
2 nd Cutting	11	3	6	10
Other Hay 1 st Cutting	82	81	73	67
Strawberries Harvested	69	50	59	69
Green Peas Harvested	40	26	28	41

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 11, 2006 (PERCENT)

Condition	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil Moisture	18	37	44	1
Topsoil (2005)	-	9	77	14
Five Year Average	1	8	66	25
Subsoil Moisture	13	38	49	-
Subsoil (2005)	-	7	78	15
Five Year Average	4	13	64	19

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 11, 2006

Weather Station	Precipitation			Temperatures			
	Total this week	Total Since Jan 1	Departure from Normal Since Jan 1	High	Low	Average	Departure from Normal
Maryland							
Baltimore/Washington Airport	0.34	12.01	-5.74	85	49	68	-4
Easton	0.53	13.56	-3.78	83	49	66	-1
Frederick	0.10	16.07	-4.76	76	43	59	-4
Frostburg	0.08	9.01	-7.92	84	48	67	-3
Hagerstown	0.10	10.44	-9.44	82	49	66	-5
Mechanicsville	0.09	9.18	-8.75	83	57	70	-1
Patuxent River	0.70	9.87	-9.86	77	51	66	-5
Ocean City	0.70	11.78	-7.64	81	39	65	-6
Salisbury	0.41	13.21	-4.13	83	41	65	-3
Sharpsburg	0.20	11.89	-6.47	80	51	68	-4
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.19	11.31	-4.93	85	54	70	-4
Delaware							
Dover	0.49	11.36	-7.41	77	50	66	-6
Georgetown	0.26	10.72	-8.50	81	51	67	-3
Wilmington	0.54	15.09	-2.79	78	51	65	-5

Weather Data is provided by the Agricultural Weather Information Service, Auburn, Alabama and is considered preliminary.