



MD-CW2607



September 17, 2007

Maryland

Weekly Crop and Weather Report

Rain was sparse in Maryland This Week

Unlike last week, when no rain was recorded, all weather stations reported rain this week. **There were 6.3 days suitable for field work.** **Corn** was rated 32 percent very poor, 19 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 23 percent good and 5 percent excellent while **soybeans** were rated 20 percent very poor, 34 percent poor, 19 percent fair, 25 percent good and 2 percent excellent. Fourth cutting of **alfalfa hay** is 75 percent complete compared to 44 percent in 2006.

Corn harvest is underway and 72 percent of the crop is mature. **Soybeans** condition has benefitted from the rains.

Apples were rated 2 percent poor, 13 percent fair, and 85 percent good. **Apples** are 65 percent harvested.

Pasture was rated 21 percent very poor, 37 percent poor, 26 percent fair, 15 percent good, and 1 percent excellent while **hay supplies** were rated 36 percent very short, 40 percent short, 21 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

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

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Five Year Average
<i>Percent</i>				
<u>Field Crops</u>				
Corn Dent	96	90	96	87
 Mature	72	54	76	62
Harvested for Grain	21	13	15	14
Soybeans Turning Color	52	24	47	38
 Dropping Leaves	19	6	20	17
<u>Hay</u>				
Alfalfa Hay 4th Cutting	75	50	44	44
Other Hay 3rd Cutting	55	50	70	69
 4th Cutting	7	6	7	7
<u>Vegetables Harvested</u>				
Cucumbers	92	90	91	90
Lima Beans	64	60	80	67
Potatoes	99	99	91	95
<u>Fruits Harvested</u>				
Apples	65	58	64	49

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	30	32	-	31	29	-
Short	44	42	-	45	42	-
Adequate	26	26	-	24	29	-
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.

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