



Maryland

Weekly Crop and Weather Report



MD-CW3307

November 5, 2007

Grain Harvest Nearing Completion

Maryland farmers had 5.7 days suitable for field work for the week ending November 4, 2007. No rain recorded in Maryland last week and are still 3 to 14 inches below normal.

Corn harvest is winding down and **Soybean** harvest is progressing well. **Corn** harvested for grain is 92 percent and **Soybeans** harvested is 57 percent.

Small grain planting is going well. Small grains are emerging nicely even those fields planted in dry weather. **Barley** is 92 percent planted and **Winter Wheat** is 82 percent planted. **Winter Wheat** emerged is 55 percent. **Barley** condition 3% very poor, 6% poor, 44% fair, 46% good, 1% excellent. **Winter Wheat** condition, 2% very poor, 7% poor, 32% fair, 55% good, 4% excellent

Pastures are rated 18 percent very poor, 37 percent poor, 31 percent fair, 12 percent good and 2 percent excellent. Fourth cutting of **Alfalfa Hay** is 96 percent complete and a fifth cutting is 31 percent complete. **Hay supplies** were rated 35 percent very short, 46 percent short, 16 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

MARYLAND'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 4, 2007

| Item | This Week | Last Week | Last Year | Five Year Average |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|
| <i>Percent</i> | | | | |
| Field Crops | | | | |
| Corn Harvested for grain | 92 | 85 | 92 | 90 |
| Soybeans Dropping Leaves | 95 | 94 | 97 | 96 |
| Soybeans Harvested | 57 | 48 | 54 | 48 |
| Barley Planted | 92 | 84 | 92 | 93 |
| Winter Wheat Planted | 82 | 74 | 65 | 68 |
| Winter Wheat Emerged | 55 | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| Hay | | | | |
| Alfalfa Hay 4th Cutting | 96 | 91 | 95 | 89 |
| Alfalfa Hay 5th Cutting | 31 | 29 | 60 | 35 |
| Other Hay 4th Cutting | 67 | 62 | 66 | 77 |

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 4, 2007

| Condition by Percent | Topsoil Moisture | | | Subsoil Moisture | | |
|----------------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|
| | This Week | Last Week | 5 Year Average | This Week | Last Week | 5 Year Average |
| Very Short | 1 | 3 | - | 18 | 26 | - |
| Short | 33 | 36 | - | 41 | 35 | - |
| Adequate | 62 | 56 | - | 40 | 37 | - |
| Surplus | 4 | 5 | - | 1 | 2 | - |

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 28, 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 | 0.00 | 29.28 | -5.15 | 73 | 34 | 51 | 0 |
| Frederick | 0.00 | 30.31 | -3.17 | 69 | 32 | 48 | 2 |
| Frostburg | 0.00 | 35.65 | -4.18 | 68 | 27 | 43 | -2 |
| Hagerstown | 0.00 | 23.34 | -9.58 | 65 | 32 | 48 | -2 |
| Mechanicsville | 0.00 | 28.08 | -10.22 | 71 | 34 | 49 | -3 |
| Patuxent River | 0.00 | 25.94 | -10.07 | 71 | 37 | 55 | 2 |
| Ocean City | 0.01 | 26.31 | -12.00 | 73 | 34 | 53 | 1 |
| Salisbury | 0.00 | 24.92 | -14.02 | 71 | 27 | 49 | -4 |
| Sharpsburg | 0.00 | 28.95 | -4.53 | 69 | 29 | 46 | -2 |
| Stevensville | 0.00 | 29.82 | -5.89 | 70 | 35 | 52 | -1 |
| Washington, DC (Reagan National) | 0.00 | 28.28 | -4.51 | 74 | 41 | 55 | 2 |
| Delaware | | | | | | | |
| Dover | 0.00 | 30.45 | -7.40 | 70 | 37 | 52 | -2 |
| Georgetown | 0.01 | 27.22 | -10.37 | 72 | 34 | 52 | 1 |
| Wilmington | 0.00 | 35.23 | 0.74 | 71 | 33 | 51 | 0 |

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

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