



Crop Weather



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OHIO CROP WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the State was 65.7 degrees, 5.0 degrees below normal for the week ending Sunday, June 22, 2008. Precipitation averaged 0.66 inches, 0.31 inches below normal. There were 99 modified growing degree days, 44 days below normal.

Reporters rated 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven-day period ending Friday, June 20, 2008. Topsoil moisture was rated 0 percent very short, 3 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 19 percent surplus.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork

	Current Week	Previous Week	Since 1st week of April
	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>
2008	5.0	3.6	38.9
2007	6.3	6.7	58.1
2003-07 Avg.	4.6	4.2	47.6

Topsoil Moisture

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Current Week	0	3	78	19
Last Week.....	0	2	62	36
Same Week				
Last Year	37	41	22	0
2003-07				
Average	10	19	39	32

FIELD ACTIVITIES AND CROP PROGRESS WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JUNE 22, 2008

Farm activities for the week included replanting patches of non-emerged soybeans, sidedressing corn, mowing roadsides, spraying fertilizer and insecticides, and cutting hay. Reporters throughout the state have observed army worms in wheat fields. Spraying wheat fields for army worms continues. Northwest district reporters have observed the following pests in crop fields: army worms which have moved into corn fields from wheat fields, head scab in wheat fields, common rust in wheat fields, and aphids in soybean fields. The strawberry harvest continues in the Southeast district, however the season is winding down for most

producers. Early planted sweet corn is in full tassle. The harvest continues for summer squash, cabbage, snap and sugar peas, snap beans, broccoli, cauliflower, sweet onions, bunching onions, and lettuce.

As of Sunday June 22 **winter wheat** turning color was 75 percent, compared to 96 percent last year and 76 percent for the five-year average (2003-2007). Winter wheat ripe was 2 percent, down 17 points from last year and 4 points below the five-year average. **Oats** headed were at 67 percent, which was five days behind last year and two days behind the five-year average. Oats ripe were at 1 percent, which was identical to both last year and the five-year average. Seventy-nine percent of the **cucumber** acreage was planted, compared to 81 percent last year and 67 percent for the five-year average. **Strawberries** harvested were at 71 percent, compared to 81 percent last year and 76 percent for the five-year average.

The first cutting of **alfalfa hay** was reported at 89 percent, compared to 100 percent last year and 77 percent for the five-year average. The alfalfa hay second cutting was reported at 6 percent, 19 percentage points behind last year and 3 percentage points behind the five-year average. Seventy-seven percent of the **other hay** first cutting was complete, compared to 99 percent last year and 68 percent for the five-year average. The second cutting of other hay was reported at 1 percent, compared to 13 percent last year and 4 percent for the five-year average.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Corn condition was rated at 76 percent in fair-to-good condition, up 2 percentage point from last week. **Hay** condition was rated at 75 percent in fair-to-good condition, up 3 percentage points from last week. Eighty-three percent of the **livestock** were in fair-to-good condition, down 1 percentage point from last week. **Oats** condition was rated at 79 percent in fair-to-good condition, compared to 77 percent last week. **Pasture** condition was rated at 79 percent in fair-to-good condition, up 5 percentage points from last week. **Soybeans** condition was rated at 78 percent in fair-to-good condition, unchanged from last week. **Strawberries** were rated 76 percent in fair-to-good condition, up from 73 percent last week. Seventy-three percent of the **winter wheat** acreage was rated in fair-to-good condition, unchanged from last week.

PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JUNE 22

Crop	2008	2007	2003-2007 Average	Previous Week	
				Ohio	U.S.
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Alfalfa Hay 1st Cutting	89	100	77	76	NA
Alfalfa Hay 2nd Cutting	6	25	9	1	NA
Cucumbers Planted	79	81	67	68	NA
Oats Headed	67	87	73	43	38
Oats Ripe	1	1	1	NA	NA
Other Hay 1st Cutting	77	99	68	59	NA
Other Hay 2nd Cutting	1	13	4	NA	NA
Strawberries Harvested	71	81	76	NA	NA
Winter Wheat Turning Color	75	96	76	55	NA
Winter Wheat Ripe	2	19	6	25	NA

PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 22

		Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CORN	Current Week.....	3	8	31	45	13
	Previous Week.....	3	8	28	46	15
	Previous Year.....	5	13	30	41	11
HAY	Current Week.....	2	7	27	48	16
	Previous Week.....	3	10	30	42	15
	Previous Year.....	12	24	36	24	4
LIVESTOCK	Current Week.....	0	1	18	65	16
	Previous Week.....	0	3	20	64	13
	Previous Year.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
OATS	Current Week.....	0	8	22	57	13
	Previous Week.....	8	3	20	57	12
	Previous Year.....	2	13	32	48	5
PASTURE	Current Week.....	0	4	25	54	17
	Previous Week.....	1	7	26	48	18
	Previous Year.....	15	25	33	25	2
SOYBEANS	Current Week.....	3	9	31	47	10
	Previous Week.....	4	7	30	48	11
	Previous Year.....	5	14	34	39	8
STRAWBERRIES	Current Week.....	0	3	24	52	21
	Previous Week.....	0	3	26	47	24
	Previous Year.....	5	10	42	39	4
WINTER WHEAT	Current Week.....	1	4	19	54	22
	Previous Week.....	1	4	19	54	22
	Previous Year.....	5	17	40	34	4

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JUNE 22

Region	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days ¹			
	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.
	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>
Northwest	64.7	-6.0	0.88	0.10	10.39	0.75	90	-52	937	-9
North Central	64.4	-5.8	0.85	-0.06	10.92	1.02	88	-51	934	20
Northeast	63.5	-4.9	0.91	-0.07	9.03	-1.03	83	-47	896	29
West Central	66.1	-5.2	0.54	-0.32	12.99	2.33	100	-46	995	-8
Central	66.7	-4.6	0.47	-0.57	12.42	1.71	101	-46	1,048	23
Central Hills	64.3	-5.3	0.57	-0.43	10.84	0.22	87	-50	948	15
Northeast Hills	64.1	-5.6	0.69	-0.37	9.32	-1.10	88	-49	947	-6
Southwest	67.5	-4.5	0.42	-0.68	14.08	2.26	107	-45	1,067	-11
South Central	67.7	-4.2	0.71	-0.24	13.83	3.37	126	-25	1,127	10
Southeast	66.5	-4.2	0.59	-0.40	11.86	1.37	110	-34	1,059	25
STATE	65.7	-5.0	0.66	-0.31	11.69	1.20	99	-44	1,003	9

¹ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86

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