



# Crop Progress and Condition

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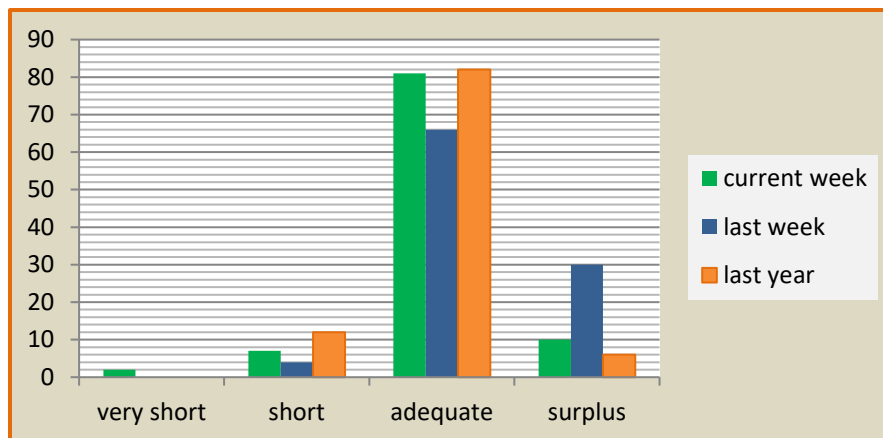
**Agricultural News:** Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.1. Weather conditions were rainy and windy. Farming activities this week included calving and lambing.

## SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 04/02/23

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	2	7	81	10
Subsoil	2	6	89	3
Hay & Roughage	1	14	82	3
Feed grain	-	7	91	2

-Represents zero.

## TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 04/02/23



## CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 04/02/23

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	8	52	40	-
Peaches	-	9	54	37	-
Hay	6	4	42	22	26
Winter Wheat	-	-	45	49	6
Pasture	3	4	44	47	2
Cattle & Calves	-	1	39	57	3
Sheep & Lambs	-	-	35	61	4

- Represents zero.

## CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 04/02/23

Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	2	-	-	-
Soybeans planted	3	-	-	-
Winter Wheat headed	5	-	-	-
Cows calved	70	60	64	69
Ewes lambed	72	61	69	72

- Represents data not available.

**Weather Summary-** For the week ending April 2, 2023

West Virginia began the week as an area of low-pressure crossed over the region. The instability brought some light showers, especially in the southernmost counties. Temperatures were very close to normal. Another weak low-pressure system moved over the State on Tuesday producing clouds, light rain, and below normal temperatures. High pressure arrived for Wednesday and Thursday, bringing clear conditions and warming temperatures. Rain ahead of the next cold front began early Friday morning and spread from west to east through the day. The rain continued through the day as the front slowly approached. Most stations received between 3/4 and 1 1/2 inches of rain. Lingering precipitation remained until Saturday morning when the first cold front crossed over West Virginia. Once the front passed, cool and sunny conditions dominated the State. Later Saturday, another stronger cold front moved over West Virginia with light precipitation and strong winds. The breezy winds lasted into early evening. Under mostly clear conditions, temperatures again dropped on Sunday after the front. At the end of the week most stations were one to two degrees below normal, with a few stations just over average. Most locations met or exceeded average precipitation, but there were some dry spots in the northwest and Eastern Panhandle.

**Temperatures:** Martinsburg and Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 77 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 23 degrees. The state average temperature was 47 degrees.

**Precipitation:** Charleston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.68 inches. Martinsburg had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.19 inches. The state average precipitation was 1.03 inches.

**WV drought conditions:** Currently there are no drought conditions.

**Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 04/02/23**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Weekly Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2022	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
<b>--NORTHWEST</b>										
WHEELING	67	27	45	-1	0.51	0.87	40.53	0.20	42.52	
PARKERSBURG	70	29	47	-2	1.11	0.82	44.49	0.14	43.20	
CRESTON	70	30	48		0.82		38.82	0.13		
<b>--NORTHCENTRAL</b>										
MORGANTOWN	70	30	47	-1	0.67	0.85	45.19	0.15	43.87	
CLARKSBURG	73	30	48	2	0.67	0.85	45.26	0.15	45.58	
BELINGTON	71	29	46		1.10		49.65	0.47		
WESTON	73	29	47		1.66		52.99	0.24		
<b>--SOUTHWEST</b>										
WILLIAMSON	77	31	52		1.33		50.78	0.07		
HUNTINGTON	73	30	49	-2	1.59	0.86	43.67	0.05	45.84	
CHARLESTON	76	30	50	-1	1.68	0.95	48.27	0.12	48.95	
RIPLEY	70	30	49		1.11		47.41	0.08		
<b>--CENTRAL</b>										
TERRA ALTA	63	23	44		1.57		49.52	0.03		
ELKINS	70	26	44	-2	1.36	0.91	55.79	0.34	47.99	
MARLINTON	68	28	45		1.31		48.97	0.80		
<b>--SOUTHERN</b>										
BECKLEY	71	26	45	-3	0.92	0.87	48.69	0.27	44.28	
PINEVILLE	75	28	49		1.12		50.57	0.15		
BLUEFIELD	71	26	48	1	1.22	0.82	54.02	0.51	41.95	
WHITE SUL SP	70	30	46		1.09		49.71	0.01		
BLUESTONE DAM	71	30	48		0.82		42.28	0.10		
<b>--NORTHEASTERN</b>										
MARTINSBURG	77	29	49	1	0.19	0.77	38.02	0.23	39.64	
KEYSER	76	27	47		0.45		33.72	0.55		
MOOREFIELD	76	26	48		0.31		34.66	0.05		
State Average Temperature	47									
State Average Precipitation	1.03									

Source: Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.