



Crop Progress and Condition

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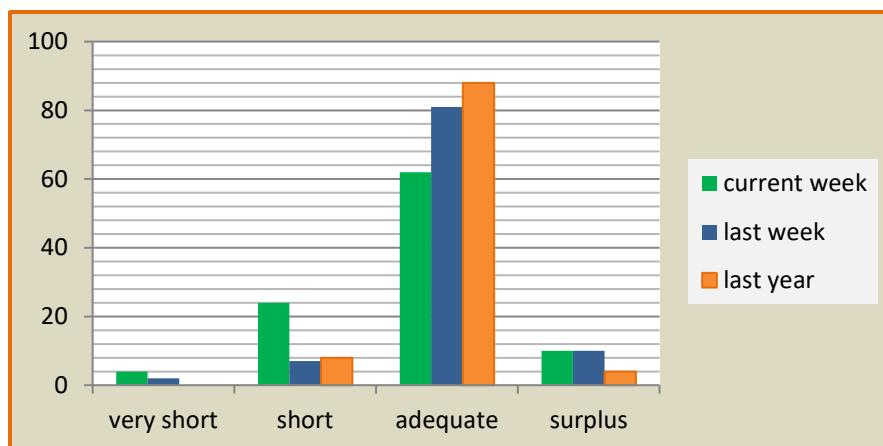
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.0. Weather conditions were mostly warm, with cold overnight temperatures. Farming activities this week included working in the fields and watching for frost on fruit blossoms.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 04/09/23

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	4	24	62	10
Subsoil	8	18	61	13
Hay & Roughage	4	18	75	3
Feed grain	-	21	78	1

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 04/09/23



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 04/09/23

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	8	51	41	-
Peaches	-	9	54	37	-
Hay	6	3	37	30	24
Winter Wheat	-	-	45	49	6
Pasture	2	4	32	52	10
Cattle & Calves	-	3	36	52	9
Sheep & Lambs	-	2	36	53	9

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 04/09/23

Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	6	2	2	1
Soybeans planted	7	3	-	-
Winter Wheat headed	14	5	3	2
Cows calved	78	70	71	76
Ewes lambed	80	72	75	79

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending April 9, 2023

The week begins with West Virginia under high pressure. On Monday, a low-pressure system passed to the north of the State. As the low pressure passed, the State remained in the warm sector, with a warm front crossing over around midday. Temperatures were just above normal, and most locations were dry. Tuesday was warm and dry under high pressure. Wednesday began warm and dry ahead of the next cold front. The strong front crossed over from west to east in the afternoon/evening, but only brought limited precipitation and breezy winds. Temperatures dropped to below normal after the cold front, and some lingering showers remained in the southern coalfields and Eastern Panhandle for Thursday. Friday was cool and clear for most locations, but precipitation remained in the southeastern most counties as the front slowly drifted off to the east. High pressure took hold again over the weekend with warm afternoons and chilly mornings. Temperatures dropped enough to create some frost over the weekend as well. Overall, the week was dry and somewhat warm even though overnight temperatures dropped to below freezing. All temperatures were from normal to eight degrees above average.

Temperatures: Clarksburg, Williamson, Charleston, and Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 89 degrees. Beckley and Moorefield had the lowest recorded temperature of 22 degrees. The state average temperature was 53 degrees.

Precipitation: Bluestone Dam had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.76 inches. Martinsburg had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.23 inches.

WV drought conditions: Abnormally dry conditions exist in the Eastern Panhandle.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 04/09/23

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Weekly Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2023	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	85	30	52	4	0.07	0.79	0.58	1.47	0.79	
PARKERSBURG	86	29	54	3	0.06	0.79	1.17	1.51	0.79	
CRESTON	87	27	54		0.03		0.81	1.81		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	86	31	54	4	0.04	0.89	0.66	1.87	0.89	
CLARKSBURG	89	32	57	8	0.04	0.89	0.71	1.72	0.89	
BELINGTON	87	27	52		0.04		1.14	1.99		
WESTON	87	28	53		0.04		1.67	1.99		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	89	30	57		0.17		1.48	1.22		
HUNTINGTON	88	34	55	1	0.48	0.83	2.07	1.43	0.83	
CHARLESTON	89	29	55	1	0.06	0.89	1.67	1.35	0.89	
RIPLEY	87	32	55		0.06		1.17	1.35		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	77	24	48		0.27		1.82	1.76		
ELKINS	86	24	51	3	0.03	0.91	1.39	1.69	0.91	
MARLINTON	77	26	51		0.35		1.66	2.65		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	83	22	49	0	0.47	0.81	1.39	1.36	0.81	
PINEVILLE	87	27	53		0.45		1.57	1.72		
BLUEFIELD	83	27	53	4	0.74	0.79	1.92	2.12	0.79	
WHITE SUL SP	82	25	50		0.57		1.66	1.71		
BLUESTONE DAM	83	30	53		0.76		1.58	1.43		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	86	28	54	3	0.00	0.71	0.18	1.70	0.71	
KEYSER	89	25	52		0.17		0.59	2.21		
MOOREFIELD	88	22	53		0.18		0.45	1.06		
State Average Temperature	53									
State Average Precipitation	0.23									

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