



Crop Progress and Condition

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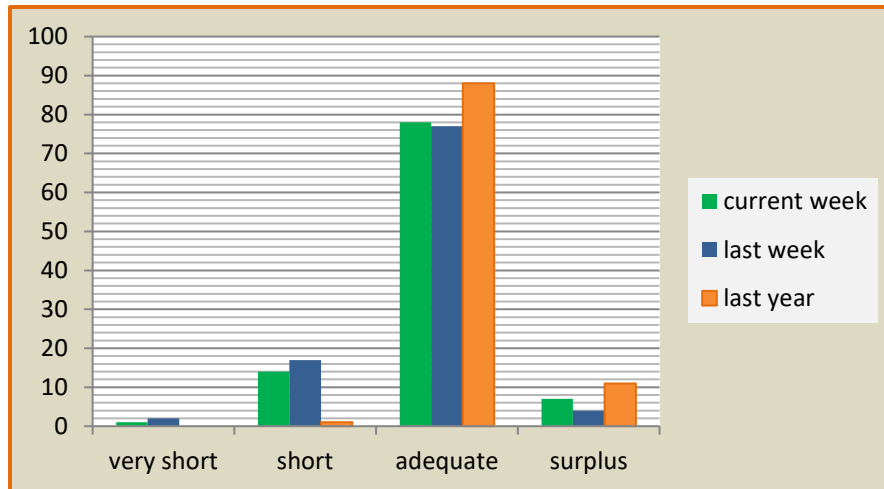
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.4. Weather conditions were mostly warm with some rain. Farming activities this week included planting crops and making hay.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 05/14/23

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	14	78	7
Subsoil	2	14	82	2
Hay & Roughage	-	15	83	2
Feed grain	-	8	92	-

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 05/14/23



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 05/14/23

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	9	46	45	-
Peaches	-	9	54	37	-
Hay	2	4	39	54	1
Winter Wheat	-	-	45	55	-
Pasture	-	6	34	56	4
Cattle & Calves	-	4	35	53	8
Sheep & Lambs	-	7	29	57	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 05/14/23

Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	32	26	29	30
Corn emerged	11	8	14	11
Soybeans planted	36	30	22	21
Soybeans emerged	8	3	6	4
Winter Wheat headed	58	48	54	35

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending May 14, 2023

This week, a few showers in the northernmost counties and Eastern Panhandle remained from the disturbance that had crossed over West Virginia late the previous week. The rest of the State was dry, but with plenty of cloud cover. Temperatures were near normal, with highs in the 70s and lows in the 50s. Some lingering showers continued in the mountains on Tuesday, but clearing began as high pressure moved in. Daytime highs were very similar to the day before, but with clearing clouds the overnight lows were cooler than earlier; dropping into the 40s. High pressure was firmly in place by Wednesday with dry conditions, clear skies, and warm afternoon temperatures. Thursday continued to be dry, but with increasing clouds ahead of the next front. Friday began dry, later a warm front brought rain from south to north. Showers and some thunderstorms continued through Saturday as waves of instability moved over. As the area of low pressure approached West Virginia early on Sunday, the associated cold front swept through, producing some more showers and storms. The whole system began to move off to the northeast on Sunday. The State was warmer than usual this week and somewhat dry. Bluefield and Clarksburg were the only stations to reach or exceed average rainfall. All stations ended about one to five degrees warmer than usual.

Temperatures: Keyser and Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 89 degrees. Weston had the lowest recorded temperature of 36 degrees. The state average temperature was 64 degrees.

Precipitation: Belington had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.85 inches. Marlinton had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.22 inches. The state average precipitation was 0.85 inches.

WV drought conditions: Abnormally dry conditions exist in the northern mountains, Eastern Panhandle, and the southernmost coalfields.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 05/14/23

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	80	43	61	1	0.30	0.94	3.72	6.14	5.13
PARKERSBURG	83	42	64	2	0.57	0.94	4.86	4.80	5.23
CRESTON	85	46	66		1.19		4.77	5.67	
--NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	82	42	62	1	0.96	1.01	4.47	6.11	5.63
CLARKSBURG	82	41	62	1	1.45	0.96	4.97	6.26	5.52
BELINGTON	83	41	63		1.85		6.65	7.23	
WESTON	83	36	63		0.85		6.06	8.37	
--SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	89	51	70		0.99		4.48	5.88	
HUNTINGTON	83	48	67	3	0.51	1.07	5.68	6.48	5.84
CHARLESTON	83	45	66	3	0.57	1.23	4.58	7.23	6.25
RIPLEY	85	46	66		0.57		5.31	7.04	
--CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	75	38	58		1.38		8.27	5.50	
ELKINS	79	39	61	1	1.04	1.22	6.32	6.68	6.22
MARLINTON	83	41	63		0.22		5.60	6.20	
--SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	80	40	61	1	0.35	1.07	4.81	4.99	5.47
PINEVILLE	84	45	66		0.54		4.84	4.51	
BLUEFIELD	82	46	64	5	1.34	1.05	6.14	4.92	5.49
WHITE SUL SP	81	44	63		0.36		5.50	5.25	
BLUESTONE DAM	82	42	66		0.39		4.99	4.86	
--NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	86	43	63	1	0.56	0.93	2.82	7.03	5.04
KEYSER	89	41	63		0.87		5.16	7.50	
MOOREFIELD	85	49	66		1.80		5.10	4.67	
State Average Temperature	64								
State Average Precipitation	0.85								

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