



**Crop Progress and Condition** 

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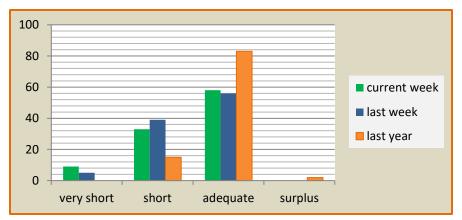
<u>Agricultural News</u>: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.8. Weather conditions were hot with scattered rains. Farming activities this week included making hay and harvesting peaches.

## SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 07/30/23

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	9	33	58	-
Subsoil	10	35	55	-

- Represents zero.

## **TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 07/30/23**



# CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 07/30/23

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	8	9	35	46	2
Peaches	-	9	46	45	-
Corn	1	9	53	33	4
Hay	1	3	39	51	6
Soybeans	4	5	37	43	11
Pasture	2	8	27	57	6
Cattle & Calves	-	5	20	70	5
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	30	65	4

- Represents zero.

# CROP PROGRESS for week ending 07/30/23

Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg	
	%	%	%	%	
Peaches harvested	23	20	37	26	
Corn silking	42	29	30	41	
Corn dough	6	-	-	7	
Hay second cutting	31	19	25	20	
Soybeans emerged	98	93	94	91	
Soybeans blooming	43	33	26	24	
Soybeans setting pods	23	12	4	5	
Winter Wheat harvested for grain	67	56	76	73	

- Represents zero or data not available.

### Weather Summary- For the week ending July 30, 2023

The week began mostly sunny and dry with near normal temperatures. A few showers and thunderstorms developed Monday afternoon during the heat of the day. Humidity levels began to increase early Tuesday and instability began to build into the region, and a few showers developed over the mountains. Most of West Virginia reached above normal high temperatures Tuesday afternoon, but reported somewhat below normal low temperatures heading into Wednesday. Weak high pressure began to move into the area Wednesday keeping the region hot and humid, but limiting thunderstorm activity. However, as temperatures soared into the upper 90s by the end of the work week into the weekend, the likelihood of showers and thunderstorms also increased. Localized heavy downpours resulted in a few areas of the State receiving rainfall amounts ranging from a few hundredths of an inch up to an inch, especially on Saturday as a cold front was draped to the north of West Virginia. In the wake of the front, the second half of the weekend featured cooler temperatures and limited precipitation amounts.

Temperatures: Williamson and Moorefield had the highest recorded temperature of 99 degrees. White Sulphur Springs had the lowest recorded temperature of 54 degrees. The state average temperature was 76 degrees.

Precipitation: Parkersburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.96 inches. Keyser had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.64 inches.

WV drought conditions: Localized areas of northern West Virginia remain in low drought conditions based on low rainfall amounts from the past week.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 07/30/23									
		Те	mperature	e			Precipi	tation	
				eekly		ek's	Since April 1st	Same Week	Season
Station	High	Low	Average	Departure	Total	Norm	2023	Last Year	Normal
NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	89	58	74	1	1.27	0.90	13.18	18.40	15.71
PARKERSBURG	90	62	76	1	1.96	0.94	14.34	17.84	16.31
CRESTON	89	59	74		1.11		12.97	17.78	
NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	91	61	76	2	0.31	1.06	12.00	17.14	16.80
CLARKSBURG	90	61	76	2	1.40	1.05	13.37	17.11	17.69
BELINGTON	88	56	72		0.38		17.84	19.13	
WESTON	90	60	75		1.58		18.57	21.12	
SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	99	64	81		0.37		15.98	22.14	
HUNTINGTON	93	64	80	4	0.24	1.19	13.38	20.51	17.29
CHARLESTON	93	64	77	1	0.89	1.28	13.20	23.06	19.11
RIPLEY	91	62	77		1.06		14.07	21.46	
CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	88	56	73		0.16		15.33	18.21	
ELKINS	91	57	74	3	1.41	1.31	16.38	24.71	19.26
MARLINTON	89	56	72		0.40		14.39	20.52	
SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	88	61	75	4	0.20	1.18	15.98	19.53	17.15
PINEVILLE	95	59	77		0.06		13.93	22.59	
BLUEFIELD	86	58	72	2	0.17	0.98	20.29	23.57	16.39
WHITE SUL SP	89	54	73		0.20		14.52	19.42	
BLUESTONE DAM	86	55	72		0.06		13.24	15.89	
NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	95	60	76	1	0.92	0.89	9.73	16.16	14.70
KEYSER	95	61	80		0.00		12.06	13.95	
MOOREFIELD	99	59	81		0.01		10.91	13.81	

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State Average Temperature State Average Precipitation

76 0.64

Source:

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