



Crop Progress and Condition



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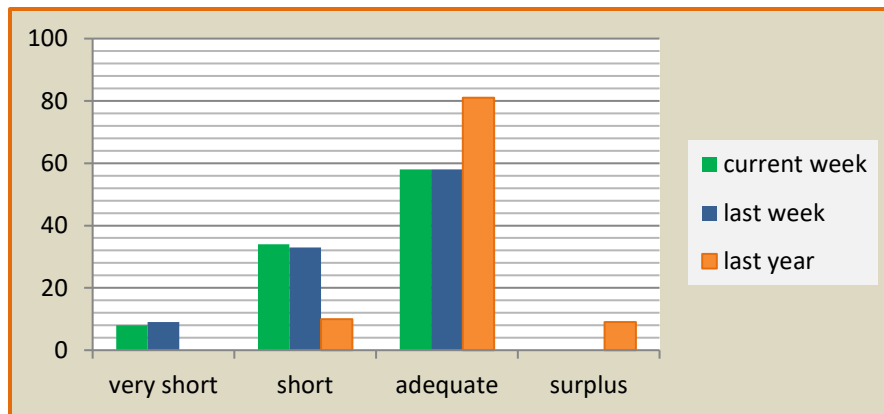
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.5. Weather conditions were mostly warm and dry. Farming activities this week included making hay and harvesting peaches.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/06/23

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	8	34	58	-
Subsoil	8	31	61	-

- Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/06/23



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/06/23

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	8	9	34	47	2
Peaches	-	9	46	45	-
Corn	-	8	53	37	2
Hay	-	4	40	52	4
Soybeans	-	7	43	50	-
Pasture	-	5	26	65	4
Cattle & Calves	-	4	17	74	5
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	29	64	6

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/06/23

Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Peaches harvested	32	23	47	39
Corn silking	55	42	43	54
Corn dough	14	6	5	15
Hay second cutting	40	31	33	29
Soybeans blooming	51	43	34	36
Soybeans setting pods	30	23	8	9
Winter Wheat harvested for grain	78	67	87	83

- Represents zero or data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 6, 2023

The week began cool across West Virginia with highs mostly from the mid-70s to mid-80s and low temperatures in the mid to upper 50s. A stable air mass kept the region dry with low humidity, making for a comfortable day. A few locations experienced morning fog on Monday with hazy conditions through the day due to the ongoing wildfires in Canada. Tuesday continued the dry trend although somewhat warmer than the previous day. Clouds began to develop in the afternoon, and the sky was hazy throughout. On Wednesday, dry and fairly stable conditions kept West Virginia mostly dry. A few showers developed in the pop-up cumulus clouds that formed over the southern counties. Low pressure returned on Thursday, creating showers and some thunderstorms, especially over the southern coalfields. Friday began with widespread fog and low stratus clouds. The fog and clouds mixed out by late morning and were replaced by a partly cloudy afternoon. Temperatures the last half of the work week were well below normal for this time of the year. Saturday was warmer with fog forming early and burning off before noon. A mix of sun and clouds dominated the afternoon and the clouds dissipated overnight into Sunday. Sunday began with a few light showers drifting across the State, with stronger thunderstorms developing in the afternoon. Overnight thunderstorms pushed over the northern half of West Virginia as the next front approached. Overall, the State was cool and dry. Several stations received no rainfall until the last day of the reporting period, and the coalfields generally received the most.

Temperatures: Williamson and Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 93 degrees. Elkins and Martinsburg had the lowest recorded temperature of 50 degrees. The state average temperature was 71 degrees.

Precipitation: Pineville had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.58 inches. Ripley had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.01 inches. The state average precipitation was 0.58 inches.

WV drought conditions: Localized areas in the northern mountains and Eastern Panhandle are abnormally dry.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/06/23

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	87	55	71	-2	0.15	0.75	13.33	20.25	16.46	
PARKERSBURG	87	56	72	-2	0.15	0.86	14.49	20.19	17.17	
CRESTON	88	55	72		0.39		13.36	21.33		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	87	55	73	-1	0.12	0.95	12.12	17.69	17.75	
CLARKSBURG	86	53	71	-3	0.59	0.94	13.96	18.71	18.63	
BELINGTON	91	54	72		0.31		18.15	21.81		
WESTON	85	54	71		1.11		19.68	22.57		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	93	60	76		1.51		17.49	24.40		
HUNTINGTON	92	57	75	-1	0.58	1.02	13.96	21.26	18.31	
CHARLESTON	89	56	73	-2	0.52	1.08	13.72	23.79	20.19	
RIPLEY	90	56	73		0.01		14.08	22.45		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	84	52	69		0.12		15.45	19.14		
ELKINS	83	50	68	-3	0.99	1.10	17.37	27.32	20.36	
MARLINTON	84	52	68		0.28		14.67	21.32		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	84	52	70	-1	0.97	1.08	16.95	20.54	18.23	
PINEVILLE	87	56	73		1.58		15.51	24.15		
BLUEFIELD	82	54	69	-1	0.89	0.89	21.18	26.23	17.28	
WHITE SUL SP	84	51	68		0.62		15.14	20.68		
BLUESTONE DAM	83	55	69		0.99		14.23	17.04		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	88	50	72	-4	0.17	0.80	9.90	17.21	15.50	
KEYSER	93	51	72		0.52		12.58	14.17		
MOOREFIELD	91	53	72		0.09		11.00	14.70		
State Average Temperature	71									
State Average Precipitation	0.58									

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