



Crop Progress and Condition

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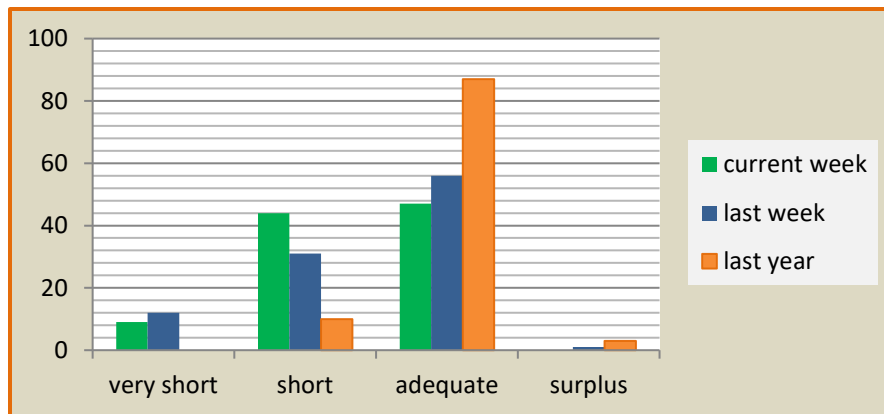
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.2. Weather conditions were mostly warm and wet. Some rain showers were heavy at times. Farming activities this week included harvesting fruit and making hay.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/27/23

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	9	44	47	-
Subsoil	11	47	42	-

- Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/27/23



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/27/23

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	9	9	40	42	-
Corn	-	8	53	39	-
Hay	-	6	47	45	2
Soybeans	-	3	43	54	-
Pasture	-	11	30	53	6
Cattle & Calves	-	6	21	67	6
Sheep & Lambs	-	2	30	64	4

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/27/23

Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	27	17	14	22
Peaches harvested	75	60	72	71
Corn silking	87	79	77	85
Corn dough	50	42	34	47
Corn dented	29	13	7	18
Hay second cutting	69	60	59	61
Soybeans blooming	80	67	66	79
Soybeans setting pods	49	43	38	39
Soybeans dropping leaves	4	-	-	-

- Represents zero or data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 27, 2023

West Virginia began the week hot and dry under high pressure. Mostly sunny to partly cloudy skies, haze from ongoing wildfires in Canada, and low humidity dominated the weather on Monday. Afternoon high temperatures reached the 80s and 90s. A dry cold front dropped south through the State early in the morning on Tuesday, keeping the high temperatures cooler than the day before. Again, most of the region was mostly sunny with no precipitation. Wednesday began with early morning fog for most locations, but it burned off soon after sunrise. Rain showers and a few thunderstorms drifted across the northernmost counties. Overnight showers and storms developed heading into Thursday as a zone of instability sank southeastward from Ohio into West Virginia. Localized heavy downpours occurred throughout West Virginia. Very warm temperatures occurred on both Wednesday and Thursday as highs reached the 80s and 90s for most locations, and the lows only dropped into the 60s and 70s. More showers and storms developed over Ohio early Friday morning and drifted southeastward. The early showers and cloud cover kept the region from reaching extreme high temps. A weak cold front dropped through West Virginia late Friday and kept low clouds over the area until late Saturday morning. Most of the area was partly sunny through the day. Sunday began foggy, but cleared to become partly cloudy to mostly sunny under high pressure. Overall, temperatures were one to four degrees above average and most of the State was wetter than usual.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 95 degrees. Keyser had the lowest recorded temperature of 50 degrees. The state average temperature was 74 degrees.

Precipitation: Creston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.06 inches. Martinsburg had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.15 inches. The state average precipitation was 1.13 inches.

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

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/27/23

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	57	72	2	1.55	0.71	17.14	22.40	18.58	
PARKERSBURG	89	60	74	1	1.90	0.73	21.68	21.77	19.42	
CRESTON	88	60	74		2.06		18.35	24.43		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	88	58	74	2	1.61	0.77	16.98	21.90	20.18	
CLARKSBURG	86	56	73	2	1.26	0.78	18.36	23.83	21.02	
BELINGTON	90	57	74		1.26		21.75	25.91		
WESTON	87	58	74		1.34		24.09	26.79		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	95	64	79		1.79		20.47	26.75		
HUNTINGTON	93	64	78	4	0.38	0.83	17.01	23.58	20.94	
CHARLESTON	90	62	76	2	1.42	0.75	16.44	27.66	22.59	
RIPLEY	91	64	76		1.78		17.73	25.25		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	86	55	72		1.72		19.65	22.03		
ELKINS	85	51	72	3	1.24	0.77	19.93	31.72	22.91	
MARLINTON	85	55	72		0.65		16.27	26.53		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	85	60	73	3	0.27	0.72	18.67	23.44	20.64	
PINEVILLE	90	61	75		0.50		16.67	26.61		
BLUEFIELD	82	60	72	4	1.72	0.62	23.94	27.81	19.31	
WHITE SUL SP	86	54	72		0.86		16.68	24.63		
BLUESTONE DAM	85	58	72		0.31		15.69	19.26		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	94	55	74	2	0.15	0.67	12.25	18.57	17.46	
KEYSER	92	50	75		0.81		14.31	14.95		
MOOREFIELD	94	52	76		0.26		11.99	17.31		
State Average Temperature	74									
State Average Precipitation	1.13									

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