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Crop Progress and Condition



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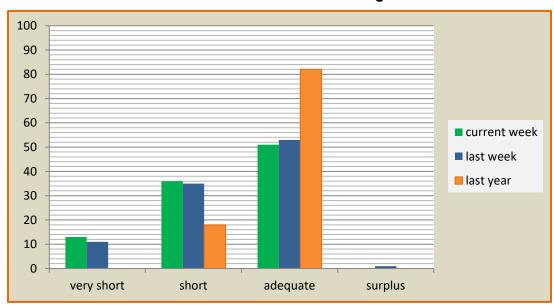
<u>Agricultural News</u>: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.6. Weather conditions were mostly cool and dry, some areas had snow. There was a killing freeze. Farming activities this week included making hay and harvesting corn and soybeans.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/05/23

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	13	36	51	-
Subsoil	13	37	50	-

⁻ Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/05/23



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 11/05/23

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	%	%	%	%	%	
Corn	-	13	37	50	-	
Soybeans	-	4	42	54	-	
Cattle & Calves	-	5	28	60	7	
Sheep & Lambs	-	-	36	61	3	

⁻ Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 11/05/23

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg	
	%	%	%	%	
Apples harvested	92	88	95	95	
Corn mature	95	83	80	91	
Corn harvested for grain	47	34	42	54	
Hay third cutting	91	83	84	87	
Soybeans harvested	51	39	32	41	
Winter Wheat planted	88	79	98	76	
Winter Wheat emerged	46	41	68	50	

⁻ Represents zero or data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending November 5, 2023

The week began just as a strong cold front was moving across West Virginia. Rain showers ahead of and along with the front continued through Monday. Temperatures also dropped throughout the day on Monday as the cold air pushed in. Overnight into Tuesday the rain showers turned into snow showers across the northern mountains with some locations receiving over one inch of snow. Cold conditions and clearing skies followed on Tuesday as high pressure pushed into the region. Temperatures bottomed out on Wednesday with all stations dropping into the 20s, and some locations falling into the teens. At this time, West Virginia was 10 to 15 degrees colder than normal. Thursday was clear and cold under high pressure with afternoon temperatures reaching closer to average. The warming trend continued Friday with clear skies and plenty of sunshine under high pressure. The high pressure continued through the weekend, creating pleasant conditions with near normal temperatures and no precipitation. Overall, West Virginia was cool and dry with several locations receiving the first snowfall of the season.

<u>Temperatures</u>: Moorefield had the highest recorded temperature of 73 degrees. Marlinton and White Sulphur Springs had the lowest recorded temperature of 14 degrees. The state average temperature was 42 degrees.

<u>Precipitation</u>: Morgantown had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.62 inches. Martinsburg and Moorefield had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.21 inches.

<u>WV drought conditions</u>: Abnormally dry (D0) with sections of moderate drought (D1) along the Ohio River, mountains, and Eastern Panhandle.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 11/05/23

	Temperature			Precipitation					
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Station	High	Low	Average	Departure	Total	Norm	2023	Last Year	Normal
NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	61	27	44	-4	0.17	0.62	21.02	28.23	25.90
PARKERSBURG	64	23	43	-6	0.31	0.66	26.84	27.94	26.45
CRESTON	64	21	43		0.34		23.19	26.91	
NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	64	24	44	-5	0.62	0.69	21.94	29.63	27.60
CLARKSBURG	64	22	42	-5	0.25	0.71	25.26	30.13	28.52
BELINGTON	65	21	42		0.12		27.83	33.26	
WESTON	64	23	42		0.44		31.39	34.85	
SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	72	25	47		0.34		25.43	32.24	
HUNTINGTON	68	25	46	-6	0.18	0.66	20.41	26.89	28.06
CHARLESTON	66	23	43	-8	0.35	0.71	20.04	32.51	30.12
RIPLEY	68	24	44		0.34		22.13	31.95	
CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	63	16	40		0.39		27.17	29.67	
ELKINS	67	17	41	-6	0.29	0.66	27.60	38.37	30.38
MARLINTON	69	14	41		0.10		21.41	33.25	
SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	63	17	40	-8	0.28	0.63	27.81	31.58	27.39
PINEVILLE	66	20	43		0.02		21.15	33.80	
BLUEFIELD	64	18	41	-7	0.01	0.59	27.11	36.85	26.11
WHITE SUL SP	67	14	40		0.02		20.43	34.04	
BLUESTONE DAM	67	23	42		0.03		19.15	27.49	
NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	66	22	43	-6	0.00	0.61	17.47	24.54	25.31
KEYSER	70	20	42		0.04		20.40	20.87	
MOOREFIELD	73	15	43		0.00		16.93	24.41	

State Average Temperature 42 State Average Precipitation 0.21

Source:

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