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Crop Progress and Condition



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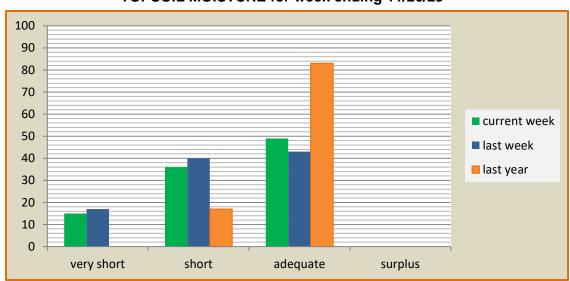
<u>Agricultural News</u>: This is the last weekly West Virginia Crop Weather Bulletin of the year. Monthly reports will be published during the winter months. We would like to thank the West Virginia University County Extension offices, USDA Farm Service Agency offices, and the National Weather Service for their valuable help in providing the information that makes this publication possible. Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.6. Weather conditions were mostly cool with rain. Farming activities this week included harvesting corn and soybeans.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/26/23

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	15	36	49	-
Subsoil	12	38	50	-

⁻ Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/26/23



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 11/26/23

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Winter Wheat	-	9	46	44	1
Cattle & Calves	-	5	27	62	6
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	33	62	4

⁻ Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 11/26/23

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn harvested for grain	81	66	76	81
Soybeans harvested	86	71	63	68
Winter Wheat emerged	75	66	90	74

⁻ Represents zero or data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending November 26, 2023

Monday began cloudy, but dry with temperatures just above normal. Windy conditions began in the afternoon and continued through the night. Tuesday began breezy and cloudy as a large disturbance approached from the west. Windy rain showers began in the late morning along the Ohio River and continued from west to east all day Tuesday into Wednesday, where dropping temperatures allowed for a wintry mix over the highest elevations. Much needed precipitation fell across West Virginia with 24-hour totals measuring from around one third of an inch to over two inches. Cloudy and cool conditions with light rain showers, especially over the eastern mountains, continued into Wednesday afternoon as cooler air moved in from the west. West Virginia quickly cleared on Thursday under high pressure. Morning temperatures were cold, dropping into the upper 20s and low 30s, with afternoon highs in the upper 40s to low 50s. Clear and cool conditions lasted from the end of the work week through most of the weekend. Temperatures began warming again on Sunday, ahead of another cold front approaching from the west. Showers associated with this front began Sunday afternoon and continued into early Monday. Overall, West Virginia was cooler than normal during the week with above average precipitation for most locations.

<u>Temperatures</u>: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 63 degrees. Keyser and Moorefield had the lowest recorded temperature of 21 degrees. The state average temperature was 40 degrees.

<u>Precipitation</u>: Martinsburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.27 inches. Creston had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.62 inches. The state average precipitation was 1.28 inches.

<u>WV drought conditions</u>: Abnormally dry (D0) or moderate drought (D1) along the Ohio River, southern coalfields, mountains, and Eastern Panhandle. Jefferson, Pendleton, and Hardy Counties in the eastern mountains have portions of severe drought (D2) in the counties.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 11/26/23

	Temperature				Precipitation				
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Station	High	Low	Average	Departure	Total	Norm	2023	Last Year	Normal
NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	51	25	39	-2	0.97	0.73	23.10	31.42	27.93
PARKERSBURG	53	27	41	-1	1.02	0.71	29.01	31.04	28.45
CRESTON	54	28	41		0.62		24.79	29.23	
NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	55	25	41	-3	1.07	0.72	23.90	32.45	29.69
CLARKSBURG	55	24	40	0	1.38	0.76	27.46	32.93	30.69
BELINGTON	59	24	41		1.27		29.97	36.70	
WESTON	56	26	41		1.43		33.82	38.11	
SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	63	30	45		1.13		27.53	34.69	
HUNTINGTON	57	30	43	-1	0.64	0.78	21.73	29.48	30.20
CHARLESTON	58	28	42	-2	0.99	0.76	22.15	34.75	32.28
RIPLEY	53	28	42		0.81		23.54	35.14	
CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	52	22	38		1.70		30.06	33.08	
ELKINS	55	22	39	-1	1.55	0.71	30.18	41.71	32.35
MARLINTON	55	25	38		1.77		23.85	35.95	
SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	52	25	39	-3	0.94	0.69	29.64	33.64	29.32
PINEVILLE	60	28	42		1.12		23.35	35.74	
BLUEFIELD	50	27	39	-2	0.88	0.64	28.76	39.16	27.86
WHITE SUL SP	56	22	39		1.51		22.33	36.24	
BLUESTONE DAM	51	26	40		1.30		21.00	29.82	
NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	58	22	39	-3	2.27	0.66	20.14	27.74	27.20
KEYSER	56	21	37		1.79		22.46	24.20	
MOOREFIELD	59	21	38		1.94		19.18	27.18	

State Average Temperature 40 State Average Precipitation 1.28

Source:

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