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Poor Week for Field Work: Maryland had 2.5 days and Delaware had 2.0 days suitable for field work. Last week our region experienced 4-6 days of precipitation, planting activities diminished dramatically due to relatively high surpluses in sub and topsoil moisture. Maryland received an average of 3.43 while Delaware received 4.84 inches of rain. In Maryland barley coloring 18 percent ahead compare to last year's. In Delaware winter wheat coloring 12 percent ahead compare to last year's. Field activities included farm equipment maintenance, soybeans, lima-beans, and snap beans planting and cutting hay.

MD Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 7, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	0	8	77	15
SUBSOIL	1	9	87	3

MD Crop Conditions as of June 7, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	0	1	5	88	6
BARLEY	4	8	19	55	14
HAY, ALFALFA	0	2	12	55	31
HAY, OTHER	1	7	16	53	23
PASTURE & RANGE	0	3	17	55	25
PEACHES	0	1	10	74	15
WINTER WHEAT	0	4	17	69	10

MD Crop Progress as of June 7, 2015 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
BARLEY: COLORING	80	67	62	85
BEANS, LIMA: PLANTED	35	30	41	60
CANTALOUPE: PLANTED	63	62	76	81
CORN: PLANTED	94	89	93	97
CORN: EMERGED	91	81	87	92
CUCUMBERS: PLANTED	39	38	83	78
HAY, ALFALFA: FIRST CUTTING	78	77	78	94
HAY, OTHER: FIRST CUTTING	69	65	61	84
SNAP BEANS: PLANTED	47	45	71	71
SOYBEANS: PLANTED	65	58	53	62
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	50	42	29	41
STRAWBERRIES: HARVESTED	58	39	55	69
SWEET CORN: PLANTED	63	56	81	78
TOMATOES: PLANTED	70	68	73	80
WATERMELONS: PLANTED	55	53	79	81
WINTER WHEAT: COLORING	37	20	24	58

DE Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 7, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	5	17	59	19
SUBSOIL	3	11	77	9

DE Crop Conditions as of June 7, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	0	1	21	69	9
BARLEY	2	6	46	37	9
HAY, ALFALFA	1	4	15	68	12
HAY, OTHER	1	4	22	60	13
PASTURE & RANGE	4	11	44	35	6
PEACHES	2	6	25	64	3
WINTER WHEAT	2	9	37	42	10

Hay and Roughage Supplies as of June 7, 2015

(in percent)

State	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
MD	0	6	88	6
DE	8	15	73	4

DE Crop Progress as of June 7, 2015

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: FULL BLOOM	97	93	97	99
BARLEY: HEADED	96	94	96	99
BARLEY: COLORING	51	47	42	82
BEANS, LIMA: PLANTED	30	23	44	52
CANTALOUPE: PLANTED	87	83	86	84
CORN: EMERGED	93	86	89	94
CUCUMBERS: PLANTED	29	28	56	66
HAY, ALFALFA: FIRST CUTTING	96	84	83	95
HAY, OTHER: FIRST CUTTING	89	80	81	95
SNAP BEANS: PLANTED	41	39	50	67
SOYBEANS: PLANTED	66	57	55	70
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	40	29	33	51
STRAWBERRIES: HARVESTED	55	31	48	81
SWEET CORN: PLANTED	77	71	84	87
TOMATOES: PLANTED	81	78	80	85
WATERMELONS: PLANTED	86	84	91	90
WINTER WHEAT: COLORING	48	18	36	57

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June 7, 2015 Maryland and Delaware Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2015					
		Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
State	Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Maryland	Baltimore_Washi	90	55	67	-3	3.43	5	9.84	+2.11	25	907	+247	1557
	Beltsville	90	55	66	-3	3.22	6	9.19	+0.42	28	878	+212	1525
	Brighton_Dam	87	52	65	-4	3.21	5	12.68	+3.49	28	757	+140	1392
	Cumberland	86	51	65	-3	0.83	6	7.39	-0.53	34	781	+154	1436
	Emmitsburg	87	51	65	-4	3.06	5	8.32	-1.05	25	729	+106	1368
	Frostburg	80	49	60	-2	0.92	6	8.17	-1.53	36	532	+211	1106
	Hagerstown_AP	87	54	66	-3	1.21	4	6.33	-2.10	28	920	+302	1573
	Mechanicsville	87	56	66	-4	3.00	6	10.72	+2.03	27	829	+91	1477
	Millers_4NE	82	52	64	-4	1.52	5	6.32	-2.32	23	821	+251	1460
	Ocean_City_AP	80	53	65	-6	2.60	6	8.32	+0.63	22	705	-71	1338
	Oxon_Hill	90	56	68	-2	2.45	5	7.87	-0.28	25	956	+203	1621
	Patuxent_River	88	58	69	-3	1.52	4	6.50	-1.85	22	930	+155	1588
	Reisterstown	87	52	63	-6	3.20	7	8.88	+0.09	32	776	+108	1405
	Salisbury_AP	90	53	67	-3	1.80	5	7.33	-0.79	21	874	+178	1515
	Savage_River_Da	78	51	62	-2	1.12	5	9.07	+0.58	31	543	+168	1137
	Sharpsburg_5S	88	49	65	-2	2.75	5	8.49	+0.16	27	742	+208	1362
	Sines_Deep_Cree	79	51	62	-1	0.79	4	9.69	-0.28	33	501	+150	1069
Stevensville	88	55	65	-5	0.37	2	7.09	-1.56	25	890	+196	1546	
Upper_Marlboro	91	55	67	-3	2.58	5	8.50	-0.02	29	878	+223	1531	
Washington_DC_A	92	59	70	-2	3.36	5	8.69	+1.32	24	1171	+341	1846	
Delaware	Dover_AFB	91	55	66	-4	3.57	5	7.68	-1.00	25	864	+123	1516
	Georgetown_AP	91	54	65	-3	1.60	5	5.88	-2.31	21	885	+266	1526
	Wilmington_DE	89	53	66	-3	4.84	4	11.37	+2.98	24	858	+235	1495

Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.

Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit.

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REPORTERS COMMENTS, By County

Reporters are from Extension Service (Ext), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Farm Service Agency (FSA), Conservation District (CD), farmers, commodity specialists, or other knowledgeable individuals.

Kent County, DE

Although rain was much needed, last week we received more than we hoped for. Some areas reported to have received 4+ inches of rain with some storms producing very harsh conditions including strong winds, hail, and cooler than normal temperatures. No crop damage has been reported yet. Hoping warmer weather this week will allow farmers to get back into the fields and finish planting.

Sussex County, DE Harry Hudson

Heavy rains slowed down/stopped field work last week - Watermelons, etc. flooded out in places. Few weeks ago too dry - now too wet.

Sussex County, DE – John Timmons

Due to 6 days of wet and cloudy weather will probably cause disease pressure on fruit crops. Soybean planting for full season soybeans will not begin back until mid-week.

Baltimore County, MD – Dave Martin

Overcast and rain most of the week... reports of 3 to 6 inches of rain.

Howard and Montgomery County, MD – Charles Schuster

Cool and damp conditions highlighted the last reporting period. Between 1.75 and 2.5 inches of rain fell during the last reporting period. Cloudy overcast conditions helped the moisture soak in the soils and prevented evapotranspiration. Strawberries are ripe and being harvested as weather permits. Apples and peaches are doing well. Barley is fully colored, wheat in some areas is showing some color. Pastures welcomed the cool damp weather and are rebounding. Hay harvest was slowed greatly last week with little to no hay being cut.

Saint Marys, MD – Ben Beale

Rains saturated the area during the week, halting planting and harvest progress. Corn crops look very good. Barley should soon be ready to harvest.