



Maryland & Delaware

Weekly Crop and Weather Report

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Scattered Showers

For the week ending, May 31, 2009, the days suitable for fieldwork were **5.7** days in Delaware and **4.4** days in Maryland. Soil moistures reported adequate to surplus in Delaware and adequate in Maryland. One crop reporter reported, *“The weather has been warm during the day and cooler at night.”*

Hay supplies were short to adequate in Delaware and adequate in Maryland. Much of the region had showers early and late in the week, however warm temperatures allowed farmers to continue planting and working the fields. **Corn** planting progressed with 88 percent of the crop in the ground for Delaware and 94 percent for Maryland. Corn emerged reached 76 percent in Delaware and 73 percent in Maryland. **Soybeans** planting progressed with 36 and 30 percent of the crop in the ground for Delaware and Maryland, respectively. Soybeans reached nearly 14 percent emerged in Delaware and 16 percent emerged in Maryland. **Apples** bloomed were reported at 94 and 100 percent in Delaware and Maryland. Early **strawberry** harvest reached 70 percent and 42 percent in Delaware and Maryland. **Small grains** conditions were fair to good in Delaware and good to excellent in Maryland. **Barley** headed reached 100 percent in Delaware and 99 percent in Maryland. **Winter wheat** headed reached 98 percent in Delaware and crop condition rated fair to good. Maryland headed reached 96 percent and crop rated good to excellent. **Pasture** conditions remained good in Delaware and good to excellent in Maryland.

CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 31, 2009

Item	Maryland				Delaware			
	This	Last	Last	5 Year	This	Last	Last	5 Year
	Week	Week	Year	Average	Week	Week	Year	Average
Alfalfa Hay, first cutting	55	42	63	72	67	57	64	79
Apples, bloomed	100	100	100	99	94	90	100	99
Barley, headed	99	99	57	50	100	99	62	56
Barley, turned	40	4	2	1	57	39	0	3
Cantaloups, planted	62	47	66	66	67	46	50	71
Corn, planted	88	81	90	94	94	83	96	98
Corn, emerged	73	60	75	83	76	58	78	87
Cucumbers, planted	43	35	41	40	32	28	31	39
Green Peas, planted	100	99	98	80	100	100	100	87
Green Peas, harvested	8	0	18	22	13	1	13	14
Lima Beans, planted	43	38	41	42	34	25	17	25
Other Hay, first cutting	50	39	52	62	77	67	71	70
Peaches, bloomed	100	100	100	96	100	100	100	99
Potatoes, planted	100	100	100	99	100	100	100	98
Snap Beans, planted	67	46	42	46	44	36	47	61
Soybeans, planted	30	21	31	45	36	22	43	49
Soybeans, emerged	16	6	12	12	14	8	20	32
Strawberries, bloomed	99	88	98	98	100	100	100	100
Strawberries, harvested	42	25	44	46	70	54	45	47
Sweet Corn, planted	62	49	63	74	53	42	60	62
Tomatoes, planted	77	64	71	69	72	55	55	70
Watermelons, planted	65	45	75	70	79	67	61	75
Winter Wheat, headed	96	86	96	96	98	97	97	97
Winter Wheat, turned	3	1	8	12	6	2	11	14

CROP CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 31, 2009

Item	Maryland					Delaware				
	VP	P	F	G	EX	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent					Percent				
Apples	0	0	1	99	0	3	8	32	38	19
Barley	0	2	15	60	23	1	4	22	59	14
Corn	2	6	20	62	10	3	9	20	56	12
Pasture	0	2	10	65	23	0	4	17	75	4
Peaches	0	0	4	96	0	30	54	10	5	1
Winter Wheat	1	1	14	57	27	0	4	22	62	12

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 31, 2009

Condition by Percent	Maryland				Delaware			
	Topsoil Moisture		Subsoil Moisture		Topsoil Moisture		Subsoil Moisture	
	This	Last	This	Last	This	Last	This	Last
	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week
Very Short	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Short	4	8	1	2	8	10	10	8
Adequate	84	79	91	92	71	73	81	84
Surplus	12	11	8	6	21	17	9	8

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 31, 2009

Station	Precipitation ^{1/}			Temperatures				
	Since Jan 1							
	Total	Depart					Depart	
	this	From					from	
	Week	Total	Normal	High	Low	Average	Normal	
Maryland								
Baltimore/Washington AP		3.93	19.28	2.92	83	54	67	0
Frederick		2.30	16.65	0.89	82	53	66	3
Frostburg		1.84	17.41	-1.85	77	49	61	2
Hagerstown		1.40	11.17	-4.33	86	54	69	3
Mechanicsville		1.28	15.69	-2.65	82	55	69	2
Patuxent River		1.06	12.48	-4.02	83	57	71	5
Ocean City		2.32	18.48	0.04	87	64	73	6
Salisbury		2.93	12.53	-5.57	84	58	70	4
Sharpsburg		0.85	13.89	-1.87	83	51	66	2
Stevensville		1.11	15.82	-1.35	82	55	69	2
Washington, DC (Reagan National)		2.77	17.27	2.30	83	57	70	0
Delaware								
Dover		1.57	13.82	-3.78	82	56	68	0
Georgetown		0.82	14.11	-3.79	86	57	71	5
Wilmington		0.55	12.62	-3.98	84	52	68	2

^{1/}Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M. on recorded date.

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