



Maryland & Delaware

Weekly Crop and Weather Report

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Rain Delays Field Activity

For the week ending, November 1, 2009, the days suitable for fieldwork were **2.5** days in both Delaware and Maryland. Very little field work was done this week due to wet conditions. Rains delayed harvest and cover crop planting. Soil moisture levels were adequate to surplus in both Delaware and Maryland. Corn and soybeans remained in mostly good to excellent conditions in Delaware and Maryland.

Hay supplies remained adequate to surplus in Delaware and Maryland. **Alfalfa hay** harvest in the fourth cutting was reported complete in Delaware and at 97 percent completion in Maryland. So far, the fifth cutting of alfalfa hay remained above the five year average. The fifth cutting of alfalfa hay reached 63 percent and 53 percent in Delaware and Maryland, respectively. **Other hay** third cutting reached 92 percent in Maryland. Fourth cutting reached 64 and 51 percent in Delaware and Maryland, respectively. **Corn** harvest reached 80 percent in Delaware and 76 percent in Maryland. **Soybean** harvest in both states continued, with 32 and 46 percent harvested in Delaware and Maryland, respectively. **Barley** planting remained ahead of the five year average in Maryland, with 92 percent planted and reaching 89 percent planted in Delaware. **Winter wheat** planting was also ahead of the five year average in Maryland, with 69 percent planted and 47 percent emerged. Winter wheat planting in Delaware reached 39 percent planted and 18 percent emerged. The **apple** harvest was 97 percent complete in both states with good quality. **Lima beans** for processing harvest was reported complete in both Delaware and Maryland. **Pasture** conditions remained fair to good in both states.

CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 1, 2009

Item	Maryland				Delaware			
	This	Last	Last	5 Year	This	Last	Last	5 Year
	Week	Week	Year	Average	Week	Week	Year	Average
Alfalfa Hay, fourth cutting	97	93	96	93	100	99	82	84
Alfalfa Hay, fifth cutting	53	52	52	39	63	51	41	31
Apples, harvested	97	95	99	97	97	94	87	93
Barley, planted	92	91	97	90	89	86	94	89
Corn, harvested for grain	76	71	90	89	80	72	96	95
Lima Beans, harvested	100	98	100	93	100	100	100	92
Other Hay, third cutting	92	90	99	81	100	100	96	93
Other Hay, fourth cutting	51	45	60	67	64	55	23	49
Soybeans turning color	98	96	98	85	99	94	98	90
Soybeans dropping leaves	92	88	96	95	93	82	85	96
Soybeans harvested	46	33	47	47	32	27	39	40
Winter Wheat, planted	69	66	73	66	56	39	64	59
Winter Wheat emerged	47	34	31	14	34	18	35	26

CROP CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 1, 2009

Item	Maryland					Delaware				
	VP	P	F	G	EX	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent					Percent				
Barley	5	6	28	46	15	1	1	12	80	6
Pasture	0	9	19	54	18	0	3	18	64	15
Soybeans	1	3	19	59	18	1	2	10	47	40
Winter Wheat	5	5	24	34	32	1	1	11	83	4

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

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 1, 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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Short	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
Adequate	58	83	71	87	60	89	78	90
Surplus	41	17	28	12	40	10	22	9

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 1, 2009

Station	Precipitation ^{1/}			Temperatures			
	Total this Week	Since Jan 1		High	Low	Average	Depart from Normal
		Depart	From				
		Total	Normal				
Maryland							
Baltimore/Washington AP	2.20	42.85	8.72	71	39	57	6
Frederick	1.81	41.12	7.97	71	38	55	8
Frostburg	0.81	36.41	-3.09	63	37	50	5
Hagerstown	1.30	27.23	-5.36	77	40	58	9
Mechanicsville	3.63	40.49	2.52	69	41	55	3
Patuxent River	3.86	38.85	3.17	73	43	59	6
Ocean City	3.04	43.89	5.91	72	41	60	6
Salisbury	1.97	34.59	-4.02	77	41	60	7
Sharpsburg	1.67	29.71	-3.44	74	34	55	7
Stevensville	3.12	39.84	4.46	71	43	57	5
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	2.56	36.08	3.59	73	45	59	5
Delaware							
Dover	3.64	43.85	6.30	74	43	58	4
Georgetown	5.42	46.19	8.93	78	43	60	9
Wilmington	2.11	40.85	6.66	71	41	57	6

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

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