

Crop Progress & Condition



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Good Week for Field Work: Maryland and Delaware had 5 days suitable for field work. Emerged corn stalks are 16 inches tall in both states. Apples have finally bloomed in Delaware. Winter wheat has completely headed in Maryland. Barley has fully headed and corn is all planted in Maryland and Delaware. Watermelons are almost all planted in Delaware. Soybeans are almost all planted and emerged and winter wheat has all headed in Delaware. Damp weather has created a lot of challenges such as higher disease risk, delays in harvesting forage crops, and setbacks in planting. Warm temperatures are expected, with thunderstorms Thursday through the weekend. Most field activity will be early in the week.

MD Moisture for Week Ending June 15th, 2014 (100% total)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Subsoil	0%	0%	84%	16%
Topsoil	0%	0%	75%	25%

MD Crop Condition (in %):

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	1	1	22	67	9
Apples	0	1	7	85	7
Barley	2	8	29	52	9
Cherries	0	9	10	79	2
Corn	1	2	16	62	19
Other Hay	1	4	20	69	6
Pasture	0	2	8	66	24
Peaches	0	3	13	76	8
Soybean	0	1	13	67	19
Winter Wheat	1	7	14	65	13

MD Crop Progress (in %):

	June 15 th	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa 1 st Cutting	80	99	93
Alfalfa 2 nd Cutting	19	25	28
Barley Headed	99	100	100
Barley Coloring	88	97	94
Cantaloupes Planted	88	81	85
Corn Planted	96	-	-
Corn Emerged	93	95	95
Cucumbers Planted	84	90	79
Green Peas Harvested	50	26	60
Lima Beans Planted	45	89	69
Other Hay 1 st Cutting	68	91	90
Snap Beans Planted	76	87	80
Soybean Planted	71	67	69
Soybean Emerged	47	48	56
Strawberries Harvested	79	70	85
Sweet Corn Planted	86	79	82
Tomatoes Planted	79	84	89
Watermelon Planted	94	90	88
Winter Wheat Headed	97	-	-
Winter Wheat Coloring	52	86	85

DE Moisture for Week Ending June 15th, 2014 (100% total)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Subsoil	1%	6%	90%	3%
Topsoil	3%	11%	86%	0%

DE Crop Condition (in %):

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	0	1	13	80	6
Apples	2	3	26	64	5
Barley	1	2	12	78	7
Cherries	9	16	29	39	7
Corn	1	3	11	76	9
Other Hay	0	1	16	75	8
Pasture	1	3	26	52	18
Peaches	2	7	24	59	8
Soybean	0	0	5	76	19
Winter Wheat	1	3	22	66	8

Hay and Roughage Supplies

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
MD	0%	19%	80%	1%
DE	0%	7%	84%	9%

DE Crop Progress (in %):

	June 15 th	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa 1 st Cutting	94	100	97
Apples Full Bloom	100	-	-
Barley Coloring	69	98	97
Cantaloupes Planted	93	92	90
Corn Emerged	97	91	96
Cucumbers Planted	67	65	68
Green Peas Harvested	41	50	61
Lima Beans Planted	59	49	58
Other Hay 1 st Cutting	94	100	97
Snap Beans Planted	59	69	75
Soybeans Planted	76	72	76
Soybean Emerged	56	58	58
Strawberries Harvested	65	93	96
Sweet Corn Planted	90	96	88
Tomatoes Planted	84	93	93
Watermelon Planted	96	93	94
Winter Wheat Coloring	62	77	88

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June 15, 2014 Maryland and Delaware Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2014					
		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	84	51	73	+3	0.95	5	13.44	+4.81	28	943	+115	1670
	Beltsville	84	54	72	+2	2.42	6	16.93	+7.20	31	908	+72	1631
	Brighton_Dam	85	52	72	+2	1.32	4	16.58	+6.35	27	821	+45	1524
	Cumberland	85	50	70	+1	4.26	5	13.20	+4.45	32	849	+66	1546
	Emmitsburg	83	52	71	+2	3.20	6	16.25	+5.68	32	773	-8	1481
	Frostburg	78	48	66	+3	3.38	5	13.31	+2.57	34	530	+101	1162
	Hagerstown_AP	84	53	72	+3	1.79	6	9.47	+0.02	28	888	+111	1596
	Mechanicsville	86	55	74	+4	2.10	6	12.05	+2.24	28	934	+27	1660
	Millers_4NE	83	48	70	+2	2.30	6	13.87	+4.27	38	773	+51	1481
	Ocean_City_AP	81	53	72	-1	0.26	2	7.56	-1.01	21	820	-133	1542
	Oxon_Hill	87	54	74	+4	0.96	5	13.36	+4.17	29	999	+79	1735
	Patuxent_River	92	57	75	+3	1.16	5	11.63	+2.26	27	992	+39	1727
	Reisterstown	81	52	70	-1	1.37	6	14.46	+4.71	35	765	-67	1478
	Salisbury_AP	88	56	76	+6	0.20	3	6.28	-2.76	21	1116	+250	1857
	Savage_River_Da	80	47	66	+2	2.48	4	9.47	+0.02	24	561	+69	1211
	Sharpsburg_5S	85	50	71	+3	3.35	6	15.26	+5.89	30	732	+50	1417
	Sines_Deep_Cree	80	44	65	+2	3.49	6	13.12	+1.95	36	466	+6	1080
	Stevensville	84	54	73	+2	2.16	6	12.47	+2.86	34	956	+90	1691
	Washington_DC_A	88	60	77	+4	2.34	5	14.20	+6.02	27	1211	+193	1964
Delaware	Dover_AFB	85	57	73	+2	1.96	5	8.09	-1.62	25	921	+4	1642
	Georgetown_AP	88	56	75	+5	0.55	5	7.60	-1.50	25	1012	+233	1744
	Wilmington_DE	84	55	72	+2	3.44	6	13.97	+4.66	28	903	+116	1633

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.

Sussex County, DE – Harry Hudson

Rainfall last week - some areas .5 inch - Millsboro area 2.0 inches. It can get dry pretty quick in Sussex Delaware. Peas coming off pretty good now - there is a shortage of acreage due to the wet spring holding plantings. Barley is starting to be cut now. Soybeans are being planted - maybe some irrigated barley to grain corn left to be planted. Early sweet corn tasseling.

Harford County, MD - Patricia Hoopes

Farmers are frustrated with the weather. There have been too many wet days keeping out of the fields.

Howard & Montgomery Counties, MD - Charles Schuster

Three or more inches of rain fell during the last reporting period in several storms. The moisture is providing challenges for hay harvest. Disease pressure on strawberries has been very strong, and temperatures have been cool. Corn grew a great deal in the last reporting period. Small grains look very good, but heads on wheat seem to be light. Some areas have fields that are still not able to be planted. Pastures, where well managed, look excellent.

Somerset & Wicomico, MD – Jarrod Miller

Side-dressing corn and post emergence spraying are being performed in Somerset and corn is being side-dressed where necessary in Wicomico.

Washington County, MD – Jeff Selmer

Heavy rains have caused some flooding and ponding in fields. Will the corn grow through it, will the heat and barley that went down be harvested? Only time will tell. The western part of the county around Clear Spring and the southern part of the county around Sharpsburg and Boonsboro were hit the hardest. In some areas in addition to the water there is debris and silt accumulation. Drying weather is on the way.

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