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# Crop Progress & Condition



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**Excellent Week for Field Work:** Maryland had 5.5 days while Delaware had an average of 6.5 days suitable for field work. Corn planting's season nearly complete in both states. In Maryland, Barley & Winter Wheat Coloring are ahead compare to last year's. In Delaware first hay cutting nearly complete with some farmers going through second cutting, watermelon according to last year & five years average. Emerged corn stalks 16 inches tall for both states. Highest temperature 94°F average 80°F, Lowest 46°F average 69°F. Field work activities included lima beans, tomatoes, cucumber, watermelon, and cantaloupes planting and cutting hay and strawberry harvesting.

## MD Crop Progress as of June 14, 2015 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
BARLEY: COLORING	95	80	85	95
BEANS, LIMA: PLANTED	40	35	45	66
CANTALOUPE: PLANTED	78	63	86	86
CORN: PLANTED	96	94	96	98
CORN: EMERGED	95	91	92	97
CUCUMBERS: PLANTED	68	39	84	82
HAY, ALFALFA: FIRST CUTTING	86	78	80	96
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	30	<5	17	28
HAY, OTHER: FIRST CUTTING	75	69	67	90
SNAP BEANS: PLANTED	58	47	75	79
SOYBEANS: PLANTED	79	65	69	73
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	66	50	45	57
STRAWBERRIES: HARVESTED	82	58	76	85
SWEET CORN: PLANTED	84	63	85	84
TOMATOES: PLANTED	79	70	78	87
WATERMELONS: PLANTED	76	55	92	88
WINTER WHEAT: COLORING	73	37	48	81

## MD Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 14, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	0	3	83	14
SUBSOIL	1	7	84	8

## MD Crop Conditions as of June 14, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	0	1	8	84	7
BARLEY	4	8	19	55	14
HAY, ALFALFA	0	1	12	56	31
HAY, OTHER	1	7	15	54	23
PASTURE & RANGE	0	3	16	56	25
PEACHES	0	1	10	74	15
WINTER WHEAT	1	4	17	68	10

**DE Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 14, 2015**

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	5	16	70	9
SUBSOIL	3	11	76	10

**DE Crop Conditions as of June 14, 2015**

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	0	0	25	66	9
BARLEY	2	12	44	33	9
HAY, ALFALFA	1	4	19	61	15
HAY, OTHER	2	4	24	56	14
PASTURE & RANGE	4	11	49	30	6
PEACHES	2	6	28	61	3
WINTER WHEAT	2	10	37	41	10

**Hay and Roughage Supplies as of June 14, 2015**

(in percent)

State	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
MD	1	6	88	5
DE	4	9	75	12

**DE Crop Progress as of June 14, 2015**

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
BARLEY: COLORING	76	51	65	92
BEANS, LIMA: PLANTED	39	30	57	59
CANTALOUPE: PLANTED	90	87	92	91
CORN: EMERGED	95	93	96	97
CUCUMBERS: PLANTED	56	29	66	72
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	15	<5	<5	23
HAY, OTHER: FIRST CUTTING	96	89	92	98
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	13	<5	0	20
SNAP BEANS: PLANTED	58	41	58	74
SOYBEANS: PLANTED	77	66	73	78
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	47	40	53	61
STRAWBERRIES: HARVESTED	69	55	63	90
SWEET CORN: PLANTED	86	77	89	91
TOMATOES: PLANTED	83	81	83	90
WATERMELONS: PLANTED	95	86	95	95
WINTER WHEAT: COLORING	72	48	59	84

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## June 14, 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	94	60	77	+7	1.31	2	11.15	+2.63	27	1098	+292	1818
	Beltsville	91	60	76	+5	0.87	3	10.06	+0.45	31	1059	+245	1776
	Brighton_Dam	91	58	74	+5	0.57	2	13.25	+3.15	30	925	+170	1630
	Cumberland	95	53	75	+7	0.11	2	7.50	-1.15	36	961	+198	1686
	Emmitsburg	90	51	73	+4	0.77	3	9.09	-1.33	28	889	+129	1598
	Frostburg	88	53	70	+7	0.20	3	8.37	-2.24	39	673	+258	1317
	Hagerstown_AP	93	61	77	+8	0.36	2	6.69	-2.64	30	1109	+353	1832
	Mechanicsville	90	59	74	+3	0.29	2	11.01	+1.34	29	996	+111	1714
	Millers_4NE	89	59	75	+7	0.81	4	7.13	-2.35	27	995	+293	1704
	Ocean_City_AP	90	61	74	+3	0.04	2	8.36	-0.10	24	877	-53	1580
	Oxon_Hill	92	61	76	+6	0.22	2	8.09	-0.97	27	1142	+244	1877
	Patuxent_River	93	61	78	+6	0.50	2	7.00	-2.25	24	1127	+197	1855
	Reisterstown	90	60	73	+3	0.48	2	9.36	-0.27	34	940	+129	1639
	Salisbury_AP	91	59	76	+5	0.04	2	7.37	-1.56	23	1058	+214	1769
	Savage_River_Da	86	51	70	+6	0.58	3	9.65	+0.32	34	683	+206	1347
	Sharpsburg_5S	91	55	74	+7	1.22	3	9.71	+0.47	30	914	+251	1604
	Sines_Deep_Cree	87	46	69	+6	1.26	5	10.95	-0.07	38	632	+186	1270
Stevensville	93	64	78	+7	0.80	1	7.85	-1.64	25	1086	+242	1812	
Upper_Marlboro	92	61	76	+6	0.84	3	9.34	-0.09	32	1063	+265	1786	
Washington_DC_A	94	65	80	+7	0.67	2	9.36	+1.28	26	1386	+392	2131	
Delaware	Dover_AFB	93	60	77	+5	1.80	2	9.48	-0.11	27	1052	+158	1774
	Georgetown_AP	93	57	77	+7	0.01	1	5.89	-3.10	22	1072	+314	1783
	Wilmington_DE	91	60	76	+7	1.49	1	12.86	+3.66	25	1044	+278	1751

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**

Barley harvest is underway. Pea harvest should be starting up. Corn should be mostly in, except for corn after barley/wheat. Soybean plantings rolling on.

### **New Castle County, DE – Helen Sureda**

New Castle has gone from very dry to overly wet in some areas due to the frequent rain.

### **Baltimore County, MD – Dave Martin**

Hot and humid weather brought the strawberry harvest to an end. There was scattered thunderstorms, we have one report that over the last three weeks they have received about 16 inches of rain.

### **Harford County, MD – Patricia Hoopes**

Some strawberry growers feel they did not have enough strawberries because of weather conditions resulting in a shorter season than expected. This past weekend the top of the soil was moist but it was dry just under the surface. Last night thundershowers hit the area with intermittent showers today so hopefully soil moisture has improved.

### **Howard County, MD – Charles Schuster**

Moisture and heat are the two major issues making this reporting period. Two inches of rain fell in some areas during the reporting period. Strawberry harvest has been controlled much by the weather in pick your own situations. Forage harvest had a good window of opportunity during the last reporting period with many acres of hay harvested properly. Corn planting is complete in this region and only a few wetter acres of soybeans remain left to plant. Humid conditions are helping the disease cycle thrive currently.

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