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Excellent Week for Field Work: Maryland had 6.5 days and Delaware had 7 days suitable for field work. Highest temperature 98°F, lowest 49°F average 76°F. Maximum reported precipitation in a single area was 1.21 inches of rain. Most lima beans nearly planted in Maryland and harvesting the crop is taking place in both states. Tomatoes harvesting's average in Maryland is according to last year's but watermelon behind schedule compare with Delaware. Both States started third hay cutting but Delaware ahead of last year for this time of the year. Field work activities included apple, sweet corn, cantaloupes, peaches, tomatoes, and snap beans harvesting, and cutting hay.

MD Soil Moisture for Week Ending July 26, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	7	11	67	15
SUBSOIL	6	9	76	9

MD Crop Conditions as of July 26, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	0	4	8	77	11
CORN	2	4	8	57	29
HAY, ALFALFA	1	2	22	45	30
HAY, OTHER	1	5	28	55	11
PASTURE AND RANGE	0	2	23	50	25
PEACHES	0	1	18	59	22
SOYBEANS	0	1	12	73	14

MD Crop Progress as of July 26, 2015 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
BEANS, LIMA: PLANTED	99	91	94	96
BEANS, LIMA: HARVESTED	15	0	30	21
CANTALOUPE: HARVESTED	31	17	27	36
CORN: SILKING	97	76	88	90
CORN: MILK	43	8	42	N/A
CORN: DOUGH	20	N/A	16	23
CORN AVERAGE HEIGHT: (IN.)	88	83	76	N/A
CUCUMBERS: PLANTED	84	81	N/A	N/A
CUCUMBERS: HARVESTED	48	35	36	43
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	39	N/A	50	42
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	66	58	66	83
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	8	N/A	<5	<5
PEACHES: HARVESTED	31	16	25	41
POTATOES: HARVESTED	43	16	16	32
SNAP BEANS: HARVESTED	41	29	50	46
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	98	94	100	98
SOYBEANS: BLOOMING	45	N/A	67	56
SOYBEANS: SETTING PODS	29	N/A	40	28
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	33	23	34	41
TOMATOES: HARVESTED	34	23	33	33
WATERMELONS: HARVESTED	20	6	21	25

DE Soil Moisture for Week Ending July 26, 2015
(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	14	46	35	5
SUBSOIL	9	22	64	5

DE Crop Conditions as of July 26, 2015
(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	1	1	27	63	8
CORN	2	4	10	66	18
HAY, ALFALFA	1	6	25	52	16
HAY, OTHER	2	6	33	46	13
PASTURE AND RANGE	3	7	40	43	7
PEACHES	1	7	24	63	5
SOYBEANS	1	5	18	58	18

Hay and Roughage Supplies as of July 26, 2015
(in percent)

State	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
MD	1	8	85	6
DE	2	8	65	25

DE Crop Progress as of July 26, 2015
(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	5	N/A	<5	19
BEANS, LIMA: HARVESTED	10	<5	8	36
CANTALOUPE: HARVESTED	32	19	19	32
CORN: SILKING	100	80	80	91
CORN: MILK	79	28	45	N/A
CORN: DOUGH	19	N/A	<5	39
CORN AVERAGE HEIGHT: (IN.)	80	78	59	N/A
CUCUMBERS: PLANTED	97	93	93	97
CUCUMBERS: HARVESTED	51	33	45	53
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	93	86	65	89
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	35	N/A	13	32
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	87	73	65	84
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	23	N/A	5	20
PEACHES: HARVESTED	16	<5	14	42
SNAP BEANS: HARVESTED	62	44	32	55
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	98	94	95	98
SOYBEANS: BLOOMING	64	24	39	44
SOYBEANS: SETTING PODS	41	8	27	25
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	47	42	56	49
TOMATOES: HARVESTED	31	16	26	29
WATERMELONS: HARVESTED	43	25	28	33

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July 26, 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	97	58	78	+2	0.00	0	21.45	+7.88	47	2227	+357	3367
	Beltsville	93	61	77	0	0.12	1	21.23	+6.32	57	2149	+257	3286
	Brighton_Dam	92	57	75	-2	0.00	0	21.29	+5.85	48	1938	+173	3063
	Cumberland	90	58	74	-2	0.19	3	17.46	+4.37	62	1964	+221	3109
	Emmitsburg	91	57	75	-1	0.00	0	19.69	+3.93	50	1872	+110	3001
	Frostburg	86	54	70	+1	0.11	2	19.88	+4.01	67	1437	+295	2501
	Hagerstown_AP	94	61	78	+3	0.00	0	12.59	-1.37	48	2197	+431	3340
	Mechanicsville	91	60	76	-3	0.00	0	20.09	+4.30	49	2045	+95	3183
	Millers_4NE	88	57	74	-1	0.01	1	15.51	+1.14	50	1981	+320	3110
	Ocean_City_AP	91	56	76	-2	0.27	2	12.40	-1.56	41	2002	-19	3125
	Oxon_Hill	94	64	79	+4	0.00	0	20.87	+6.40	50	2290	+353	3445
	Patuxent_River	92	62	78	-2	0.00	0	15.05	+0.72	44	2304	+248	3452
	Reisterstown	92	60	76	-2	0.14	2	20.18	+5.65	59	1908	+59	3027
	Salisbury_AP	94	59	77	-2	1.21	1	17.21	+2.62	45	2184	+248	3315
	Savage_River_Da	87	54	71	+1	0.48	2	20.63	+5.78	58	1497	+240	2581
	Sharpsburg_5S	93	55	74	-1	0.00	0	16.82	+2.24	47	1876	+260	2986
	Sines_Deep_Cree	85	49	67	-2	0.50	3	25.67	+7.73	68	1387	+216	2445
Stevensville	95	66	80	+3	0.00	0	19.03	+4.38	43	2292	+349	3438	
Upper_Marlboro	95	62	78	+2	0.15	1	18.77	+3.89	58	2170	+335	3313	
Washington_DC_A	98	69	83	+4	0.00	0	20.80	+8.01	47	2695	+524	3860	
Delaware	Dover_AFB	94	62	78	-1	0.00	0	15.25	+0.26	43	2176	+168	3318
	Georgetown_AP	94	60	78	+2	0.66	1	11.83	-1.60	43	2214	+424	3345
	Wilmington_DE	92	60	77	0	0.00	0	20.46	+5.71	43	2153	+325	3280

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

Was starting to get very dry last week - putting crops under water stress that were not used to drought conditions.

Harford County, MD – Patricia Hoopes

Hay has been hard to get in because it has been wet. Powdery mildew has also been a problem.

Howard and Montgomery County, MD – Charles Schuster

Cooler temperatures towards the last half of this reporting period coupled with lower humidity made for great forage harvesting weather. Corn and soybeans are doing very well having received more than average moisture, and plant growth reflects it. Wheat harvest is complete in this region, and double crop soybeans are planted. Peach harvest is strong at this point. Apples are looking very good. Disease pressures have remained strong in this region.

Washington County, MD – Jeff Semler

Heat units good for the corn but will not take long to dry out the soil so showers are welcome.