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Excellent Week for Field Work: Maryland and Delaware had an average of 7.0 days suitable for field work. In Maryland, apple harvest is behind 2 percentage points compared to last year. Corn for grain and soybeans harvested are ahead compared to last year by 2 and 17 percentage points respectively. Winter wheat planted is ahead by 9 percent compared to last year. In Delaware, corn for grain harvested is the same as the 5 year average. Soybeans harvested is ahead of last year by 13 percentage points. There was a shortage of rain this week in both states. Maryland obtained at most 0.30 of an inch of precipitation, while Delaware received up to 0.02 of an inch. In Maryland, the highest reported temperature was 80°F with a low of 26°F, and in Delaware the highest was 77°F with a low of 33°F. Field work activities included harvesting apples, corn for grain, soybeans, and cutting hay; and planting small grains.

MD Crop Progress as of October 25, 2015 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	91	80	93	94
BARLEY: PLANTED	85	77	69	83
BARLEY: EMERGED	52	11	39	38
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	91	84	69	83
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	88	87	94	93
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	89	88	67	N/A
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	33	21	27	34
SOYBEANS: DROPPING LEAVES	96	90	84	87
SOYBEANS: MATURE	90	81	66	N/A
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	56	32	33	42
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	66	59	57	68
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	45	26	28	41

MD Soil Moisture for Week Ending October 25, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	0	3	91	6
SUBSOIL	0	3	91	6

MD Crop Conditions as of October 25, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
PASTURE & RANGE	4	12	29	34	21
SOYBEANS	2	7	19	56	16

DE Soil Moisture for Week Ending October 25, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	3	23	61	13
SUBSOIL	5	14	72	9

DE Crop Conditions as of October 25, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
PASTURE & RANGE	5	18	35	37	5
SOYBEANS	11	17	31	32	9

Hay and Roughage Supplies as of October 25, 2015

(in percent)

State	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
MD	2	12	82	4
DE	0	2	76	22

DE Crop Progress as of October 25, 2015

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
BARLEY: PLANTED	81	72	47	79
BARLEY: EMERGED	47	25	31	32
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	94	92	88	94
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	93	93	91	91
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	88	86	51	61
SOYBEANS: DROPPING LEAVES	95	82	92	95
SOYBEANS: MATURE	82	68	78	N/A
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	26	12	13	33
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	59	36	34	57
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	28	13	20	34

October 25, 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	78	29	54	+2	0.01	1	32.21	+7.75	71	4044	+580	6077
	Beltsville	77	31	53	-2	0.04	1	27.13	+0.64	73	3928	+373	5956
	Brighton_Dam	76	35	54	+2	0.04	1	28.92	+1.93	67	3485	+209	5481
	Cumberland	78	27	53	+2	0.03	1	25.61	+3.08	96	3563	+359	5590
	Emmitsburg	77	28	50	-3	0.00	0	30.34	+3.36	71	3397	+130	5408
	Frostburg	73	25	50	+4	0.04	1	29.35	+2.89	95	2636	+477	4560
	Hagerstown_AP	79	30	55	+4	0.03	1	18.32	-5.83	69	4000	+749	6036
	Mechanicsville	73	31	50	-5	0.00	0	33.59	+5.61	73	3665	+62	5691
	Millers_4NE	75	26	54	+2	0.00	0	28.63	+3.08	73	3547	+433	5560
	Ocean_City_AP	71	31	55	-2	0.00	0	24.43	-2.26	58	3871	+102	5893
	Oxon_Hill	77	33	54	-3	0.02	1	27.72	+0.89	72	4154	+560	6206
	Patuxent_River	76	38	56	-2	0.00	0	25.39	+0.00	64	4215	+307	6268
	Reisterstown	77	29	51	-3	0.01	1	32.44	+6.65	83	3483	+70	5489
	Salisbury_AP	76	32	54	-3	0.00	0	31.57	+4.48	66	4030	+369	6058
	Savage_River_Da	71	27	50	+3	0.06	1	28.08	+3.48	77	2750	+385	4703
	Sharpsburg_5S	80	26	52	+2	0.05	1	23.50	-1.36	66	3387	+403	5378
	Sines_Deep_Cree	70	23	48	-1	0.30	1	34.28	+5.33	105	2459	+246	4372
Stevensville	74	37	54	0	0.01	1	30.01	+3.52	64	4197	+568	6246	
Upper_Marlboro	77	31	53	-1	0.00	0	28.78	+2.35	90	3937	+532	5973	
Washington_DC_A	76	37	57	+2	0.01	1	27.92	+4.69	69	4811	+773	6881	
Delaware	Dover_AFB	77	33	55	-2	0.00	0	27.36	-0.28	60	4035	+226	6076
	Georgetown_AP	77	33	55	0	0.00	0	21.14	-5.28	62	4079	+665	6109
	Wilmington_DE	76	30	54	0	0.02	1	27.57	+2.13	62	4001	+549	6024

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.

Harford County, MD – Patricia Hoopes

The corn that is still standing has sustained some damage from the local storms. You can see where some stalks are down and some broken. Some of the fields not harvested are left because the grower has equipment problems.

St Mary's County, MD – Ben Beale

Dry weather has allowed for continued grain harvest. Full season bean yields are better than expected.

Kent County, DE – Lauren Huber

Soybeans harvest is still underway and corn harvest is wrapping up. Little to no precipitation last week but looks like there is a good chance of rain this week. Barley and wheat planted for grain and cover crop are being reported daily.

Sussex County, DE – Harry Hudson

Had a frost last Sunday morning. Helped with soybean harvest. Getting too dry for small grain to germinate. Need moisture to get it up.