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Excellent Week for Field Work: Maryland and Delaware had an average of 5.5 days suitable for field work. Both regions experienced up to 4 days of rainfall during the last reporting period, decreasing topsoil moisture and any progress in harvest. Soybeans harvested in Maryland showed an 18 percentage point increase ahead of last year's average and an 8 percentage point increase ahead of the five year average. The highest reported temperature was 70°F and a low of 29°F with average ranging from 48°F - 53°F. In Maryland, hay other third cutting and barley planted are nearly finished. In Delaware, winter wheat emerged is 30 percentage points ahead of last year's average, while hay alfalfa fourth cutting is almost the same as the five year average and barley emerged progress is ahead of Maryland's. Field work activities included harvesting soybeans, cutting hay, and planting winter wheat.

MD Crop Progress as of November 15, 2015 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
BARLEY: PLANTED	92	90	92	97
BARLEY: EMERGED	82	74	76	83
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	91	90	100	99
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	94	92	79	94
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	53	52	35	55
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	87	82	69	79
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	85	79	85	93
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	79	71	61	78

MD Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 15, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	0	2	91	7
SUBSOIL	0	4	90	6

MD Crop Conditions as of November 15, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
WINTER WHEAT	0	0	3	94	3

DE Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 15, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	3	11	71	15
SUBSOIL	6	11	72	11

DE Crop Conditions as of November 15, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
WINTER WHEAT	0	0	6	79	15

Hay and Roughage Supplies as of November 15, 2015

(in percent)

State	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
MD	2	14	83	1
DE	0	2	76	22

DE Crop Progress as of November 15, 2015

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
BARLEY: PLANTED	91	91	92	98
BARLEY: EMERGED	84	78	74	89
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	95	94	100	96
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	92	91	63	79
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	59	53	66	79
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	85	83	65	87
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	73	68	43	71

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November 15, 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	64	31	51	+5	1.13	3	34.32	+7.77	80	4176	+672	6402
	Beltsville	64	32	49	+2	0.98	3	29.22	+0.40	81	4038	+428	6254
	Brighton_Dam	67	30	49	+4	1.60	4	31.81	+2.40	74	3569	+260	5736
	Cumberland	70	29	48	+4	0.75	4	27.60	+3.07	102	3650	+419	5856
	Emmitsburg	62	28	47	+1	0.52	3	33.29	+3.74	76	3477	+174	5649
	Frostburg	63	28	42	+3	0.69	4	31.77	+2.76	103	2687	+528	4721
	Hagerstown_AP	60	32	50	+5	0.57	3	19.79	-6.76	74	4109	+825	6335
	Mechanicsville	67	29	50	+2	1.10	3	36.03	+5.55	82	3777	+106	5989
	Millers_4NE	61	29	49	+4	0.95	3	31.91	+3.90	79	3642	+489	5831
	Ocean_City_AP	70	29	53	+3	2.68	2	27.71	-1.31	63	4036	+181	6253
	Oxon_Hill	66	34	51	+2	0.81	3	29.65	+0.60	82	4281	+610	6528
	Patuxent_River	68	29	52	+2	2.80	3	28.69	+1.21	72	4384	+379	6635
	Reisterstown	60	34	48	+2	1.04	4	36.23	+8.13	93	3571	+113	5758
	Salisbury_AP	70	29	52	+3	2.22	3	34.66	+5.26	74	4185	+448	6408
	Savage_River_Da	64	27	44	+3	0.60	2	29.29	+2.65	82	2794	+429	4877
	Sharpsburg_5S	65	27	46	+2	1.23	3	26.26	-0.91	72	3458	+454	5610
	Sines_Deep_Cree	62	24	43	+2	0.92	4	36.76	+5.43	115	2497	+284	4533
	Stevensville	63	39	52	+6	1.32	2	32.30	+3.50	73	4331	+653	6585
Upper_Marlboro	64	32	50	+3	1.02	3	32.15	+3.41	96	4044	+590	6268	
Washington_DC_A	66	36	53	+4	0.79	3	29.73	+4.38	79	4984	+861	7260	
Delaware	Dover_AFB	64	32	52	+3	1.13	3	29.28	-0.47	68	4183	+286	6418
	Georgetown_AP	64	29	52	+4	2.02	2	23.96	-4.77	68	4237	+758	6460
	Wilmington_DE	61	32	51	+5	0.99	3	30.01	+2.46	71	4134	+640	6349

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.

Baltimore County, MD – David Martin

Rain on several days has hindered completing corn and soybean harvest.

Howard County and Montgomery, MD – Charles Schuster

One inch of rainfall occurred during the last reporting period. This slowed harvest for two days. Most corn has been harvested, only a small amount of double crop soybeans are still being finished. Most wheat is planted.

New Castle County, DE – Helen Sureda

Weather conditions in New Castle County have been mostly conducive to harvesting and planting.

Sussex County, DE – Harry Hudson

Precipitation occurs frequently enough to keep soybeans wet enough to hold up harvest. Hopefully freezing weather will solve this. Kent County continues to see a poultry house building boom.