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Good Week for Field Work: According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Maryland, there were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 25, 2019. In Delaware, there were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork. Maryland's Topsoil moisture supplies were 10 percent very short, 53 percent short, 37 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 11 percent very short, 41 percent short, 47 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Delaware's topsoil moisture supplies were 25 percent very short, 44 percent short, 31 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 46 percent very short, 25 percent short, 29 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Pasture conditions for Maryland ranged from 1 percent very poor, 22 percent poor, 47 percent fair, 27 percent good, and 3 percent excellent. Pasture conditions for Delaware ranged from 2 percent very poor, 36 percent poor, 33 percent fair, 22 percent good, and 7 percent excellent.

MD Crop Progress as of August 25, 2019 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	17	12	21	24
CORN: MILK	96	92	82	85
CORN: DOUGH	85	68	65	67
CORN: DENTED	29	6	22	32
CORN AVERAGE HEIGHT: (IN.)	90	89	90	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	88	78	63	76
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	13	10	29	37
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	95	88	82	90
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	52	46	26	31
PEACHES: HARVESTED	84	66	75	76
SNAP BEANS: HARVESTED	88	87	71	68
SOYBEANS: SETTING PODS	72	66	63	72
SOYBEANS: FULLY PODDED	15	5	34	30
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	68	56	69	70
TOMATOES: HARVESTED	75	62	78	64
WATERMELONS: HARVESTED	70	62	51	59

MD Soil Moisture for Week Ending August 25, 2019 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	10	53	37	0
SUBSOIL	11	41	47	1

MD Crop Conditions as of August 25, 2019 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	0	0	5	52	43
CORN	1	13	34	40	12
HAY, ALFALFA	1	2	5	67	25
HAY, OTHER	1	11	50	32	6
PASTURE AND RANGE	1	22	47	27	3
SOYBEANS	1	16	38	38	7

DE Soil Moisture for Week Ending August 25, 2019
(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	25	44	31	0
SUBSOIL	46	25	29	0

DE Crop Conditions as of August 25, 2019
(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	1	3	19	68	9
CORN	12	17	30	29	12
HAY, ALFALFA	1	20	43	28	8
HAY, OTHER	1	12	46	32	9
PASTURE AND RANGE	2	36	33	22	7
SOYBEANS	2	14	51	23	10

DE Crop Progress as of August 25, 2019
(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	21	15	41	35
BEANS, LIMA: HARVESTED	61	49	44	35
CANTALOUPE: HARVESTED	89	83	86	85
CORN: MILK	95	90	96	97
CORN: DOUGH	81	61	66	81
CORN: DENTED	27	7	43	43
CORN AVERAGE HEIGHT: (IN.)	79	78	97	85
CUCUMBERS: HARVESTED	86	76	82	82
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	95	92	N/A	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	59	56	68	75
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	85	80	100	96
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	25	21	55	56
PEACHES: HARVESTED	89	78	94	79
SNAP BEANS: HARVESTED	86	80	88	84
SOYBEANS: BLOOMING	85	71	91	95
SOYBEANS: SETTING PODS	65	51	67	72
SOYBEANS: FULLY PODDED	12	N/A	17	12
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	88	68	83	84
TOMATOES: HARVESTED	76	70	83	75
WATERMELONS: HARVESTED	91	84	85	86

August 25, 2019 Maryland and Delaware Weekly Weather Summary

State	Station	Air Temperature Last Week					Precipitation				
		Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Delaware	NORTHERN										
	Wilmington New Castle Co Ap	85.9	67.4	76.64	74.57	2.07	0.59	3.0	-0.11	2.66	-0.44
	Extreme/Average	85.9	67.4	76.64	74.57	2.07	0.59	3	-0.11	2.66	-0.44
	SOUTHERN										
	Georgetown-Delaware Coastal Airport	85.7	67.0	76.36	75.06	1.3	1.12	5.0	0.16	4.1	0.84
	Extreme/Average	85.7	67.0	76.36	75.06	1.30	1.12	5	0.16	4.10	0.84
	STATE TOTAL	85.7	67.1	76.42	74.95	1.47	1.00	5	0.10	3.78	0.56
Maryland	SOUTHEASTERN SHORE										
	Ocean City Municipal Ap	83.6	67.1	75.36	74.26	1.1	1.35	4.0	0.45	3.64	-0.87
	Salisbury-Wicomico Regional Airport	87.1	68.0	77.57	74.34	3.23	1.83	3.0	0.86	4.3	0.06
	Extreme/Average	85.3	67.5	76.47	74.30	2.17	1.59	4	0.66	3.97	-0.41
	LOWER SOUTHERN										
	Mechanicsville 5 Ne	85.6	67.7	76.64	73.24	3.4	1.87	2.0	0.99	4.57	1.06
	Patuxent River Nas	89.1	70.7	79.93	76.16	3.77	0.39	4.0	-0.52	2.25	-2.0
	Extreme/Average	87.3	69.2	78.28	74.70	3.58	1.13	4	0.23	3.41	-0.47
	UPPER SOUTHERN										
	Baltimore-Washington International Airport	88.4	67.1	77.79	74.61	3.17	1.35	3.0	0.62	2.39	-0.71
	Oxon Hill	89.7	69.7	79.71	76.67	3.04	0.55	5.0	-0.32	2.14	-1.08
	National Arboretum Dc	90.3	70.4	80.36	77.5	2.86	1.91	4.0	1.18	3.04	-0.21
	Extreme/Average	89.5	69.1	79.29	76.26	3.02	1.27	5	0.49	2.52	-0.67
	NORTHEASTERN SHORE										
	Stevensville 2Sw	94.6	76.0	85.3	75.79	9.36	0.01	1.0	N/A	2.29	N/A
	Extreme/Average	94.6	76.0	85.30	75.79	9.36	0.01	1	N/A	2.29	N/A
	NORTHERN CENTRAL										
	Emmitsburg 2 Se	86.7	64.1	75.43	72.07	3.36	0.93	3.0	0.16	1.1	-1.97
	Millers 4 Ne	85.3	62.6	73.93	71.51	2.41	1.62	3.0	0.72	2.55	-0.79
	Reisterstown 2 Nw	85.6	65.4	75.5	N/A	N/A	1.17	3.0	N/A	2.07	N/A
	Extreme/Average	85.9	64.0	74.95	71.79	2.88	1.24	3	0.44	1.91	-1.38
	APPALACHIAN MOUNTAIN										
	Cumberland 2	85.4	63.3	74.36	74.83	-0.47	1.21	4.0	0.53	2.85	-0.1
	Frostburg 2	79.9	59.0	69.43	67.49	1.94	2.84	4.0	2.08	4.1	0.78
	Hagerstown Washington County Regional Ap	85.1	65.7	75.43	72.71	2.71	1.14	2.0	0.41	2.29	-0.6
	Extreme/Average	83.5	62.7	73.07	71.68	1.39	1.73	4	1.01	3.08	0.03
	ALLEGHENY PLATEAU										
	Savage River Dam	79.7	60.0	69.83	68.64	1.23	1.52	4.0	0.79	2.72	-0.34
	Sines Deep Creek	83.0	58.2	70.62	N/A	N/A	0.85	2.0	N/A	1.3	N/A
	Extreme/Average	81.3	59.1	70.22	68.64	1.23	1.19	4	0.79	2.01	-0.34
	STATE TOTAL	86.4	66.0	76.24	73.00	3.09	1.23	3	0.50	2.59	-0.74

DFN = Departure from normal.

Weather summary provided by the Southern Regional Climate Center, <https://climdata.srcc.lsu.edu>.

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.

Frederick County, MD – Matt Morris

Timely rains during this reporting period has alleviated much of the drought stress in the county. Unfortunately the hot weather and lack of moisture has already done damage to later planted corn. Many of the ears are poorly pollinated. Early corn silage harvest is underway with less than stellar yields.

Howard & Montgomery Counties, MD – Charles Schuster

Hot temperatures prevailed early in the reporting period. The end of the reporting period saw rain and cooler temperatures. Hay harvest continued until Thursday when the conditions changed. Pastures are showing a slowing due to higher temperatures and lack of moisture. Apple harvest is now starting strongly as peaches finish the season. Corn and soybeans look excellent for most in the region.

Sussex County, DE – Harry T Hudson III

Corn is now being cut - probably to be farm dried.

Sussex County, DE - John Timmons

Started harvesting corn. Corn 10% harvested. This will be a big week harvesting corn.