



Maryland & Delaware

Weekly Crop and Weather Report

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Showers Revive Field Crops

For the week ending, August 2, 2009, the days suitable for fieldwork were **4.7** days in Delaware and **4.6** days in Maryland. Soil moistures reported mostly adequate in both Delaware and Maryland. One crop reporter from the Upper Eastern Shore commented “*Finally got much needed rain that has been fairly widespread.*” **Corn** and **Soybeans** were both rated in mostly good conditions.

Hay supplies remained at adequate in both States, with Delaware reaching over 30 percent in surplus. Hay harvest continued to progress steadily in both States, with Maryland surpassing 10 percent and Delaware surpassing 9 percent in the third cutting. Both states are nearing completion of the second cutting. **Corn** dough is at 42 percent in Delaware and 35 percent in Maryland, with both States beginning to dent. **Soybeans** blooming reached 34 percent in Delaware and 45 percent in Maryland. **Apples** and **Peaches** continue to be reported in good condition. Vegetable harvest is underway with **green pea** harvest completed in both States. **Winter wheat** harvested was completed in both Delaware and Maryland. Harvest of **potatoes** is at 37 and 47 percent in Delaware and Maryland respectively. **Pasture** conditions are in fair conditions in Maryland and good conditions in Delaware.

CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 2, 2009

Item	Maryland				Delaware			
	This	Last	Last	5 Year	This	Last	Last	5 Year
	Week	Week	Year	Average	Week	Week	Year	Average
Alfalfa Hay, second cutting	90	86	100	98	90	85	100	100
Alfalfa Hay, third cutting	44	39	57	58	29	21	59	54
Apples, harvested	18	18	17	17	10	5	5	6
Cantaloups, harvested	42	31	55	50	28	19	42	40
Corn, silked	100	100	94	94	100	100	90	96
Corn, dough	35	30	43	43	42	13	34	53
Cucumbers, harvested	55	53	54	58	60	40	49	49
Green Peas, harvested	100	100	100	98	100	100	100	98
Lima Beans, harvested	23	17	37	49	16	11	13	19
Other Hay, second cutting	75	70	76	76	97	92	98	94
Other Hay, third cutting	11	6	23	17	9	5	16	16
Peaches, harvested	43	33	37	39	58	40	42	50
Potatoes, harvested	47	23	55	50	37	25	47	35
Snap Beans, harvested	61	55	67	66	49	34	57	61
Soybeans, blooming	45	34	61	56	34	25	42	51
Soybeans setting pods	18	6	21	26	22	8	20	19
Sweet Corn, harvested	51	40	55	58	46	25	51	48
Tomatoes, harvested	45	32	43	37	20	17	28	31
Watermelons, harvested	20	10	42	34	20	15	41	41
Winter Wheat, harvested	100	100	100	97	100	100	100	100

CROP CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 2, 2009

Item	Maryland					Delaware				
	VP	P	F	G	EX	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent					Percent				
Apples	0	5	9	85	1	2	6	18	70	4
Corn	5	9	26	44	16	7	17	29	38	9
Pasture	2	9	42	40	7	0	4	33	61	2
Peaches	0	12	22	60	6	7	14	33	45	1
Soybeans	7	11	28	44	10	2	5	27	54	12

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 2, 2009

Condition by Percent	Maryland				Delaware			
	Topsoil Moisture		Subsoil Moisture		Topsoil Moisture		Subsoil Moisture	
	This	Last	This	Last	This	Last	This	Last
	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week
Very Short	2	17	6	11	2	21	4	28
Short	27	38	31	39	31	49	43	31
Adequate	66	45	62	50	63	30	51	40
Surplus	5	0	1	0	4	0	2	1

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING AUGUST 2, 2009

Station	Precipitation ^{1/}			Temperatures			
	Total this Week	Since Jan 1		High	Low	Average	Depart from Normal
		Total	Depart				
		Total	From				
Maryland							
Baltimore/Washington AP	2.17	28.30	4.34	90	66	79	2
Frederick	1.67	27.36	3.86	88	65	76	4
Frostburg	2.11	27.61	-1.46	82	58	69	1
Hagerstown	2.04	19.53	-3.43	90	67	78	4
Mechanicsville	1.18	22.30	-4.60	87	65	76	0
Patuxent River	1.91	22.34	-2.11	89	68	79	4
Ocean City	2.85	25.49	-0.82	94	73	83	8
Salisbury	1.68	20.98	-5.42	95	67	80	4
Sharpsburg	1.75	21.85	-1.65	87	64	75	3
Stevensville	1.97	23.39	-1.66	90	69	80	4
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.36	24.38	1.97	92	70	81	1
Delaware							
Dover	1.65	23.64	-2.22	91	67	80	3
Georgetown	1.34	22.90	-2.43	96	70	83	7
Wilmington	0.83	23.26	-1.36	88	66	79	3

^{1/}Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M. on recorded date.

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