



# Weather & Crops

CW 0913

May 28, 2013

## Cool Temperatures Linger

For the week ending, May 26, 2013, the days suitable for fieldwork were **6.0** days in Delaware and **5.5** days in Maryland. Topsoil and subsoil moisture levels were mostly adequate to surplus. Barley and winter wheat conditions were good to excellent in both States. A Delaware crop reporter responded, "*Reports of slug damage on no till corn. Yellow areas from too much rain - no sun - fertilizer washing out...*" A Maryland crop reporter responded, "*Cooler temperatures at the end of the week slowed strawberry ripening...*"

**Hay supplies** were rated adequate in both states. **Pasture** conditions were mostly fair to good in both states. The first cutting of other hay was 47 percent complete in Maryland and 96 percent complete in Delaware. The first cutting of alfalfa hay was 78 percent complete in Maryland and 91 percent complete in Delaware. **Corn** was 87 percent planted and 70 percent emerged in Maryland. In Delaware corn was 95 percent planted and 56 percent emerged. **Soybeans** planting progress is 26 percent in Maryland with 13 percent emergence and 38 percent planted with 18 percent emergence in Delaware. **Barley** was 99 percent headed with 46 percent turned in Maryland and 100 percent headed with 37 percent turned in Delaware. **Winter wheat** was 95 percent headed with 5 percent turned in Maryland and 100 percent headed in Delaware. **Vegetable** planting continued across both states. **Strawberries** were 9 and 29 percent harvested in Maryland and Delaware, respectively.

### MARYLAND & DELAWARE'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING May 26, 2013

Crop	Maryland				Delaware			
	May 26 2013	May 19 2013	May 27 2012	5-Year Average	May 26 2013	May 19 2013	May 27 2012	5-Year Average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Barley, turned	46	5	65	37	37	3	52	34
Corn, planted	87	72	95	89	95	88	98	93
Corn, emerged	70	42	79	72	56	44	92	78
Soybeans, planted	26	15	36	32	38	20	60	42
Soybeans, emerged	13	5	15	13	18	1	46	21
Winter Wheat, headed	95	75	100	96	100	82	100	97
Cucumbers, planted	57	50	64	48	47	35	70	42
Green Peas, planted		100				100		
Lima Beans, planted (ALL)	55	42		37	30	23		37
Snap Beans, planted	60	55	56	44	46	37	72	54
Sweet Corn, planted	58	52	73	63	76	60	79	65
Tomatoes, planted	60	51	64	66	73	51	87	67
Cantaloups, planted	50	45	79	64	63	45	73	60
Strawberries, bloomed	90	85	99	98	100	100	100	100
Strawberries, harvested	9	7	66	43	29	11	74	57
Watermelons, planted	48	40	59	59	75	61	82	70

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**CROP CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING May 26, 2013**

Crop	Maryland					Delaware				
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Pasture	1	1	19	66	13	1	4	18	75	2
Barley	1	1	8	79	11	1	3	15	51	30
Corn		1	10	81	8	1	9	25	51	14
Soybeans			7	93		1	1	36	59	3
Winter Wheat	1	1	9	75	14	1	3	15	51	30
Apples			1	99		1	2	17	74	6
Peaches			1	99		1	3	12	79	5

**SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING May 26, 2013**

Condition	Maryland				Delaware			
	Topsoil Moisture		Subsoil Moisture		Topsoil Moisture		Subsoil Moisture	
	May 26	May 19	May 26	May 19	May 26	May 19	May 26	May 19
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Very Short	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Short	7	3	3	3	7	3	2	1
Adequate	90	89	96	91	76	79	85	86
Surplus	3	8	1	6	16	18	13	13

**WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING May 26, 2013**

Station	Precipitation <sup>1</sup>			Temperatures			
	Total This Week	Since January 1		High	Low	Average	Departure From Normal
		Total	Departure From Normal				
	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Degrees Fahrenheit</i>	<i>Degrees Fahrenheit</i>	<i>Degrees Fahrenheit</i>	<i>Degrees Fahrenheit</i>
<b>Maryland</b>							
Baltimore/Washington AP	1.03	13.76	-1.95	87	44	67	2
Damascus	2.64	17.22	1.59	87	40	65	1
Frostburg	0.34	15.62	-2.89	85	33	60	2
Hagerstown	0.30	10.00	-4.85	90	41	66	2
Mechanicsville	0.42	15.56	-2.08	86	44	68	2
Patuxent River	0.07	13.00	-2.85	85	46	69	4
Ocean City	0.12	19.38	1.53	81	41	65	-1
Salisbury	0.59	18.68	1.18	84	45	70	5
Sharpsburg	0.96	13.73	-1.33	89	36	64	3
Stevensville	0.58	13.66	-2.86	83	43	67	2
Washington DC Reagan National	0.22	11.27	-3.10	86	46	69	1
<b>Delaware</b>							
Dover	0.40	13.60	-3.35	86	46	68	2
Georgetown	0.51	16.80	-0.50	83	45	69	5
Wilmington	0.29	13.34	-2.66	86	47	67	3

<sup>1</sup> Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M. on recorded date.