



Weather & Crops

CW 2113

August 19, 2013

Outlook Hopeful for End of Year Yields

For the week ending, August 18, 2013, the days suitable for fieldwork were 5.5 days in Delaware and 6.0 days in Maryland. Topsoil and subsoil moisture levels were mostly adequate to surplus. Corn and soybeans were rated mostly fair to good condition in both States. A Maryland crop reporter responded, "Corn and soybeans look really good. Corn harvest will most likely begin next week. Rain has been steady ..."

Hay supplies were rated mostly adequate in both states. **Pasture** conditions were rated mostly good in both states. The second cutting of **other hay** was 97 percent complete in Maryland and 100 percent complete in Delaware. The third cutting of **other hay** in Maryland and Delaware were 22 percent and 51 percent respectively. The third cutting of **alfalfa hay** was 47 percent complete in Maryland and 65 percent complete in Delaware. **Corn** progress was 100 percent silked, and 88 percent dough in Maryland. Delaware corn progress was 98 percent silked, and 77 percent dough. **Soybeans** were 82 percent bloomed with 63 percent setting pods in Maryland. Delaware **soybeans** were 75 percent bloomed with 51 percent setting pods. **Potato** harvest was 82 percent complete in Maryland and 80 percent complete in Delaware. **Vegetable** harvesting continued across both states.

MARYLAND & DELAWARE'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING August 18, 2013

Crop	Maryland				Delaware			
	Aug 18 2013	Aug 11 2013	Aug 19 2012	5-Year Average	Aug 18 2013	Aug 11 2013	Aug 19 2012	5-Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, silked	100	98	100	100	98	96	100	100
Corn, dough	88	64	85	85	77	66	96	84
Corn, dent	28	16	40	42	38	34	74	49
Corn, harvested for silage	10	4	26	5	11	6	44	9
Soybeans, bloomed	82	79	89	87	75	63	94	85
Soybeans, setting pods	63	52	66	64	51	30	69	55
Cucumbers, harvested	71	66	74	72	75	69	80	74
Lima Beans, harvested (Proc)	50	33	52	46	41	31	58	52
Potatoes, harvested	82	76	97	87	80	60	93	79
Snap Beans, harvested	80	70	83	80	80	70	77	78
Sweet Corn, harvested	71	61	79	73	82	78	83	80
Tomatoes, harvested	60	53	69	67	63	54	72	62
Cantaloups, harvested	63	57	68	71	57	55	82	75
Watermelons, harvested	65	52	63	60	75	50	83	78

CROP CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING August 18, 2013

Crop	Maryland					Delaware				
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>									
Pasture	1	1	7	71	20	1	1	24	68	6
Corn		1	14	30	55	2	9	20	52	17
Soybeans	1	4	12	55	28	1	9	29	50	11
Apples		1	6	63	30	4	6	36	52	2
Peaches		1	2	69	28	5	9	34	48	4

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING August 18, 2013

Condition	Maryland				Delaware			
	Topsoil Moisture		Subsoil Moisture		Topsoil Moisture		Subsoil Moisture	
	Aug 18	Aug 11						
	<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	1	2	3	2	0	0	0	1
Short	7	8	7	9	6	2	3	2
Adequate	83	74	88	84	72	73	77	65
Surplus	9	16	2	5	22	25	20	32

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING August 18, 2013

Station	Precipitation ¹			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>
Maryland							
Baltimore/Washington AP	0.35	25.57	-0.43	90	53	72	-5
Damascus	0.90	32.99	7.10	87	54	71	-4
Frostburg	1.33	27.69	-3.63	80	46	63	-5
Hagerstown	0.76	19.00	-5.72	86	51	69	-5
Mechanicsville	1.15	31.93	2.94	86	53	69	-6
Patuxent River	0.61	28.72	1.99	86	55	72	-4
Ocean City	0.08	35.34	6.18	86	50	71	-5
Salisbury	0.02	39.16	9.93	90	54	74	-3
Sharpsburg	0.40	23.48	-1.62	86	48	67	-5
Stevensville	0.54	32.01	4.98	85	55	72	-4
Washington DC Reagan National	0.50	28.03	3.54	92	60	75	-4
Delaware							
Dover	0.79	31.97	3.96	86	55	71	-6
Georgetown	0.03	41.16	12.92	88	54	72	-3
Wilmington	3.13	35.70	9.30	87	53	71	-5

¹ Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M. on recorded date.