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Excellent Week for Field Work: Delaware had 5.0 and Maryland had 5.5 days suitable for field work. In some areas of Maryland, corn and soybeans harvested seems a bit slow compare to the 5 year average. In Delaware, corn has gone through the dented stage and is nearly mature while lima beans are nearly finished being harvested and barley is starting to emerge. Temperatures for this week will range from the low 60's to mid 70's. Showers are expected on Wednesday with 90% chance and Thursday with 30% chance. Field activities should include harvesting grains, and planting wheat and barley.

MD Moisture for Week Ending October 12th, 2014 (100% total)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Subsoil	1%	9%	89%	1%
Topsoil	1%	11%	85%	3%

MD Crop Condition (in %):

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	1	2	7	58	32
Pasture	2	12	24	39	23
Soybean	2	4	18	51	25

MD Crop Progress (in %):

	October 12th	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa 4 th Cutting	85	N/A*	86
Alfalfa 5 th Cutting	34	N/A*	n/a
Apples Harvested	73	N/A*	84
Barley Planted	50	N/A*	67
Corn Mature	94	N/A*	97
Corn Harvested for Grain	44	N/A*	66
Corn Harvested for Silage	94	N/A*	98
Lima Beans Harvested	93	N/A*	95
Other Hay 3 rd Cutting	62	N/A*	91
Other hay 4 th Cutting	16	N/A*	27
Soybean Coloring	91	N/A*	87
Soybean Dropping Leaves	54	N/A*	63
Soybean Mature	33	N/A*	n/a
Soybean Harvested	13	N/A*	16
Winter Wheat	36	N/A*	41

DE Moisture for Week Ending October 12th, 2014
(100% total)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Subsoil	7	36	57	0
Topsoil	5	18	72	5

DE Crop Condition (in %):

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	2	4	19	54	20
Pasture	4	16	42	33	5
Soybean	3	13	25	41	18

Hay and Roughage Supplies

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
MD	1	17	77	5
DE	0	0	71	29

DE Crop Progress (in %):

	October 12th	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa 4 th Cutting	63	N/A*	84
Alfalfa 5 th Cutting	9	N/A*	n/a
Apples Harvested	85	N/A*	87
Corn Dented	95	N/A*	n/a
Corn Mature	85	N/A*	99
Corn Harvested for Grain	55	N/A*	81
Corn for Silage	86	N/A*	98
Barley Planted	31	N/A*	51
Barley Emerged	9	N/A*	n/a
Lima Beans Harvested	91	N/A*	n/a
Other Hay 4 th Cutting	31	N/A*	53
Soybeans Fully Podded	82	N/A*	n/a
Soybeans Coloring	76	N/A*	89
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	66	N/A*	72
Soybeans Mature	43	N/A*	n/a
Soybeans Harvested	6	N/A*	13
Tomatoes Harvested	93	N/A*	100
Winter Wheat Planted	5	N/A*	26

* Due to a lapse in federal funding in October 2013, the Crop Progress reports for the weeks ending October 6, 2013 and October 13, 2013 were canceled. Therefore, previous year estimates for the corresponding weeks will not be available. Five-year average estimates will reflect the years 2009-2013 using published estimates for 2009-2012 and imputed estimates for 2013.

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October 13, 2014 Maryland and Delaware Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2014					
		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	76	39	58	0	0.97	4	30.98	+7.79	62	3576	+179	5493
	Beltsville	75	40	57	-2	0.80	4	28.68	+3.62	71	3481	0	5394
	Brighton_Dam	72	39	56	-2	0.79	4	29.48	+3.92	63	3144	-72	5037
	Cumberland	74	39	55	-3	1.19	3	24.22	+2.77	74	3274	+126	5161
	Emmitsburg	72	35	54	-4	0.75	3	31.05	+5.49	71	2983	-221	4878
	Frostburg	68	37	50	-3	1.67	4	23.81	-1.34	80	2275	+142	4080
	Hagerstown_AP	73	40	57	+1	0.53	3	24.76	+2.04	65	3352	+162	5250
	Mechanicsville	73	36	57	-3	1.90	4	20.98	-5.41	70	3404	-118	5319
	Millers_4NE	71	37	56	-2	0.64	4	25.84	+1.70	80	3038	-9	4932
	Ocean_City_AP	78	41	62	+2	0.17	3	19.77	-5.49	52	3458	-212	5370
	Oxon_Hill	76	39	58	-2	0.74	3	26.74	+1.26	66	3685	+182	5611
	Patuxent_River	80	45	64	+3	0.65	3	22.75	-1.34	61	3770	-28	5695
	Reisterstown	72	36	54	-5	0.65	3	28.07	+3.79	80	2953	-387	4852
	Salisbury_AP	80	44	64	+4	0.61	3	18.00	-7.55	49	4044	+473	5975
	Savage_River_Da	66	37	51	-2	1.44	3	18.76	-4.70	62	2426	+94	4259
	Sharpsburg_5S	74	33	54	-2	0.64	4	29.26	+5.86	74	2926	-12	4796
	Sines_Deep_Cree	64	35	50	-3	2.20	3	30.95	+3.30	96	2103	-77	3894
	Stevensville	76	47	60	+2	0.75	3	23.82	-1.24	71	3683	+135	5608
	Washington_DC_A	80	49	64	+3	0.63	3	24.75	+2.82	62	4386	+452	6329
Delaware	Dover_AFB	75	44	60	-2	0.70	3	20.90	-5.45	60	3540	-164	5451
	Georgetown_AP	78	44	62	+4	0.90	3	24.75	-0.29	61	3735	+402	5657
	Wilmington_DE	75	41	59	+1	0.79	3	29.81	+5.58	60	3547	+166	5467

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.

Sussex County, DE – Harry Hudson

Lima bean harvest wrapping up and corn harvest past midway point slower than normal due to high yields and handling grain. Soybean harvest starting up.

Baltimore County, MD – David Martin

Corn harvest is slowed due to relatively high kernel moisture and no incentive from low price

Harford County, MD – Patricia Hoopes

It appears that the harvest season is going well. Corn yields seem to be higher than expected in general.

Montgomery & Howard Counties, MD - Charles Schuster

0.5 inches of rain fell during the reporting period. Corn harvest has been strong, with yields dependent on soil conditions when corn was planted and the first weeks thereafter.

Soybean growth on double crop has been slowed by cooler temperature. Apple harvest is going well. Brown Marmorated Stink Bugs have become very noticeable in the recent weeks. Little damage is being noted on corn, but growth regulation effect of soybeans is being noticed on field perimeter. Barley planting is mostly completed and wheat planting is going strong. Soybean harvest is now going strong.

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