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# Crop Progress & Condition



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**Good Week for Field Work:** Maryland had 4.5 days and Delaware had 5.0 days suitable for field work. In both States farmers have been early harvesting winter wheat while planting activities slowed down once again due to heavy rain. In Delaware soybeans emerge behind and in Maryland is ahead of schedule compare to last year. Highest temperature 94°F, average 65°F, Lowest 56°F. Field work activities included some vegetable & fruits planting, and hay cutting when weather conditions permitted.

## MD Crop Progress as of June 21, 2015 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
BARLEY: MATURE	59	N/A	60	N/A
BARLEY: HARVESTED	30	N/A	20	56
BEANS, LIMA: PLANTED	47	40	47	73
CANTALOUPE: PLANTED	79	78	94	91
CUCUMBERS: PLANTED	69	68	94	87
GREEN PEAS: HARVESTED	9	<5	70	75
HAY, ALFALFA: FIRST CUTTING	81	80	86	97
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	49	30	24	46
HAY, OTHER: FIRST CUTTING	88	86	74	94
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	9	<5	<5	28
SNAP BEANS: PLANTED	67	58	81	84
SOYBEANS: PLANTED	86	79	79	83
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	74	66	61	69
STRAWBERRIES: HARVESTED	92	82	91	92
SWEET CORN: PLANTED	90	84	93	91
TOMATOES: PLANTED	82	79	82	93
WATERMELONS: PLANTED	78	76	99	94
WINTER WHEAT: COLORING	98	73	76	94
WINTER WHEAT: MATURE	49	N/A	34	N/A
WINTER WHEAT: HARVESTED	6	N/A	N/A	N/A

## MD Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 21, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	0	1	79	20
SUBSOIL	0	3	85	12

## MD Crop Conditions as of June 21, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	0	4	8	81	7
BARLEY	4	8	19	55	14
HAY, ALFALFA	0	1	12	56	31
HAY, OTHER	1	8	15	53	23
PASTURE & RANGE	0	3	15	54	28
PEACHES	0	1	10	74	15
WINTER WHEAT	1	4	16	69	10

**DE Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 21, 2015**

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	4	9	79	8
SUBSOIL	3	10	77	10

**DE Crop Conditions as of June 21, 2015**

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	0	1	27	63	9
BARLEY	3	14	43	31	9
HAY, ALFALFA	1	5	21	58	15
HAY, OTHER	2	4	24	57	13
PASTURE & RANGE	3	10	46	33	8
PEACHES	2	6	28	61	3
WINTER WHEAT	3	10	37	37	13

**Hay and Roughage Supplies as of June 21, 2015**

(in percent)

State	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
MD	1	6	87	6
DE	3	9	70	18

**DE Crop Progress as of June 21, 2015**

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
BARLEY: COLORING	94	76	75	95
BARLEY: MATURE	88	N/A	N/A	N/A
BARLEY: HARVESTED	67	N/A	N/A	N/A
BEANS, LIMA: PLANTED	48	39	63	66
CANTALOUPE: PLANTED	92	90	94	94
CUCUMBERS: PLANTED	59	56	70	78
GREEN PEAS: HARVESTED	16	<5	66	81
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	35	15	8	36
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	31	13	<5	31
SNAP BEANS: PLANTED	66	58	65	79
SOYBEANS: PLANTED	82	77	84	84
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	57	47	69	68
STRAWBERRIES: HARVESTED	84	69	69	92
SWEET CORN: PLANTED	93	86	93	94
TOMATOES: PLANTED	87	83	88	96
WINTER WHEAT: COLORING	92	72	83	95
WINTER WHEAT: MATURE	73	N/A	39	N/A

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## June 21, 2015 Maryland and Delaware Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2015					
		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	93	68	79	+7	3.53	5	14.68	+5.39	32	1305	+341	2095
	Beltsville	90	67	78	+6	2.86	7	12.92	+2.53	38	1257	+283	2044
	Brighton_Dam	89	65	77	+6	2.45	5	15.70	+4.74	35	1115	+210	1890
	Cumberland	87	62	75	+5	2.90	6	10.40	+1.05	42	1138	+230	1933
	Emmitsburg	88	65	77	+6	3.69	5	12.78	+1.35	33	1078	+169	1857
	Frostburg	80	56	69	+5	3.93	6	12.30	+0.81	45	807	+289	1521
	Hagerstown_AP	89	66	78	+8	2.14	5	8.83	-1.34	35	1309	+404	2102
	Mechanicsville	90	68	78	+6	2.72	5	13.73	+3.08	34	1191	+148	1979
	Millers_4NE	87	64	76	+6	2.31	5	9.44	-0.88	32	1177	+332	1956
	Ocean_City_AP	94	67	78	+5	1.41	4	9.77	+0.54	28	1075	-20	1848
	Oxon_Hill	92	68	80	+8	4.54	5	12.63	+2.70	32	1352	+298	2157
	Patuxent_River	94	70	80	+7	4.00	6	11.00	+0.91	30	1341	+244	2139
	Reisterstown	87	60	74	+2	2.56	5	11.92	+1.50	39	1107	+141	1876
	Salisbury_AP	92	68	79	+7	4.63	7	12.00	+2.24	30	1260	+256	2041
	Savage_River_Da	83	60	71	+6	4.58	7	14.23	+4.06	41	833	+243	1567
	Sharpsburg_5S	88	61	76	+6	3.12	3	12.83	+2.72	33	1094	+291	1854
	Sines_Deep_Cree	82	56	70	+6	3.55	7	14.50	+2.43	45	772	+222	1480
Stevensville	92	69	81	+8	2.19	4	10.04	-0.23	29	1300	+294	2096	
Upper_Marlboro	91	68	79	+8	2.87	7	12.21	+1.93	39	1265	+313	2058	
Washington_DC_A	96	72	83	+9	3.82	5	13.18	+4.40	31	1619	+449	2434	
Delaware	Dover_AFB	93	66	78	+5	2.23	5	11.71	+1.28	32	1247	+188	2039
	Georgetown_AP	94	68	79	+8	1.33	6	7.22	-2.54	28	1280	+371	2061
	Wilmington_DE	90	65	77	+6	2.85	6	15.71	+5.69	31	1238	+317	2015

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**

Barley harvest winding down - reports of poor test weights on barley and poor quality grain, Wheat harvest starting up. Pea harvest on the move now. Seeing lima beans sprouting. Was getting dry - rains over the weekend caught most farmers up. Watermelons/cantaloupes taking a beating from rain on West side of county.

### **Baltimore County, MD – Dave Martin**

Good Soil moisture for crop growth.

### **Howard County, MD – Charles Schuster**

2.25+ inches of rain fell in our area during the last reporting period. This moisture slowed forage harvest. Barley has been harvested in most areas at this point. Wheat is mature and early harvest has just started. Blueberries are currently being harvested. Pastures are rebounding with the moisture and the cooler temperatures that have been experienced in the last 7 day.

### **Montgomery County, MD – Charles Schuster**

1.75+ inches of rain fell in this area during the last reporting period. This moisture slowed forage harvest. Barley has been harvested in most areas at this point. Wheat is mature and early harvest has just started. Blueberries are currently being harvested. Pastures are rebounding with the moisture and the cooler temperatures that have been experienced in the last 7 day.

### **Saint Mary's County, MD – Ben Beale**

Continued rains are providing needed moisture for corn and soybean crops, some areas are seeing ponding and flooding issues. Barley and wheat harvest is progressing well. Heavy rains and wind has resulted in some lodging. Producer are harvesting blueberries, raspberries and blackberries. Vegetable crops are being harvested from high tunnels, with field production of squash and cuke coming off now.