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Good Week for Field Work: Maryland had an average of 5.5 days and Delaware had an average of 4.5 days suitable for fieldwork. Precipitations were average for the region, Maryland reported a maximum of 4.20 inches of rain while Delaware reported 2.70 inches of rain within two days periods. Again, harvesting activities affected by rain, with some areas of flooding reported in Delaware. Apple harvested progress in Maryland is nearly close compare to last year. In Delaware, Apple harvested progress is 9% higher from last week, but Corn for Grain harvested is behind schedule compared to last year's progress. Temperatures in the region reached a high at 79° F and a low at 38°F. Last week, field work activities included hay cutting, corn for grain, soybean, lime bean, sweet potatoes, harvesting and barley and winter wheat planting.

MD Crop Progress as of October 9, 2016 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	73	66	75	77
BARLEY: PLANTED	59	27	53	55
CORN: MATURE	100	92	95	96
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	60	34	62	58
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	95	90	83	82
SOYBEANS: COLORING	94	74	94	85
SOYBEANS: DROPPING LEAVES	84	56	78	59
SOYBEANS: MATURE	65	37	54	46
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	20	<5	8	10
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	17	10	40	35
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	8	N/A	<5	11

MD Soil Moisture for Week Ending October 9, 2016 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	3	4	78	15
SUBSOIL	6	10	74	10

MD Crop Conditions as of October 9, 2016 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN	1	2	20	46	31
PASTURE & RANGE	2	11	28	54	5
SOYBEANS	3	7	16	63	11

DE Soil Moisture for Week Ending October 9, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	3	10	29	58
SUBSOIL	2	5	36	57

DE Crop Conditions as of October 9, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
PASTURE & RANGE	9	24	30	28	9
SOYBEANS	14	17	22	32	15

Hay and Roughage Supplies as of October 9, 2016

(in percent)

State	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
MD	1	8	88	3
DE	0	4	70	26

DE Crop Progress as of October 9, 2016

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	94	85	92	86
BARLEY: PLANTED	30	16	39	39
BEANS, LIMA: HARVESTED	93	80	98	93
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	64	51	83	75
CORN FOR SILAGE: HARVESTED	92	79	98	94
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	85	83	88	80
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	56	39	71	50
SOYBEANS: COLORING	94	74	92	85
SOYBEANS: DROPPING LEAVES	76	60	74	62
SOYBEANS: MATURE	24	15	53	40
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	10	5	22	18

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October 10, 2016 Maryland and Delaware Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2016					
		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	53	64	+6	0.19	1	23.86	+0.98	72	3966	+585	5841
	Beltsville_HYD	74	51	63	+4	0.68	3	25.37	+0.66	90	3649	+186	5490
	Brighton_Dam	73	49	62	+5	0.23	3	29.91	+4.85	63	3565	+364	5416
	Cumberland	77	49	61	+5	1.47	2	22.93	+1.76	77	3664	+530	5508
	Emmitsburg	77	47	61	+3	0.11	3	23.51	-1.70	67	3405	+217	5239
	Frostburg	69	42	56	+4	1.52	2	27.18	+2.36	84	2739	+613	4511
	Hagerstown_AP	77	47	63	+6	0.14	2	16.87	-5.52	74	3961	+786	5825
	Mechanicsville	72	52	63	+4	2.58	1	35.78	+9.78	74	3554	+51	5412
	Millers_4NE	75	45	61	+3	0.20	2	29.33	+5.53	81	3425	+393	5267
	Ocean_City_AP	76	54	68	+7	4.20	2	37.91	+13.00	77	3774	+127	5629
	Oxon_Hill	76	55	64	+4	0.69	1	23.48	-1.67	70	4014	+532	5889
	Patuxent_River	76	54	67	+5	2.74	1	25.40	+1.64	69	4154	+381	6040
	Reisterstown	72	48	61	+3	0.22	2	24.99	+1.06	74	3388	+66	5211
	Salisbury_AP	79	53	67	+7	2.88	2	42.08	+16.90	85	3947	+396	5816
	Savage_River_Da	71	44	57	+4	1.39	2	22.60	-0.57	63	2897	+573	4691
	Sharpsburg_5S	77	45	62	+7	0.28	2	27.59	+4.54	69	3419	+492	5251
	Sines_Deep_Cree	68	38	55	+2	1.23	2	29.08	+1.76	98	2572	+400	4342
Stevensville	72	56	64	+5	1.76	2	31.76	+7.06	73	4031	+502	5894	
Upper_Marlboro	75	53	63	+6	0.85	3	25.59	+1.04	84	3853	+531	5718	
Washington_DC_A	78	56	67	+6	0.34	1	20.16	-1.47	70	4508	+598	6402	
Delaware	Dover_AFB	75	52	65	+4	1.53	2	35.56	+9.55	75	3944	+263	5814
	Georgetown_AP	76	52	66	+7	2.45	2	36.14	+11.45	74	3953	+639	5819
	Wilmington_DE	77	51	64	+5	0.83	2	26.41	+2.50	65	3882	+517	5754

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.

Baltimore County, MD – David Martin

Fall weather is evident but we have not seen frost yet

Frederick & Howard Counties, MD – Charles Schuster

Good soil moisture has helped pastures recover in the last reporting period. Corn harvest continues and some soybeans have been done. Corn yields continue to be average with few fields doing only slightly above average. Soybeans have dropped leaves with the cooler temperatures. Wheat planting has started in some areas

Harford County, MD – Patricia Hoopes

Farmers are working on the corn harvest. We had a nice rain from the storm and some pretty good winds, but no major problems that I know of.

Montgomery, MD – Charles Schuster

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Kent County, DE – Lauren Huber

Corn and Soybean harvest has been in full swing again after all the rain we received through the past two weeks. There has been a good amount of flooding in our area with some receiving anywhere from 10-15 inches of rain. This weekend we received 2 additional inches of precipitation.

Sussex County, DE – Harry Hudson III

Still drying up from the week before. Corn harvest held up. Soybean harvest is a question. Fall vegetables wiped out from rain (Spinach/Broccoli).

Sussex County, DE - John Timmons

Over the last 2 weeks we have had over 15 inches of rain. Farmers were able to harvest corn 3 days on the higher fields with better drainage. I was amazed how well the wet soils held up the combines. You can see lodged corn in spots of the fields. Turnips and leafy green disease is heavy following the heavy rains. I am sure the wetness will impact the quality of sweet potatoes still in the field.