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Good/Excellent Week for Field Work: According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Maryland, there were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 15, 2019. In Delaware, there were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Maryland's Topsoil moisture supplies were 37 percent very short, 26 percent short, 37 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 38 percent very short, 21 percent short, 41 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Delaware's topsoil moisture supplies were 10 percent very short, 71 percent short, 19 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 50 percent very short, 25 percent short, 25 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Pasture conditions for Maryland ranged from 3 percent very poor, 11 percent poor, 38 percent fair, 44 percent good, and 4 percent excellent. Pasture conditions for Delaware ranged from 2 percent very poor, 27 percent poor, 35 percent fair, 28 percent good, and 8 percent excellent.

MD Crop Progress as of September 15, 2019 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	36	31	41	43
CORN: DENTED	91	86	78	82
CORN: MATURE	61	32	49	N/A
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	10	N/A	<5	N/A
CORN AVERAGE HEIGHT: (IN.)	97	96	94	N/A
CUCUMBERS: HARVESTED	93	92	96	93
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	67	47	40	66
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	58	57	60	58
SNAP BEANS: HARVESTED	95	93	N/A	N/A
SOYBEANS: SETTING PODS	97	93	91	94
SOYBEANS: FULLY PODDED	93	72	71	76
SOYBEANS: COLORING	24	N/A	N/A	N/A
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	92	88	92	N/A
TOMATOES: HARVESTED	92	86	95	89
WATERMELONS: HARVESTED	92	86	94	90

MD Soil Moisture for Week Ending September 15, 2019 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	37	26	37	0
SUBSOIL	38	21	41	0

MD Crop Conditions as of September 15, 2019 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	1	1	5	44	49
CORN	0	12	31	43	14
HAY, ALFALFA	1	4	10	65	20
HAY, OTHER	2	5	42	46	5
PASTURE AND RANGE	3	11	38	44	4
SOYBEANS	1	15	38	37	9

DE Soil Moisture for Week Ending September 15, 2019

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	10	71	19	0
SUBSOIL	50	25	25	0

DE Crop Conditions as of September 15, 2019

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN	15	21	32	20	12
HAY, ALFALFA	1	14	36	40	9
HAY, OTHER	1	12	41	36	10
PASTURE AND RANGE	2	27	35	28	8
SOYBEANS	4	22	48	16	10

DE Crop Progress as of September 15, 2019

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	65	50	57	61
BEANS, LIMA: HARVESTED	76	72	66	69
CORN: DENTED	87	71	85	90
CORN: MATURE	53	16	49	72
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	12	N/A	9	20
CORN AVERAGE HEIGHT: (IN.)	82	81	100	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	95	92	N/A	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	38	12	80	55
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	84	75	93	83
SOYBEANS: SETTING PODS	96	94	95	96
SOYBEANS: FULLY PODDED	58	37	65	68
TOMATOES: HARVESTED	96	93	96	93

September 15, 2019 Maryland and Delaware Weekly Weather Summary

State	Station	Air Temperature Last Week					Precipitation				
		Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Delaware	NORTHERN										
	Wilmington New Castle Co Ap	84.3	64.9	74.57	69.33	5.24	0.18	2.0	-0.81	0.88	-2.35
	Extreme/Average	84.3	64.9	74.57	69.33	5.24	0.18	2	-0.81	0.88	-2.35
	SOUTHERN										
	Georgetown-Delaware Coastal Airport	84.6	64.3	74.43	69.89	4.54	0.05	1.0	-1.02	2.42	-1.51
	Extreme/Average	84.6	64.3	74.43	69.89	4.54	0.05	1	-1.02	2.42	-1.51
	STATE TOTAL	84.5	64.4	74.46	69.77	4.69	0.08	1	-0.97	2.08	-1.70
Maryland	SOUTHEASTERN SHORE										
	Ocean City Municipal Ap	79.9	66.7	73.29	69.81	3.47	1.38	3.0	0.48	5.36	2.03
	Salisbury-Wicomico Regional Airport	84.6	64.3	74.43	69.64	4.79	0.05	3.0	-0.92	3.13	-0.53
	Extreme/Average	82.2	65.5	73.86	69.72	4.13	0.71	3	-0.22	4.25	0.75
	LOWER SOUTHERN										
	Mechanicsville 5 Ne	80.3	62.0	71.14	68.04	3.1	0.12	1.0	-0.86	2.48	-1.13
	Patuxent River Nas	85.4	68.7	77.07	71.61	5.46	0.06	2.0	-0.93	0.61	-2.84
	Extreme/Average	82.8	65.3	74.10	69.83	4.28	0.09	2	-0.90	1.54	-1.98
	UPPER SOUTHERN										
	Baltimore-Washington International Airport	87.3	65.7	76.5	69.31	7.19	0.15	2.0	-0.77	1.5	-1.71
	Oxon Hill	85.3	64.7	75.0	71.3	3.7	0.07	2.0	-0.84	1.28	-2.28
	National Arboretum Dc	86.6	66.6	76.57	71.87	4.7	N/A	0.0	-0.88	1.91	-1.16
	Extreme/Average	86.4	65.7	76.02	70.83	5.20	0.11	2	-0.83	1.56	-1.72
	NORTHEASTERN SHORE										
	Stevensville 2Sw	83.0	66.9	74.93	70.74	4.19	0.02	1.0	N/A	1.1	N/A
	Extreme/Average	83.0	66.9	74.93	70.74	4.19	0.02	1	N/A	1.10	N/A
	NORTHERN CENTRAL										
	Emmitsburg 2 Se	82.3	60.3	71.29	66.49	4.8	0.24	2.0	-0.8	2.19	-1.37
	Millers 4 Ne	82.9	62.0	72.43	66.31	6.11	0.6	4.0	-0.46	3.48	-0.33
	Reisterstown 2 Nw	82.6	60.1	71.36	N/A	N/A	0.13	1.0	N/A	1.6	N/A
	Extreme/Average	82.6	60.8	71.69	66.40	5.46	0.32	4	-0.63	2.42	-0.85
	APPALACHIAN MOUNTAIN										
	Cumberland 2	84.9	61.0	72.93	68.87	4.06	0.29	1.0	-0.48	1.75	-1.17
	Frostburg 2	77.9	58.3	68.07	62.57	5.5	0.69	4.0	-0.19	4.41	1.09
	Hagerstown Washington County Regional Ap	83.9	65.1	74.5	67.24	7.26	0.33	2.0	-0.47	1.64	-1.28
	Extreme/Average	82.2	61.5	71.83	66.23	5.61	0.44	4	-0.38	2.60	-0.45
	ALLEGHENY PLATEAU										
	Savage River Dam	78.6	56.1	67.36	63.49	3.87	0.07	1.0	-0.72	2.16	-0.95
	Sines Deep Creek	80.2	55.2	67.7	N/A	N/A	0.1	2.0	N/A	1.4	N/A
	Extreme/Average	79.4	55.7	67.53	63.49	3.87	0.09	2	-0.72	1.78	-0.95
	STATE TOTAL	82.7	62.6	72.67	67.82	4.90	0.30	3	-0.56	2.35	-0.76

DFN = Departure from normal.

Weather summary provided by the Southern Regional Climate Center, <https://climdata.srcc.lsu.edu>.

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.

Caroline County, MD – James Lewis

2% beans harvested.

Howard & Montgomery Counties, MD – Charles Schuster

Continued dry conditions are affecting pasture forage condition. Corn harvest has started and is proceeding well. Apple harvest continues to show the quality for most growers, while some areas had received hail and damage is noted. Corn for silage is mostly complete for the year (there is not a great deal of it in this reporting area).

Sussex County, DE – Harry T Hudson III

Corn being cut full speed. Soybeans are turning yellow in the field.

Sussex County, DE - John Timmons

Corn harvest in full gear. Aerial seeding of cover crop mainly rye grain has begun in standing corn.