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Fair Week for Field Work: Pennsylvania had an average of 3.5 days suitable for field work last week. A cool and wet week limited field activities but didn't prevent harvests of corn, soybeans and apples occurring whenever weather permitted. Grape harvests expect to continue for another 2-3 weeks with some later varieties expected to mature in early November. More cold and wet weather forecast for early this week with showers Tuesday and Wednesday. Expect temperatures to rise slowly as we approach the weekend, getting up close to 70 as the sun fights through the clouds. Expected field activities include planting, harvesting and machine maintenance.

PA Soil Moisture for Week Ending October 19th, 2014 (equal to 100%)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Subsoil	7	11	76	6
Topsoil	7	7	81	5

Crop Condition (in %):

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	3	14	53	30
Pasture and Range	6	11	36	38	9
Quality of Hay Made	1	8	31	39	21
Soybeans	0	1	12	59	28

Crop Progress (in %):

	Oct 19 th	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa 4 th Cutting	83	91	90
Apples Harvested	85	90	92
Barley Planted	75	88	84
Barley Emerged	67	70	57
Corn Mature	93	92	90
Corn Harvested for Grain	28	43	41
Corn Harvested for Silage	91	94	93
Fall Tillage	71	-	-
Grapes Harvested	68	-	-
Other Hay 3 rd Cutting	93	100	100
Potatoes Harvested	84	99	95
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	89	-	-
Soybeans Harvested	35	43	36
Winter Wheat Planted	73	69	63
Winter Wheat Emerged	57	54	39

For a complete nationwide weekly weather and crop bulletin, please visit www.usda.gov/oce/weather and click on "[Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin](#)."

October 19, 2014 Pennsylvania Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2014					
		Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
Region	Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Northwest	Clarion	79	30	55	+7	1.26	5	33.60	+4.16	105	2298	+67	4139
	Erie	81	43	59	+7	1.93	6	25.11	-0.58	81	2827	+130	4695
	Franklin_AG	81	33	56	+7	1.21	6	37.33	+9.58	103	2558	+86	4433
	Meadville-Port	78	38	57	+8	1.24	7	31.65	+5.04	99	2599	+308	4482
	Springboro	79	29	55	+7	1.85	7	35.27	10.17	97	2237	-83	4035
	Warren	78	33	56	+7	1.33	5	32.41	+4.93	93	2438	+73	4280
North Central	Bradford_Region	73	33	55	+9	1.32	6	30.96	+3.67	85	1987	+223	3755
	Coudersport_1SW	71	25	54	+7	1.25	6	31.84	+5.21	99	1918	+60	3637
	Kane	76	25	55	+10	1.33	6	37.35	+9.42	88	1860	+345	3611
	Laporte	66	34	54	+7	2.67	4	32.43	+8.30	85	1969	-52	3725
	Lock_Haven	74	34	58	+8	1.78	4	25.02	-0.72	81	2676	+54	4572
	Oswayo	73	26	54	+8	1.14	6	28.30	+2.63	80	1819	+11	3536
	Renovo	75	34	57	+6	1.71	6	26.14	+2.07	92	2644	+48	4543
	Ridgway	77	30	56	+9	1.53	5	32.48	+5.31	98	2260	+357	4080
	Stevenson_Dam	72	33	57	+8	1.85	4	25.41	-0.73	83	2349	-26	4171
	Towanda	76	30	58	+9	2.21	4	20.53	-0.88	71	2429	+42	4258
	Wellsboro	70	27	54	+7	1.51	5	26.63	+5.08	89	1932	+99	3693
	Williamsport_AP	74	41	60	+10	1.58	4	25.28	+0.14	79	3070	+341	5000
Northeast	Hawley	77	31	56	+9	2.17	5	27.69	+2.87	82	2181	+127	3979
	Milanville	75	35	59	+11	2.22	5	24.08	-0.74	71	2448	+394	4298
	Susquehanna	75	33	58	+10	2.29	5	24.21	-1.37	79	2339	+147	4156
	Wilkes-Barre	77	41	62	+12	3.00	2	18.50	-5.04	68	3026	+365	4934
West Central	Butler	80	30	56	+8	1.09	6	31.52	+5.44	94	2511	+184	4402
	New_Castle_Ag	81	32	58	+7	0.91	6	29.86	+5.69	96	2868	+248	4777
	Slippery_Rock	83	31	57	+9	0.94	5	34.07	+7.93	98	2751	+623	4662
Central	Altoona_AP	72	39	57	+6	1.82	4	27.15	+4.88	81	2745	+74	4670
	Du_Bois	74	37	56	+7	1.09	5	32.38	+6.23	90	2529	+302	4409
	Lewistown	73	38	59	+8	2.95	4	31.47	+6.73	83	2930	+135	4867
	Middletown	76	45	62	+8	1.04	4	26.74	+2.88	75	3546	+274	5526
	Prince_Gallitzi	72	37	56	+7	1.23	6	25.10	+1.46	97	2377	+57	4239
	Selinsgrove_2S	75	36	60	+9	1.57	3	24.58	-0.98	75	2831	+128	4732
	State_College_P	72	38	57	+7	2.04	5	32.19	+8.65	90	2638	+90	4548
East Central	Allentown-Bethl	79	45	62	+11	1.51	2	26.51	-0.50	68	3218	+420	5149
	Lehighton	74	36	59	+10	3.47	6	30.21	+0.61	84	2601	+183	4490
	Mt_Pocono	69	36	57	+11	2.75	4	25.75	-3.11	73	2257	+495	4088
Southwest	Pittsburgh_Alle	82	40	60	+10	1.21	5	25.83	+2.92	88	3259	+706	5232
	Chalk_Hill	76	34	55	+6	1.64	6	33.90	+2.34	100	2285	+42	4120
	Connellsville_A	82	37	59	+7	1.57	5	32.17	+5.91	98	2954	+215	4890
	Indiana_3SE	81	33	58	+6	0.99	5	28.24	-0.09	103	2541	-33	4433
	Meyersdale	71	35	54	+5	1.99	6	25.53	-0.32	91	2114	-37	3935
	Pittsburgh_Intl	79	40	59	+7	0.70	4	25.45	+2.59	86	3067	+233	5023
	Waynesburg	80	34	57	+7	1.19	5	23.02	-0.75	92	2731	+123	4649
South Central	Biglerville	76	38	59	+9	2.94	4	28.21	+2.43	66	3137	+364	5083
	Everett	72	40	57	+7	2.65	5	21.92	-1.07	81	2350	-157	4224
	Hanover	75	39	61	+7	1.62	4	28.23	+6.14	75	2967	-248	4911
	Harrisburg_AP	78	46	63	+10	1.15	3	26.73	+2.87	73	3282	+10	5251
	South_Mountain	71	38	56	+3	2.23	4	28.31	-0.50	79	2429	-582	4313
	York_AP	77	46	62	+8	1.20	4	24.76	-0.49	76	3072	-92	5019
Southeast	Doylestown_AG	77	40	61	+6	1.14	2	25.11	-2.99	61	3149	-244	5086
	Green_Lane	77	41	61	+10	1.13	3	26.76	+0.59	67	3134	+326	5072
	Hamburg	75	40	60	+9	3.71	4	31.92	+3.83	73	3015	+108	4944
	Lancaster_AP	76	45	62	+9	4.48	3	28.57	+2.45	75	3136	+70	5085
	Neshaminy_Falls	79	36	61	+8	1.74	3	26.06	-4.13	68	3273	+132	5217
	New_Holland	78	43	61	+10	3.15	3	32.16	+3.77	73	3318	+541	5280
	Philadelphia_AP	79	51	66	+9	0.92	2	26.61	+2.12	58	3959	+335	5954
	Philadelphia_NE	80	51	66	+12	1.50	2	25.11	-5.08	70	3853	+712	5836
	Reading_AP	78	47	64	+11	3.51	4	27.61	+0.95	76	3448	+346	5416
	Sellersville	78	42	60	+8	1.54	2	29.50	+0.08	66	2900	-18	4810
	West_Chester	79	44	61	+8	0.92	2	26.80	-0.90	77	3072	-27	4998

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.

ADAMS County, Judy A. Behney

Adams County had a very wet week of weather. Monday was drizzling most of the day enough to make things wet. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday had additional accumulation of rain anywhere from 2.5 to 4 inches of rainfall around the county. We are plenty wet for now. Temperatures were warmer than usual for this time of the year. Today the sun is out and to be in the 70's but weekend temperatures will only be in the 60's. Corn and soybeans continue to mature. Some corn and soybeans are still pretty green and need additional growing days. Not much corn and soybeans have been harvested this week due to the wet weather. Wheat and small grain plantings were halted to this week but what was seeded last week is now emerged. Other cover crops have been planted and are emerged now also. Hay making has been slow this week too due to wet weather. Apples continue to be harvested in the county and good yields are being reported. Wet weather makes for loading areas not as good as producers would like them to be. Stink bugs are apparent in the county also affecting some apples. Some vegetables are still being harvested also around the county. Overall the producers are pretty busy in the fields when field conditions permit and otherwise keep busy keeping equipment repairs up so when time is right they are ready to get in the fields.

ADAMS/FRANKLIN County, Thomas Kerr

Rain last week halted any field work for several days. Lots of corn standing to be shelled but waiting to dry for storage. Apples nearly all finished, and quality and color has been good this season. Nothing but light frost so far.

ADAMS County, Lee Showalter

Apple harvest has been disrupted by rain during the past week. Red and Golden Delicious harvest is virtually completed. Yorks and Romes are being harvested currently. Fuji harvest will start in coming week. Quality has been good.

ALLEGHENY/BUTLER/BEAVER

Plenty of comments about wildlife damage to crops this fall, particularly soybeans. Rain this week stalled harvest and wheat plantings.

CENTRE County, Dick A. Decker

Wet week. 2.5 inches of rain fall.

CLARION/FOREST/VENANGO County, Tom Tanner

Harvesting soybeans.

JUNIATA/SNYDER County, William C. Sheaffer

Rainfall on Tuesday in the range of 2 - 3 inches slowed the field activities. The emerged winter grains are looking good. The main activities for the week were planting, harvesting and machine maintenance.

LANCASTER County, Jeff Graybill

Light frost across the county morning of Oct 29th. Very little fieldwork occurred last week due to poor weather, farmers hoping to play catch up this week. Corn mostly standing well after heavy rain and strong wind last week.

MERCER County, Jim Rust

Multiple frosts during the week. Rains have slowed down soybean harvest to a halt. Some field corn has been harvested.

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