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Agricultural News: The month of January was mostly cold with wintry conditions. Winter Storm Jonas moved through and brought up to three and a half feet of snow; Governor Tomblin declared a State of Emergency on Friday, January 22nd. The end of the month had warmer temperatures. Farming activities for the month included the dormant pruning of fruit trees, except for peach trees, checking on livestock, and cleaning up after the heavy snows; barns and commercial buildings were damaged and there were also reports of animal injuries and deaths.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 01/31/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	2	59	39
Subsoil	1	4	71	24
Hay & Roughage	-	6	90	4
Feed grain	-	3	95	2

-Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 01/31/16

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Winter wheat	5	17	24	46	8
Cattle & Calves	-	2	24	69	5
Sheep & Lambs	-	2	25	70	3

- Represents zero.

January Summary of Weather and Agricultural Conditions January 4 - 31, 2016

Cold temperatures and winter weather conditions moved into West Virginia in January. The month was mostly cold and Winter Storm Jonas moved through the State on Friday, January 22nd. For the week ending **January 10th**, temperatures were at or just below normal for all areas this week. Bluefield was the coldest compared to average, at 4 degrees below the weekly average, while Parkersburg, Clarksburg, and Beckley had weekly average temperatures equal to the weekly normal. Multiple storm systems bringing cold, Canadian air were responsible for the more seasonable temperatures. Martinsburg had the highest recorded temperature of 58 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of zero degrees. The state average temperature was 31 degrees. Precipitation continued to be above average for the Northern part of the State, with Parkersburg, Clarksburg, and Martinsburg reporting weekly precipitation amounts above their normal amounts. Martinsburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.06 inches. Moorefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.26 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.61 of an inch.

Temperatures were well below normal for the week ending **January 17th**. High temperatures were in the 40s to 50s and lows were mostly in the single digits. The Southern part of the State saw the coldest temperatures with all areas averaging around 7 degrees below normal. Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 59 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of -1 degree. The state average temperature was 28 degrees. Precipitation amounts were down from the previous week, and all regions of the State had below average rainfall. Bluefield had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.81 of an inch. White Sulphur Springs had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.05 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.30 of an inch.

Winter Storm Jonas brought several inches of snow to West Virginia the week ending **January 24th**, schools and colleges were canceled and the snow and ice caused several wrecks in the State along with power outages. Governor Tomblin declared a State of Emergency on Friday, January 22nd. All stations were at least 12 degrees below normal, and Elkins was 18 degrees below normal. Most stations only reached the 30s, and several stations did not reach the freezing mark. Low temperatures were in the single digits or just below zero for all stations. Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 37 degrees. Elkins and Marlinton had the lowest recorded temperature of -5 degrees. The state average temperature was 16 degrees. Precipitation amounts were

far above average and fell as snow. There was near record snowfall statewide. Nearly all stations reported over one inch of precipitation; stations in the Eastern Panhandle approached the two inch mark. Moorefield had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.98 inches. Wheeling had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.13 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.38 inches.

Temperatures across the State returned to near normal for the week ending **January 31st**. Generally, the Western half of the State was above normal and the Eastern half was at or below normal. Most of the stations reached the 60s, which helped melt off some of the snow that the State received the previous week. Low temperatures were mostly in the teens and single digits. Charleston had the highest recorded temperature of 69 degrees. Elkins had the lowest recorded temperature of 2 degrees. The state average temperature was 33 degrees. Precipitation was down from the previous week, and overall was far below average. No stations met or exceeded the weekly normal precipitation, and stations in the Northeastern part of the State received zero recordable precipitation. The Southern parts of the State received the most. Pineville had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.46 of an inch. Martinsburg and Moorefield had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.17 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 01/31/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2015	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	63	21	37		0.08		23.73	31.41	
PARKERSBURG	66	13	37	5	0.03	0.68	24.72	31.66	34.88
CRESTON	66	5	33		0.02		43.09	39.19	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	63	15	36		0.10		24.83	36.23	
CLARKSBURG	62	8	31	0	0.24	0.71	31.07	36.68	38.76
BELINGTON	66	5	31		0.13		28.64	34.78	
WESTON	65	8	33		0.21		32.78	39.95	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	65	20	39		0.45		47.59	45.52	
HUNTINGTON	68	15	39	5	0.19	0.68	33.76	38.01	35.72
CHARLESTON	69	13	37	2	0.28	0.70	42.02	37.53	37.01
RIPLEY	66	10	34		0.19		31.34	33.71	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	60	14	32		0.12		43.22	49.43	
ELKINS	64	2	30	0	0.21	0.73	41.59	39.94	38.89
MARLINTON	56	5	28		0.38		40.34	36.32	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	59	8	31	-1	0.30	0.63	39.44	35.06	34.89
PINEVILLE	61	16	34		0.46		41.60	40.14	
BLUEFIELD	58	13	32	-3	0.11	0.64	39.77	40.09	33.42
WHITE SUL SP	59	8	30		0.10		31.51	34.63	
BLUESTONE DAM	59	12	33		0.19		33.31	31.84	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	59	7	30	-1	0.00	0.58	31.01	36.80	33.00
KEYSER	60	5	29		0.01		34.33	26.65	
MOOREFIELD	60	4	31		0.00		26.45	29.72	
State Average Temperature	33								
State Average Precipitation	0.17								

Sources:
 Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.
 Fruit comments - Stephen S. Miller, Ph.D. Research Horticulturist.

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Agricultural News: The month of February was a mix of cold weather with heavy snow and warm weather with rain, making muddy conditions in fields and pastures. Farming activities included calving, lambing, making plans for the upcoming planting season, and watching livestock for health issues.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 02/28/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	-	77	23
Subsoil	-	6	80	14
Hay & Roughage	1	9	87	3
Feed grain	-	4	93	3

-Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 02/28/16

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Winter wheat	6	20	24	47	3
Cattle & Calves	-	2	17	74	7
Sheep & Lambs	-	2	22	71	5

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 02/28/16

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Calved	24	-	33	30
Lambled	30	-	34	33

- Represents data not available.

February Summary of Weather and Agricultural Conditions February 1 - 28, 2016

Weather conditions fluctuated this month. The beginning of February was warmer, helping the snow to melt further from Winter Storm Jonas in January, then colder weather moved back in bringing more snow and icy conditions to the Mountain State before another warm up. For the week ending **February 7th**, above average temperatures were recorded; all stations ranged from 1 to 7 degrees above normal. Most stations reached the mid 60s during the week. Huntington was the only station to reach the 70s, and some locations in the mountains only reached the 50s. Lows recorded after the cold front passed in the middle of the workweek were in the teens and low 20s. Huntington had the highest recorded temperature of 70 degrees. Moorefield had the lowest recorded temperature of 14 degrees. The state average temperature was 38 degrees. Precipitation amounts varied throughout the State. The Southern and Southeastern part of the State received the most precipitation, while the Northcentral through the Eastern Panhandle got the least. Huntington had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.46 inches. Belington had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.23 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.65 of an inch.

Temperatures dropped considerably the week ending **February 14th**. A 1200 mile storm moved through Georgia to Maine and brought wintry conditions to the State. All stations were at least 11 degrees below normal; Bluefield was 21 degrees below normal and Beckley was 20 degrees below normal. The low temperatures across the State dropped into the single digits above and below zero. Most of the stations only reached the upper 30s to mid 40s for the week. Moorefield had the highest recorded temperature of 49 degrees. Belington had the lowest recorded temperature of -9 degrees. The state average temperature was 18 degrees. Precipitation amounts were varied again; only Elkins and Bluefield exceeded normal, all other stations were below average. The Northeast/Eastern Panhandle areas received the least amount of precipitation and the Central/Northcentral areas received the most. Bluefield had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.15 inches. Keyser had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.13 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.55 of an inch.

Following a week of below normal temperatures area wide, West Virginia saw near or slightly above average temperatures the week ending **February 21st**. All stations except Bluefield reported above normal temperatures; temperatures ranged from zero to 6 degrees from the weekly normal. Generally, Southern parts of the State were slightly cooler overall. Creston, Huntington, Ripley, and Moorefield had the highest recorded temperature of 71 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 15 degrees. The state average temperature was 39 degrees. Precipitation amounts varied throughout the State, but were above weekly normal amounts at every reporting location. All stations except Keyser received at least an inch of rain, with numerous stations receiving 2.00 inches or greater. The state average precipitation was 1.20 inches greater than the previous week. Additionally, there were reports of high water earlier in the week in Lincoln and Tyler Counties, and minor flooding Sunday in some locations. Williamson had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 3.33 inches. Keyser had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.94 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.75 inches.

The week ending **February 28th** continued the trend of above normal temperatures for almost the entire area. With the exception of Bluefield, all stations reported temperatures anywhere from 2 to 7 degrees above the weekly normal. The warmest sites were across Northcentral West Virginia and along the Ohio River. Clarksburg had the highest recorded temperature of 70 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 15 degrees. The state average temperature was 41 degrees. Precipitation was down from the previous week, but three stations reported above normal precipitation. Creston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.14 inches. White Sulphur Springs had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.29 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.76 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 02/28/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2015	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	65	24	40		0.89		26.22	33.77	
PARKERSBURG	67	27	43	6	1.07	0.70	28.49	33.06	37.58
CRESTON	69	25	41		1.14		47.72	41.42	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	68	25	42		0.71		28.84	38.21	
CLARKSBURG	70	25	43	7	0.50	0.76	34.11	38.55	41.90
BELINGTON	68	24	40		0.68		31.83	36.40	
WESTON	69	24	40		0.97		36.41	42.72	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	68	28	43		0.60		53.01	48.68	
HUNTINGTON	68	30	45	5	0.52	0.81	39.10	40.23	38.79
CHARLESTON	68	27	44	4	0.56	0.85	45.72	40.43	40.20
RIPLEY	69	25	41		1.06		36.14	35.91	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	63	15	35		0.83		46.33	52.47	
ELKINS	64	20	38	4	0.80	0.81	44.95	43.39	41.99
MARLINTON	63	23	37		1.10		44.57	38.34	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	62	22	39	2	0.55	0.71	42.77	38.53	37.65
PINEVILLE	66	26	43		0.55		45.64	43.92	
BLUEFIELD	62	24	39	-1	1.12	0.72	44.30	44.52	36.24
WHITE SUL SP	66	27	43		0.29		35.16	37.54	
BLUESTONE DAM	63	23	41		0.59		37.31	34.90	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	67	25	41	5	1.05	0.62	34.25	37.35	35.34
KEYSER	60	22	37		0.57		36.31	27.52	
MOOREFIELD	68	25	40		0.47		28.48	30.55	
State Average Temperature	41								
State Average Precipitation	0.76								

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Agricultural News: The month of March began cold, and had periods of warmer weather mixed with periods of cooler weather throughout the month as weather patterns changed. Farming activities included calving, lambing, and watching the weather for frost to protect fruit blossoms. Fruit comments for the month include the following: many varieties of peach trees have reached full bloom during the past week, especially early blooming varieties. Apple bud development ranges from green tip to half-inch green. Low lying areas have experienced temperatures as low as 23 degrees in the past 7 to 10 days which may have affected some peach buds. While March began with above average moisture, late March was rather dry.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 03/27/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	2	11	83	4
Subsoil	2	8	85	5
Hay & Roughage	1	7	83	9
Feed grain	1	3	92	4

-Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 03/27/16

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Winter wheat	7	15	37	38	3
Pasture	2	4	47	43	4
Cattle & Calves	-	2	16	77	5
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	17	77	5

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 03/27/16

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Calved	65	-	66	69
Lambled	74	-	74	74

- Represents data not available.

Summary of Weather and Agricultural Conditions February 29 - March 27, 2016

The month of March started with cold and windy weather conditions and the Mountain State received more snow. During the month, temperatures fluctuated. For the week ending **March 6th**, temperatures dropped to below normal across the State for most stations. Martinsburg, which was right at average, was the only station not to report below normal temperatures. Most stations reached into the 60s or low 70s during the week, but a strong cold front dropped low temperatures into the teens and 20s during the middle of the workweek. Huntington and Charleston had the highest recorded temperature of 71 degrees. Elkins had the lowest recorded temperature of 14 degrees. The state average temperature was 36 degrees. Precipitation was varied; just under half of the stations reported above normal precipitation. Williamson, Huntington, and Charleston were the only stations to receive over one inch of precipitation. The Southwest part of the State was the wettest, while the Northeast/Eastern Panhandle areas received the least amount of precipitation. Williamson had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.48 inches. Moorefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.09 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.65 of an inch.

Temperatures warmed up the week ending **March 13th**. Temperatures were far above average; all stations were at least 13 degrees above normal. All stations reached the 70s, and several stations broke the 80 degree mark. Although all stations were above average and reached the 70s, the lows dropped into the 20s and 30s during the week. Moorefield had the highest recorded temperature of 84 degrees. Keyser had the lowest recorded temperature of 23 degrees. The state average temperature was 56 degrees. For most of the week the Mountain

State was dry; due to the showery type precipitation, amounts varied throughout the State. The stations with the most precipitation received the majority of it in just a day or two from thunderstorms. The Northern part of the State received the most rain, while the South was the driest. There were six stations that broke the one inch mark. Clarksburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.49 inches. Bluefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.05 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.75 of an inch.

The week ending **March 20th** began with temperatures far above normal and cooled somewhat throughout the week. Even with the cooling trend, the State remained at least 4 degrees above average. The farthest from normal was Clarksburg, which was 8 degrees over. Most stations recorded high temperatures in the 70s and low temperatures dropped into the 20s and 30s. Creston, Belington, Charleston, Ripley, and Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 78 degrees. Creston and Ripley had the lowest recorded temperature of 22 degrees. The state average temperature was 49 degrees. The week was fairly dry across the State. The only station to exceed average was Clarksburg. The majority of the precipitation fell early and late in the week, with the middle part of the week remaining dry. Clarksburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.29 inches. Moorefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.22 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.62 of an inch.

For the week ending **March 27th**, unsettled weather patterns brought periods of above and below normal temperatures. Temperatures across the State generally averaged 2 to 5 degrees above normal. The farthest from normal was Williamson. High temperatures were in the 70s to 80s, and most lows were in the 20s. Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 82 degrees. Creston, Ripley, and Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 22 degrees. The state average temperature was 50 degrees. Precipitation fell late in the week. Most locations had below normal amounts. Wheeling had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.92 of an inch. White Sulphur Springs had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.54 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 03/27/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2015	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	75	26	49		0.92		29.82	37.36	
PARKERSBURG	73	24	50	4	0.89	0.87	31.26	38.23	40.91
CRESTON	79	22	49		0.66		50.88	47.11	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	79	31	52		0.63		32.01	43.17	
CLARKSBURG	80	28	50	5	0.77	0.95	38.39	43.22	45.41
BELINGTON	78	26	50		0.55		34.43	41.91	
WESTON	78	26	50		0.90		39.88	49.01	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	80	29	55		0.70		55.84	54.20	
HUNTINGTON	75	32	53	4	0.75	0.89	41.77	46.28	42.31
CHARLESTON	81	29	53	4	0.59	0.86	48.61	45.82	43.76
RIPLEY	79	22	50		0.68		38.91	41.62	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	72	22	46		0.53		49.47	58.59	
ELKINS	77	26	48	5	0.61	0.92	47.77	50.03	45.54
MARLINTON	72	23	44		0.24		46.48	42.64	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	73	23	48	3	0.40	0.84	44.86	43.74	40.87
PINEVILLE	79	27	51		0.50		47.83	49.38	
BLUEFIELD	76	26	50	2	0.45	0.81	46.02	49.55	39.41
WHITE SUL SP	75	30	50		0.00		36.38	42.43	
BLUESTONE DAM	73	23	49		0.08		38.63	40.57	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	77	27	49	4	0.34	0.85	36.31	40.03	38.45
KEYSER	82	24	48		0.30		38.71	30.45	
MOOREFIELD	78	29	50		0.36		29.79	32.98	
State Average Temperature	50								
State Average Precipitation	0.54								

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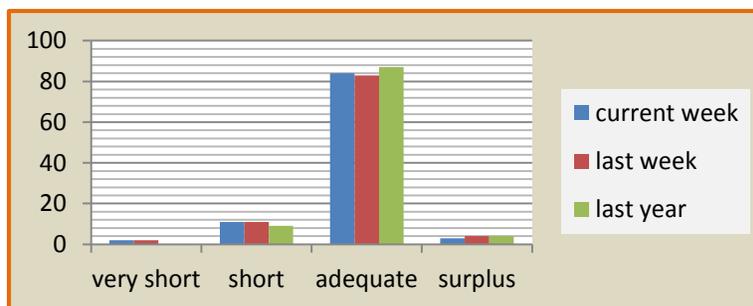
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.5. Farming activities included watching weather conditions and assessing damage from high winds over the weekend; some buildings were damaged. Fruit comments from the week include the following: temperatures reached 26 degrees one morning in the reporting period and in low spots which likely resulted in a 10 percent kill on peach fruit buds. Some apple varieties in the area have reached tight cluster to open cluster stage and would be susceptible to temperatures at 28 degrees or below. Some sweet cherries are in full bloom, but tart cherries are still in an earlier bud stage.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 04/03/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	2	11	84	3
Subsoil	2	8	86	4
Hay & Roughage	1	9	82	8
Feed grain	1	4	92	3

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 04/03/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 04/03/16

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	9	61	28	2
Peaches	-	8	49	41	2
Hay	-	1	38	58	3
Winter wheat	7	15	37	38	3
Pasture	2	4	56	35	3
Cattle & Calves	-	2	17	76	5
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	18	77	4

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 04/03/16

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Calved	70	65	73	76
Lambled	78	74	78	80

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending April 03, 2016

During this week in West Virginia, temperatures fluctuated and weather conditions were dry. Temperatures began rather cool, warmed considerably near the end of the workweek, and ended cold. Although there was a swing in temperatures, most stations were above average, but near normal for the week. Clarksburg, Elkins, and Martinsburg were the farthest from normal. The only stations to be average or less were Beckley and Bluefield. Throughout the week, most stations reached the 70s, and all stations dropped to below freezing. The week was very dry across the State; no stations were near average and two locations received zero reportable precipitation.

Temperatures: Martinsburg had the highest recorded temperature of 82 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 19 degrees. The state average temperature was 49 degrees.

Precipitation: Morgantown had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.49 of an inch. White Sulphur Springs and Bluestone Dam had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.18 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 04/03/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Weekly Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST--										
WHEELING	70	26	48		0.24		0.17	0.79		
PARKERSBURG	75	30	51	2	0.10	0.84	0.10	1.27	0.34	
CRESTON	77	28	50		0.04		0.01	1.09		
--NORTHCENTRAL--										
MORGANTOWN	72	27	50		0.49		0.45	1.17		
CLARKSBURG	73	28	50	3	0.30	0.97	0.30	0.94	0.37	
BELINGTON	72	28	49		0.22		0.22	0.72		
WESTON	73	28	49		0.36		0.31	1.17		
--SOUTHWEST--										
WILLIAMSON	78	30	53		0.12		0.00	2.75		
HUNTINGTON	77	31	53	2	0.01	0.83	0.00	2.72	0.34	
CHARLESTON	77	29	52	1	0.04	0.79	0.04	2.46	0.32	
RIPLEY	77	30	51		0.14		0.10	1.37		
--CENTRAL--										
TERRA ALTA	67	19	44		0.43		0.41	1.20		
ELKINS	75	24	48	3	0.35	0.92	0.25	1.03	0.39	
MARLINTON	70	25	45		0.17		0.14	1.95		
--SOUTHERN--										
BECKLEY	70	25	47	0	0.09	0.78	0.04	1.77	0.32	
PINEVILLE	73	31	50		0.09		0.06	2.19		
BLUEFIELD	72	26	50	-1	0.15	0.76	0.01	1.23	0.31	
WHITE SUL SP	73	29	51		0.00		0.00	1.69		
BLUESTONE DAM	72	26	50		0.00		0.00	0.47		
--NORTHEASTERN--										
MARTINSBURG	82	27	50	3	0.07	0.85	0.07	0.15	0.35	
KEYSER	78	25	49		0.44		0.35	0.22		
MOOREFIELD	79	26	50		0.10		0.10	0.26		
State Average Temperature	49									
State Average Precipitation	0.18									

Sources:
 Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.
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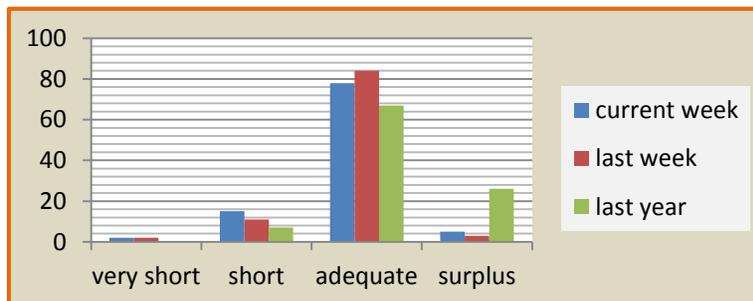
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 3.9. Farming activities included planting corn and protecting crops as winter weather moved back into the Mountain State with freezing temperatures and snow; the frost damaged crops. Fieldwork was limited, and the cold temperatures have slowed down the growth of pastures and hay fields. Farmers will be assessing further damage.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 04/10/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	2	15	78	5
Subsoil	1	17	80	2
Hay & Roughage	2	15	75	8
Feed grain	1	3	89	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 04/10/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 04/10/16

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	4	16	56	24	-
Peaches	4	16	46	33	1
Hay	8	13	33	44	2
Winter wheat	6	16	39	36	3
Pasture	5	9	50	34	2
Cattle & Calves	-	1	16	75	8
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	16	78	5

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 04/10/16

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	2	-	1	2
Calved	76	70	78	82
Lambled	83	78	82	68

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending April 10, 2016

West Virginia was very cold this week; the week started cold and never warmed up. All stations, except for Martinsburg were at least 10 degrees below normal. High temperatures only reached the 60s for most stations. Charleston, Williamson, Pineville, and Bluefield were the only stations to reach the 70s. The nights were exceptionally cold, with well below freezing temperatures recorded statewide. Along with cold temperatures, the State received some late season snow with measureable amounts recorded over most of the State; some locations recorded over 10 inches of snow. Although most of the State received snow, most stations reported below average precipitation. The only two sites to get above average precipitation were Clarksburg and Elkins. Overall, seven stations recorded over an inch of precipitation. The Central Mountains received the most precipitation, while the Southeastern part of the State got the least.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 73 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 8 degrees. The state average temperature was 39 degrees.

Precipitation: Terra Alta had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.82 inches. Bluestone Dam had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.12 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.79 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 04/10/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	67	20	37		0.75		0.92	3.47	
PARKERSBURG	67	22	39	-12	0.72	0.75	0.82	3.20	1.09
CRESTON	69	21	39		1.20		1.21	3.83	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	67	21	39		0.50		0.95	2.73	
CLARKSBURG	68	21	39	-11	1.05	0.83	1.35	3.40	1.20
BELINGTON	67	16	37		0.91		1.13	2.55	
WESTON	65	15	37		1.17		1.48	3.48	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	73	24	44		0.26		0.26	3.77	
HUNTINGTON	68	26	42	-12	0.75	0.78	0.75	4.24	1.12
CHARLESTON	70	22	41	-13	0.70	0.73	0.74	3.73	1.05
RIPLEY	69	21	39		1.14		1.24	3.06	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	62	8	30		1.82		2.23	2.98	
ELKINS	63	11	34	-13	1.80	0.87	2.05	4.33	1.26
MARLINTON	66	18	36		1.07		1.21	3.11	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	68	16	37	-13	0.62	0.75	0.66	3.06	1.07
PINEVILLE	72	24	42		0.55		0.61	3.48	
BLUEFIELD	72	18	40	-13	0.54	0.74	0.55	2.09	1.05
WHITE SUL SP	69	17	39		0.19		0.19	2.46	
BLUESTONE DAM	68	16	37		0.12		0.12	1.26	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	69	23	42	-8	0.50	0.78	0.57	0.69	1.13
KEYSER	67	18	38		0.69		1.04	1.03	
MOOREFIELD	67	17	39		0.22		0.32	1.24	
State Average Temperature	39								
State Average Precipitation	0.79								

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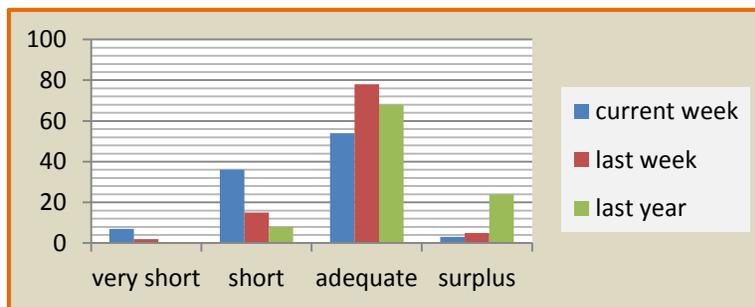
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.3. Farming activities included vaccinating cattle, calving, lambing, planting corn, and assessing damage to crops from the previous cold weather conditions. Warmer weather moved in, making fields dry.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 04/17/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	7	36	54	3
Subsoil	2	32	64	2
Hay & Roughage	2	17	76	5
Feed grain	1	3	89	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 04/17/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 04/17/16

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	5	18	62	15	-
Peaches	2	31	52	15	-
Hay	10	14	35	38	3
Winter wheat	7	17	42	31	3
Pasture	8	15	44	31	2
Cattle & Calves	-	2	17	71	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	2	16	74	8

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 04/17/16

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	8	2	4	4
Cattle calved	83	76	83	85
Sheep lambed	87	83	86	87

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending April 17, 2016

West Virginia warmed up this week. A cold front pushed Southeast across the area Monday night with some unsettled weather. An area of high pressure then took control with dry weather and a warming trend. Temperatures were above average at the start of the week, and then fell below average on Tuesday. However, temperatures rebounded to above normal readings by Thursday and remained quite warm through Sunday. Average temperatures across the State were generally close to seasonable values with readings averaging from 2 degrees above to 2 degrees below normal. Most lowland stations reached or exceeded 80 degrees on Sunday, with several locations seeing 80 degrees for the first time in 2016. Precipitation fell on Monday and Tuesday. All stations were below normal. The most precipitation fell across the Northern Panhandle where rainfall amounts generally exceeded 0.50 of an inch.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 85 degrees. Elkins had the lowest recorded temperature of 24 degrees. The state average temperature was 53 degrees.

Precipitation: Wheeling had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.76 of an inch. White Sulphur Springs, Bluestone Dam, and Moorefield had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.25 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 04/17/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	80	31	53		0.76		1.68	4.05	
PARKERSBURG	81	33	54	0	0.51	0.74	1.33	4.52	1.83
CRESTON	82	27	53		0.43		1.64	5.66	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	80	31	54		0.34		1.29	4.27	
CLARKSBURG	79	32	54	2	0.24	0.84	1.59	5.28	2.04
BELINGTON	81	28	54		0.14		1.27	4.35	
WESTON	80	29	52		0.46		1.94	5.77	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	84	34	59		0.27		0.53	6.99	
HUNTINGTON	81	37	57	1	0.24	0.77	0.99	6.98	1.89
CHARLESTON	82	28	56	0	0.31	0.71	1.05	5.77	1.76
RIPLEY	81	27	54		0.29		1.53	4.82	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	75	26	49		0.36		2.59	5.31	
ELKINS	79	24	51	2	0.27	0.86	2.32	6.58	2.12
MARLINTON	79	26	51		0.22		1.43	5.94	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	76	25	51	-1	0.13	0.77	0.79	5.94	1.84
PINEVILLE	82	30	54		0.29		0.90	5.97	
BLUEFIELD	77	27	53	-2	0.14	0.77	0.69	4.95	1.82
WHITE SUL SP	76	27	50		0.00		0.19	5.47	
BLUESTONE DAM	77	29	54		0.00		0.12	4.78	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	77	30	51	-1	0.05	0.75	0.62	3.01	1.88
KEYSER	85	26	52		0.15		1.19	2.86	
MOOREFIELD	81	27	52		0.00		0.32	2.26	
State Average Temperature	53								
State Average Precipitation	0.25								

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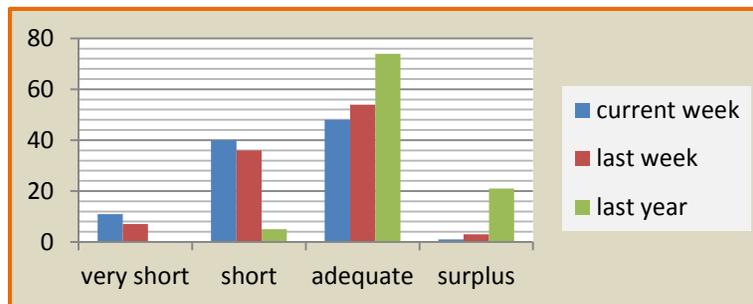
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.3. Farming activities included plowing, planting corn, soybeans, calving, and lambing. Weather conditions are getting drier and are negatively impacting pastures, hay, and wheat. Fruit comments from the week include the following: the recent freezes have had an impact on fruits; peaches and cherries are the most severely affected. There have been around six hard freezes in April. Most apples are in the petal fall stage and peaches are in the shuck split stage. Due to the recent weather conditions, fruit trees are susceptible to fire blight and scab infections. Sprays are recommended to target fire blight.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 04/24/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	11	40	48	1
Subsoil	7	38	55	-
Hay & Roughage	2	19	74	5
Feed grain	1	4	88	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 04/24/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 04/24/16

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	9	18	59	13	1
Peaches	11	43	38	8	-
Hay	7	11	31	48	3
Winter wheat	10	18	43	28	1
Pasture	9	19	35	36	1
Cattle & Calves	-	1	18	73	8
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	17	73	9

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 04/24/16

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	14	8	8	8
Soybean planted	3	-	2	2
Winter wheat headed	7	-	4	5
Cattle calved	89	83	87	89
Sheep lambed	93	87	88	91

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending April 24, 2016

Temperatures were above normal for the week with Elkins at 8 degrees warmer than normal. Slightly cooler weekly averages were reported at Beckley and Bluefield (2 degrees and 3 degrees above normal, respectively). There were periods of unsettled weather with a wide range of precipitation values observed across the State. Many stations are still below average for seasonal precipitation with roughly the Southern and Eastern half of the State seeing drought conditions (abnormally dry).

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 80 degrees. Marlinton had the lowest recorded temperature of 40 degrees. The state average temperature was 60 degrees.

Precipitation: Terra Alta had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.70 inches. White Sulphur Springs and Bluestone Dam had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.57 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 04/24/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Weekly Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST--										
WHEELING	71	47	59		0.13		1.81	4.48		
PARKERSBURG	76	47	61	5	0.80	0.78	2.13	5.36	2.61	
CRESTON	78	43	60		0.84		2.48	6.71		
--NORTHCENTRAL--										
MORGANTOWN	74	49	61		0.31		1.60	5.14		
CLARKSBURG	73	45	59	4	1.05	0.84	2.64	6.36	2.88	
BELINGTON	76	44	60		0.69		1.96	5.29		
WESTON	76	45	61		0.66		2.60	6.73		
--SOUTHWEST--										
WILLIAMSON	80	51	66		0.35		0.88	7.86		
HUNTINGTON	79	50	64	6	1.41	0.81	2.40	7.77	2.70	
CHARLESTON	78	48	63	5	0.10	0.77	1.15	6.61	2.53	
RIPLEY	77	44	61		0.88		2.41	5.80		
--CENTRAL--										
TERRA ALTA	68	43	56		1.70		4.29	6.77		
ELKINS	73	44	59	8	0.32	0.90	2.64	8.12	3.02	
MARLINTON	72	40	56		0.42		1.85	7.26		
--SOUTHERN--										
BECKLEY	72	41	56	2	0.45	0.80	1.24	6.78	2.64	
PINEVILLE	76	46	61		0.49		1.39	7.43		
BLUEFIELD	70	49	60	3	0.74	0.81	1.43	5.50	2.63	
WHITE SUL SP	72	43	57		0.00		0.19	6.40		
BLUESTONE DAM	72	50	61		0.00		0.12	5.75		
--NORTHEASTERN--										
MARTINSBURG	74	43	58	4	0.52	0.77	1.14	3.26	2.65	
KEYSER	76	41	59		0.20		1.39	4.30		
MOOREFIELD	75	42	59		0.37		0.69	2.63		
State Average Temperature	60									
State Average Precipitation	0.57									

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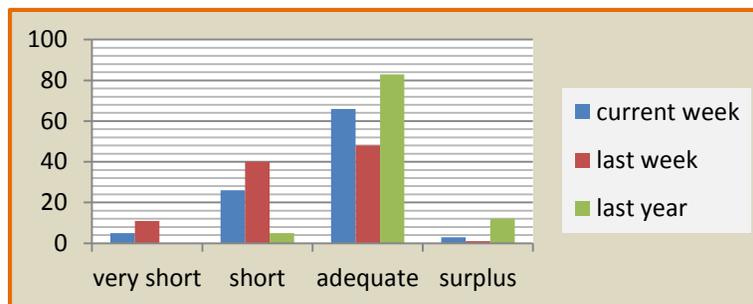
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 3.3. Farming activities included planting crops, calving, and lambing. Rain has helped improve hay and pasture conditions. Fruit comments from the week include the following: rain during the latter part of the period eased the dry conditions that had prevailed over the last month, but increased the disease pressure, especially for scab, fire blight, and rust in apples. Frequent showers made spray applications difficult. With the early bloom and numerous frost/freeze events, varieties such as Pink Lady are prone to late bloom. Despite the low crop potential for most stone fruits; brown rot, bacterial spot, and cherry leaf spot are still presenting a problem and must be treated.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 05/01/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	5	26	66	3
Subsoil	2	28	69	1
Hay & Roughage	2	14	79	5
Feed grain	1	4	88	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 05/01/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 05/01/16

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	8	19	56	16	1
Peaches	24	42	26	8	-
Hay	7	12	28	50	3
Winter wheat	8	17	40	33	2
Pasture	6	19	36	37	2
Cattle & Calves	-	1	18	71	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	17	73	9

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 05/01/16

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	17	14	10	13
Corn emerged	3	-	4	2
Soybean planted	5	3	5	6
Winter wheat headed	8	7	5	10
Cattle calved	91	89	91	93
Sheep lambled	95	93	93	95

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending May 1, 2016

The week started warm and mostly dry, except for some scattered light showers toward the North. Then things quickly unraveled from there, an active weather pattern brought numerous periods of strong thunderstorms featuring strong winds and large hail to West Virginia. These periods were primarily Tuesday evening, Thursday, Sunday evening, and Monday, the second of May. Most areas accumulated around enough rain this week to match the season total. Charleston received the most rain in the area, with Williamson following up with 3.91 inches and then Huntington with 3.80 inches. The other stations were mostly within the 1 to 2 inch range. Temperatures during the week were mostly above normal with Elkins at 10 degrees warmer than normal.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 86 degrees. Marlinton had the lowest recorded temperature of 38 degrees. The state average temperature was 63 degrees.

Precipitation: Charleston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 4.61 inches. Moorefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.73 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 2.32 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 05/01/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	80	44	58		1.13		2.94	4.49	
PARKERSBURG	81	49	63	5	2.46	0.78	4.59	5.41	3.39
CRESTON	83	49	63		2.51		4.99	6.71	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	81	50	62		1.87		3.47	5.25	
CLARKSBURG	80	50	62	5	1.99	0.81	4.63	6.57	3.69
BELINGTON	80	51	64		2.32		4.28	5.34	
WESTON	82	49	64		2.15		4.75	6.99	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	84	55	69		3.91		4.79	8.26	
HUNTINGTON	84	54	67	7	3.80	0.88	6.20	7.95	3.58
CHARLESTON	85	52	67	7	4.61	0.84	5.76	6.71	3.37
RIPLEY	83	49	64		2.39		4.80	5.80	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	74	44	57		2.36		6.65	7.16	
ELKINS	79	48	63	10	2.10	0.92	4.74	8.45	3.94
MARLINTON	78	38	62		2.45		4.30	7.27	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	79	50	64	8	2.66	0.85	3.90	7.29	3.49
PINEVILLE	82	47	67		2.77		4.16	7.91	
BLUEFIELD	76	52	63	4	1.93	0.83	3.36	6.37	3.46
WHITE SUL SP	80	46	63		2.73		2.92	6.89	
BLUESTONE DAM	78	49	64		1.93		2.05	6.10	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	82	44	56	0	0.85	0.81	1.99	4.11	3.46
KEYSER	86	45	58		1.45		2.84	5.24	
MOOREFIELD	85	47	60		0.73		1.42	2.66	
State Average Temperature	63								
State Average Precipitation	2.32								

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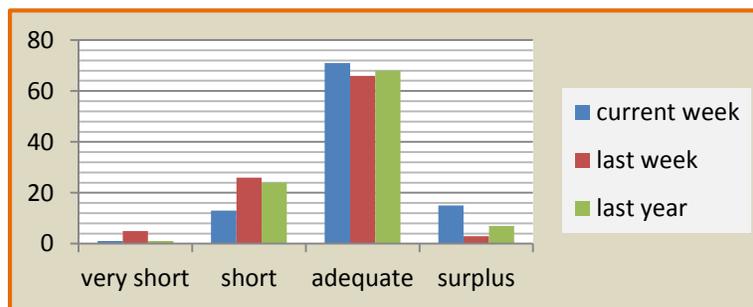
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 2.9. Rainy weather has limited fieldwork and the cool temperatures have slowed pasture growth. Farming activities included calving and repairing fences. Fruit comments from the week include the following: wet weather has provided plenty of opportunities for disease development in all tree fruit crops. Orchards with a light crop of peaches that reduced sprays, have seen some catfacing damage from tarnished plant bugs. Most apples have reached the stage for chemical thinning, but weather conditions have been poor for optimum activity of the plant growth regulators used for thinning. Most growers are hoping for improved weather conditions this coming week in order to apply these sprays.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 05/08/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	13	71	15
Subsoil	1	20	71	8
Hay & Roughage	1	15	79	5
Feed grain	1	4	88	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 05/08/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 05/08/16

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	8	19	56	16	1
Peaches	24	42	26	8	-
Hay	6	5	32	55	2
Winter wheat	7	16	41	33	3
Pasture	2	15	40	41	2
Cattle & Calves	-	1	21	69	9
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	20	71	8

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 05/08/16

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	20	17	20	21
Corn emerged	6	3	8	6
Soybean planted	8	5	10	9
Winter wheat headed	14	8	10	22
Cattle calved	93	91	95	96

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending May 8, 2016

Clouds, showers, and some thunderstorms persisted for the majority of the week over the State. Most stations recorded greater than average precipitation with Parkersburg and Huntington being the only two stations that did not reach normal. These two stations were good indicators of the dry areas of the State, which were the Northwest and along the Ohio River. The Central and Southern mountains received the most precipitation and with the cool temperatures, Snowshoe reported a trace of snowfall. With the help of thunderstorms, Elkins and Bluefield were the only stations to break the two inch mark. Temperatures in West Virginia were much cooler than the previous week. The state average temperature was 56 degrees, down from 63 degrees. All stations except Martinsburg were below average; Bluefield was the farthest from normal.

Temperatures: Moorefield had the highest recorded temperature of 85 degrees. Beckley and Bluefield had the lowest recorded temperature of 37 degrees. The state average temperature was 56 degrees.

Precipitation: Elkins had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.73 inches. Parkersburg and Huntington had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.51 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.27 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 05/08/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	73	47	57		0.55		3.49	4.74	
PARKERSBURG	71	44	57	-3	0.51	0.91	5.10	5.41	4.30
CRESTON	76	39	56		0.87		5.86	6.73	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	77	45	57		1.28		4.75	5.36	
CLARKSBURG	76	44	57	-2	0.96	0.89	5.59	6.57	4.58
BELINGTON	78	45	57		1.67		5.95	5.50	
WESTON	79	45	59		1.58		6.33	6.99	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	79	44	59		1.48		6.27	8.30	
HUNTINGTON	77	44	58	-4	0.51	1.01	6.71	7.95	4.59
CHARLESTON	78	41	56	-5	1.17	1.02	6.93	7.13	4.39
RIPLEY	76	39	56		0.87		5.67	5.84	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	70	38	51		1.56		8.21	7.17	
ELKINS	79	41	54	-1	2.73	1.09	7.47	8.50	5.03
MARLINTON	76	39	53		1.13		5.43	7.27	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	72	37	53	-4	1.73	1.00	5.63	7.29	4.49
PINEVILLE	76	43	56		1.53		5.69	7.96	
BLUEFIELD	71	37	52	-8	2.07	0.93	5.43	6.37	4.39
WHITE SUL SP	74	42	54		1.09		4.01	6.90	
BLUESTONE DAM	74	39	54		1.30		3.35	6.10	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	82	41	58	0	1.81	0.93	3.80	4.45	4.39
KEYSER	83	38	58		0.65		3.49	5.30	
MOOREFIELD	85	40	58		0.86		2.28	2.98	
State Average Temperature	56								
State Average Precipitation	1.27								

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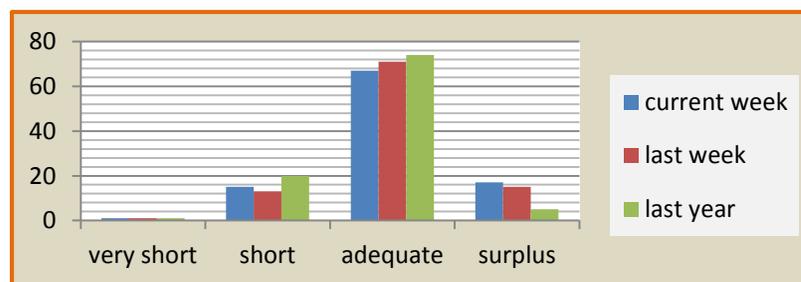
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 2.7. Weather conditions continue to limit fieldwork and delayed some crop progress and plantings. Farming activities included making hay and protecting livestock from predators; there have been reports of loss to predation. Fruit comments from the week include the following: daily precipitation continues to be ideal for diseases in all tree fruit crops. Cover sprays have begun. For the few areas that required thinning, materials have been applied. Hand thinning for peaches is beginning.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 05/15/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	15	67	17
Subsoil	1	17	71	11
Hay & Roughage	1	18	75	6
Feed grain	1	4	88	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 05/15/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 05/15/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	7	20	57	15	1
Peaches	24	42	26	8	-
Hay	5	5	37	51	2
Winter wheat	7	17	41	32	3
Pasture	2	15	40	41	2
Cattle & Calves	-	1	16	73	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	15	76	8

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 05/15/16

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	23	20	34	35
Corn emerged	9	6	20	16
Hay first cut	3	-	4	2
Soybeans planted	13	8	12	15
Soybeans emerged	2	-	2	4
Winter wheat headed	22	14	16	43
Cattle calved	96	93	99	99

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending May 15, 2016

After a seasonable start to the week, temperatures across the area warmed to above normal, then fell later in the week. For two consecutive days, some locations reached 80 degrees or higher. However, multiple cold fronts over the weekend introduced a persistent and colder air mass, dropping temperatures to below normal. The drop in average temperatures was enough to ensure all sites, except one, were below normal when averaged through the entire week. Multiple days of showers and storms brought an excess of rainfall to almost the entire State with the highest one day rainfall totals occurring on Wednesday. For the season to date, all reporting stations were above normal for precipitation except Martinsburg, which fell just over an inch below normal.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 85 degrees. Creston, Ripley, and Marlinton had the lowest recorded temperature of 30 degrees. The state average temperature was 58 degrees.

Precipitation: Williamson had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.21 inches. Moorefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.41 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.32 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 05/15/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	77	36	56		1.71		5.20	5.84	
PARKERSBURG	80	32	58	-3	1.59	0.96	6.69	6.01	5.26
CRESTON	79	30	56		1.12		6.98	7.80	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	80	37	58		1.27		6.02	5.68	
CLARKSBURG	81	34	57	-3	0.90	0.96	6.49	7.75	5.54
BELINGTON	81	32	58		1.25		7.20	6.05	
WESTON	83	32	59		1.37		7.70	8.03	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	85	38	63		2.21		8.48	8.55	
HUNTINGTON	84	36	62	-1	0.88	1.06	7.59	9.15	5.65
CHARLESTON	83	33	61	-2	0.86	1.09	7.79	8.13	5.48
RIPLEY	81	30	58		1.12		6.79	7.18	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	73	31	52		1.58		9.79	7.93	
ELKINS	80	32	57	0	1.64	1.19	9.11	9.31	6.22
MARLINTON	83	30	58		1.17		6.60	8.23	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	79	31	58	-1	1.87	1.05	7.50	7.68	5.54
PINEVILLE	82	37	61		1.42		7.11	8.22	
BLUEFIELD	77	32	58	-4	2.08	0.95	7.51	6.75	5.34
WHITE SUL SP	82	35	58		1.46		5.47	7.86	
BLUESTONE DAM	79	35	59		1.48		4.83	7.12	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	77	38	56	-4	0.57	0.94	4.37	4.89	5.33
KEYSER	76	36	55		1.06		4.55	5.47	
MOOREFIELD	75	35	58		0.41		2.69	3.45	
State Average Temperature	58								
State Average Precipitation	1.32								

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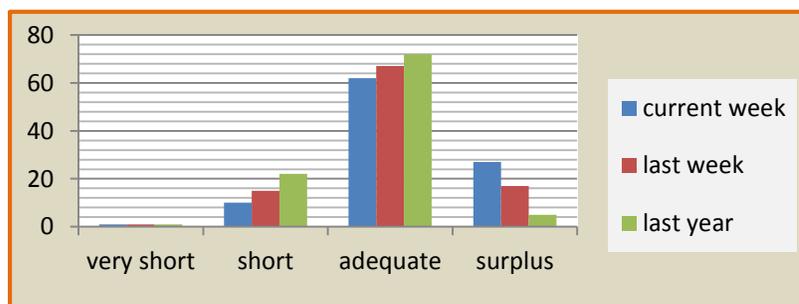
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 1.9. West Virginia received more rain this week; wet and cooler weather conditions continue to limit fieldwork. Some locations received rain every day. Crop plantings and hay cuttings are behind. Farming activities included inspecting crops for disease and planting limited amounts of corn and soybeans. Farmers are looking forward to warmer and drier weather.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 05/22/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	10	62	27
Subsoil	1	10	75	14
Hay & Roughage	1	12	81	6
Feed grain	1	4	88	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 05/22/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 05/22/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	5	19	60	15	1
Peaches	24	43	26	7	-
Hay	2	5	31	58	4
Winter wheat	6	16	42	33	3
Pasture	2	9	36	49	4
Cattle & Calves	-	1	15	74	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	16	75	8

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 05/22/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	27	23	53	52
Corn emerged	14	9	32	25
Hay first cut	4	3	12	8
Soybeans planted	16	13	18	30
Soybeans emerged	6	2	7	12
Winter wheat headed	26	22	20	53

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending May 22, 2016

The weather in West Virginia this week was cooler and precipitation amounts were up. With all the precipitation and very little sunshine, temperatures were down statewide. All stations ranged from 6 to 9 degrees below normal. Nearly all sites dropped into the 30s, and several locations in the mountains dropped to below freezing; near record lows were recorded during the week. Precipitation was very high. Every station statewide recorded over one inch of precipitation. Eight stations reported over two inches, and Keyser recorded over three inches. Rain fell statewide nearly every day.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 77 degrees. Creston, Ripley, and Marlinton had the lowest recorded temperature of 30 degrees. The state average temperature was 54 degrees.

Precipitation: Keyser had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 3.33 inches. Parkersburg had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.26 inches. The state average precipitation was 1.89 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 05/22/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	73	36	53		1.53		6.73	6.01	
PARKERSBURG	74	33	54	-9	1.26	0.98	7.95	6.04	6.24
CRESTON	75	30	54		1.60		8.58	7.99	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	75	37	55		1.76		7.78	6.27	
CLARKSBURG	74	34	54	-8	2.15	0.98	8.64	8.42	6.52
BELINGTON	75	32	55		1.91		9.11	6.51	
WESTON	75	34	55		2.94		10.64	8.30	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	77	48	60		2.41		10.89	8.82	
HUNTINGTON	75	36	57	-8	1.74	1.06	9.33	9.25	6.71
CHARLESTON	75	37	56	-8	1.47	1.09	9.26	8.53	6.57
RIPLEY	75	30	54		1.60		8.39	7.49	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	66	31	48		2.56		12.35	8.79	
ELKINS	74	33	52	-7	2.16	1.19	11.27	9.94	7.41
MARLINTON	71	30	54		1.48		8.08	8.52	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	66	31	52	-8	2.08	1.09	9.58	8.20	6.63
PINEVILLE	71	37	56		2.01		9.12	8.93	
BLUEFIELD	67	32	54	-9	1.54	0.96	9.05	7.08	6.30
WHITE SUL SP	72	36	54		1.34		6.81	8.08	
BLUESTONE DAM	67	39	55		1.85		6.68	8.20	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	75	42	56	-6	1.56	0.92	5.93	6.08	6.25
KEYSER	76	37	53		3.33		7.88	5.64	
MOOREFIELD	73	36	54		1.30		3.99	3.76	
State Average Temperature	54								
State Average Precipitation	1.89								

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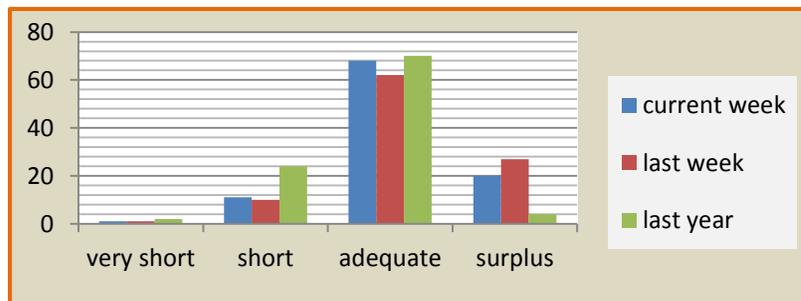
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.7. Temperatures warmed up and precipitation was down this week, allowing more time for fieldwork. Farming activities included making hay and planting crops. Fruit comments from the week include the following: apple and peach growers are hand thinning where needed and the traditional "June drop" period for apples is in progress. Sweet cherries are at the straw color stage of development; a few are showing just a hint of red coloration. With the abundance of rainfall in May, shoot growth is extensive.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 05/29/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	11	68	20
Subsoil	1	12	79	8
Hay & Roughage	5	10	73	12
Feed grain	1	4	88	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 05/29/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 05/29/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	5	19	60	15	1
Peaches	18	42	32	8	-
Hay	1	5	34	56	4
Winter wheat	6	18	46	27	3
Pasture	2	7	28	57	6
Cattle & Calves	-	1	13	76	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	14	77	8

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 05/29/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	36	27	71	69
Corn emerged	21	14	52	41
Hay first cut	12	4	27	20
Soybeans planted	26	16	39	48
Soybeans emerged	10	6	11	21
Winter wheat headed	40	26	37	69

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending May 29, 2016

Temperatures warmed up this week. After the cool and wet pattern in mid-May, the Mountain State saw a quick transition to a warmer summer-like environment. As a result, temperatures were mostly well above normal. Some lowland locations saw their first 90 degree temperature of the year. Weekly departures of 4 to 5 degrees were common, but Martinsburg was 8 degrees above normal and the Southern mountains around Bluefield were 2 degrees cooler than normal. With no organized frontal passages, rainfall was mostly light and scattered; much of the Elk River Valley and the Northern Panhandle had little to no rain. Localized, heavier showers fell across portions of Jackson and Wood Counties, plus in the mountainous terrain of Tucker, Randolph, and Pendleton Counties. The South Branch Mountain area in Hardy and Hampshire Counties also received heavier rain amounts. Most of the State had under a quarter of an inch of rain for the week.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 92 degrees. Bluefield had the lowest recorded temperature of 41 degrees. The state average temperature was 68 degrees.

Precipitation: Terra Alta had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.51 of an inch. Wheeling and Bluefield had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.13 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 05/29/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	87	47	70		0.00		6.73	7.46	
PARKERSBURG	86	46	69	4	0.12	1.04	8.07	7.36	7.28
CRESTON	88	46	68		0.14		8.72	8.99	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	88	51	70		0.01		7.79	6.50	
CLARKSBURG	87	48	68	4	0.14	1.13	8.78	9.01	7.65
BELINGTON	89	48	68		0.12		9.23	6.90	
WESTON	89	49	69		0.09		10.73	9.43	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	90	51	71		0.03		10.92	9.11	
HUNTINGTON	89	48	71	4	0.26	1.11	9.59	9.73	7.82
CHARLESTON	90	48	70	4	0.01	1.14	9.27	9.95	7.71
RIPLEY	88	46	68		0.14		8.53	8.02	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	83	46	65		0.51		12.86	10.23	
ELKINS	88	44	66	5	0.17	1.18	11.44	10.31	8.59
MARLINTON	85	44	65		0.06		8.14	9.47	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	84	42	62	0	0.05	1.09	9.63	8.66	7.72
PINEVILLE	86	48	68		0.02		9.14	9.05	
BLUEFIELD	84	41	63	-2	0.00	1.05	9.05	7.20	7.35
WHITE SUL SP	87	44	65		0.03		6.84	8.53	
BLUESTONE DAM	83	48	67		0.10		6.78	9.06	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	90	49	72	8	0.36	0.92	6.29	6.89	7.17
KEYSER	92	47	70		0.28		8.16	7.47	
MOOREFIELD	90	48	70		0.17		4.16	4.14	
State Average Temperature	68								
State Average Precipitation	0.13								

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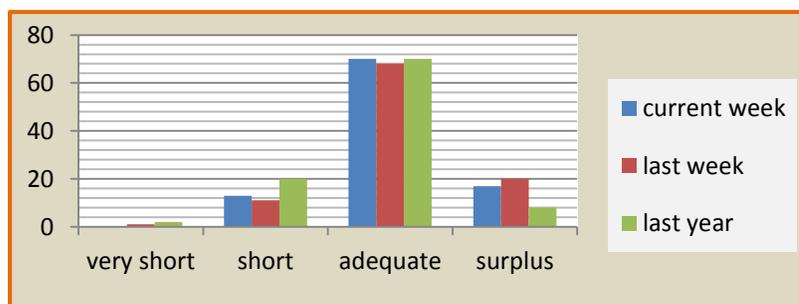
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 3.9. Temperatures and precipitation was up this week allowing some, but not much fieldwork. Farming activities included making hay, planting crops, and applying treatments. Fruit comments from the week include the following: apple and peach growers are hand thinning and "June drop" period for apples is mostly complete. Sweet cherries are showing color however, due to the hard freezes in April, both cherry and peach conditions are poor. Brown marmorated stink bug adults are increasing in the orchards.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 06/05/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	13	70	17
Subsoil	-	14	79	7
Hay & Roughage	4	15	73	8
Feed grain	1	4	88	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 06/05/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 06/05/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	7	19	58	15	1
Peaches	19	42	29	9	1
Hay	1	4	34	56	5
Winter wheat	6	17	41	33	3
Pasture	2	6	26	58	8
Cattle & Calves	-	1	13	76	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	14	78	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 06/05/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	55	36	82	80
Corn emerged	36	21	68	53
Hay first cut	27	12	36	33
Soybeans planted	40	26	51	61
Soybeans emerged	26	10	28	32
Winter wheat headed	46	40	54	78

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending June 05, 2016

Temperatures continued above normal statewide this week. All stations reached the 80s during the week, with a few stations in the Southwest part of the State reaching the low 90s. Most stations recorded low temperatures in the 50s, and this was the first week of the year that no reporting stations dropped to less than 50 degrees. Due to the cold front that moved over the State during the weekend, West Virginia received lots of precipitation. The majority of the precipitation fell as pre-frontal and frontal thunderstorms. Although weekly normal amounts are near the one inch mark, almost all stations met or exceeded average. Overall, the Northwest part of the State was the driest, and the Eastern Mountains / Panhandle were the wettest.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 92 degrees. Terra Alta and Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 53 degrees. The state average temperature was 72 degrees.

Precipitation: Marlinton had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.65 inches. Wheeling had the lowest with 0.53 of an inch recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 1.37 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 06/05/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	86	60	72		0.53		7.26	7.50	
PARKERSBURG	88	57	73	6	0.58	1.03	8.65	7.39	8.31
CRESTON	89	54	71		1.59		10.31	9.72	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	89	58	73		1.06		8.85	6.94	
CLARKSBURG	87	58	72	6	1.14	1.18	9.92	9.30	8.83
BELINGTON	87	57	71		1.28		10.51	7.20	
WESTON	90	59	72		0.95		11.68	9.97	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	92	62	76		1.43		12.35	9.40	
HUNTINGTON	91	60	74	6	1.40	1.06	10.99	9.80	8.88
CHARLESTON	90	58	73	5	1.19	1.11	10.46	10.14	8.82
RIPLEY	89	54	71		1.59		10.12	8.10	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	81	53	67		0.73		13.59	10.42	
ELKINS	87	54	70	7	0.94	1.05	12.38	11.44	9.64
MARLINTON	84	56	69		2.65		10.79	11.30	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	81	53	68	4	2.32	0.99	11.95	10.18	8.71
PINEVILLE	87	58	73		1.48		10.62	9.43	
BLUEFIELD	84	56	70	3	1.48	1.04	10.53	7.77	8.39
WHITE SUL SP	85	55	70		1.16		8.00	10.04	
BLUESTONE DAM	85	59	71		1.78		8.56	10.22	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	89	58	74	8	0.91	0.90	7.20	7.82	8.07
KEYSER	89	55	71		2.19		10.35	8.35	
MOOREFIELD	88	56	73		1.74		5.90	4.43	
State Average Temperature	72								
State Average Precipitation	1.37								

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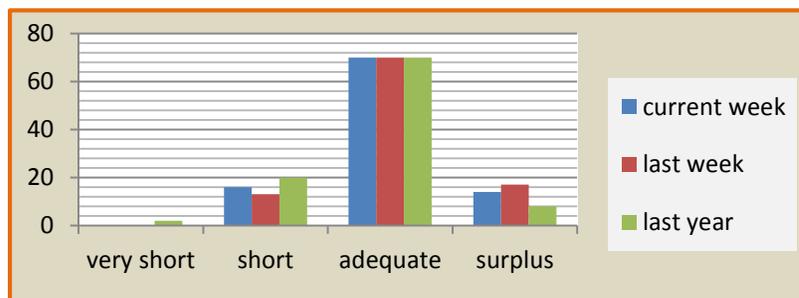
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.7. Weather conditions were better for fieldwork this week, but some pasture growth has been hindered with the higher temperatures. Farming activities included making hay and planting crops. Fruit comments from the week include the following: brown marmorated stink bugs have completed the movement from overwintering sites and can be found in abundance in some orchards, especially along fence rows and adjacent to woodlots; most growers are implementing control measures. Sweet cherry harvest is in progress, the crop has been reduced due to freeze events in early April.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 06/12/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	16	70	14
Subsoil	-	16	79	5
Hay & Roughage	4	15	73	8
Feed grain	1	4	88	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 06/12/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 06/12/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	5	20	59	15	1
Peaches	19	42	30	8	1
Hay	1	4	31	59	5
Winter Wheat	6	16	41	34	3
Pasture	1	6	27	58	8
Cattle & Calves	-	1	13	76	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	13	78	8

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 06/12/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	69	55	88	88
Corn emerged	42	36	76	70
Hay first cut	36	27	42	49
Soybeans planted	50	40	58	73
Soybeans emerged	35	26	39	53
Winter Wheat headed	63	46	60	86

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending June 12, 2016

Temperatures were fairly close to normal this week despite unseasonable cold mornings Thursday and Friday, which saw some areas drop into the 30s. In contrast, highs on Sunday warmed into the lower-to-mid 90s at numerous sites. Bluefield recorded the coolest weekly average temperature and Martinsburg had the warmest weekly average temperature. With respect to precipitation, West Virginia had a fairly dry week with only three days of recorded precipitation. Wheeling had the most rainfall this week followed by Beckley and Huntington. The State is above normal for seasonal precipitation.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 95 degrees. Marlinton had the lowest recorded temperature of 40 degrees. The state average temperature was 68 degrees.

Precipitation: Wheeling had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.87 of an inch. Several locations had zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.12 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 06/12/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Weekly Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	89	49	67		0.87		8.13	10.08	
PARKERSBURG	93	47	70	1	0.19	1.00	8.84	8.40	9.31
CRESTON	91	43	67		0.00		10.31	11.85	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	91	47	69		0.22		9.07	8.24	
CLARKSBURG	91	48	69	1	0.00	1.04	9.92	11.41	9.87
BELINGTON	89	45	66		0.10		10.61	8.39	
WESTON	91	46	68		0.08		11.76	11.15	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	94	50	71		0.00		12.35	10.13	
HUNTINGTON	92	50	71	0	0.39	0.96	11.38	10.70	9.84
CHARLESTON	91	48	69	-1	0.02	1.02	10.48	12.37	9.84
RIPLEY	91	43	67		0.00		10.12	9.05	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	88	47	66		0.06		13.65	13.20	
ELKINS	87	41	66	1	0.00	0.97	12.38	12.50	10.61
MARLINTON	89	40	64		0.00		10.79	11.89	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	86	41	65	-1	0.41	0.92	12.36	10.47	9.63
PINEVILLE	90	44	67		0.00		10.62	9.71	
BLUEFIELD	85	44	66	-2	0.00	0.97	10.53	8.57	9.36
WHITE SUL SP	89	43	66		0.00		8.00	10.53	
BLUESTONE DAM	86	47	67		0.02		8.58	10.42	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	94	48	72	3	0.10	0.89	7.30	8.31	8.96
KEYSER	95	42	68		0.05		10.40	9.05	
MOOREFIELD	94	48	71		0.02		5.92	5.14	
State Average Temperature	68								
State Average Precipitation	0.12								

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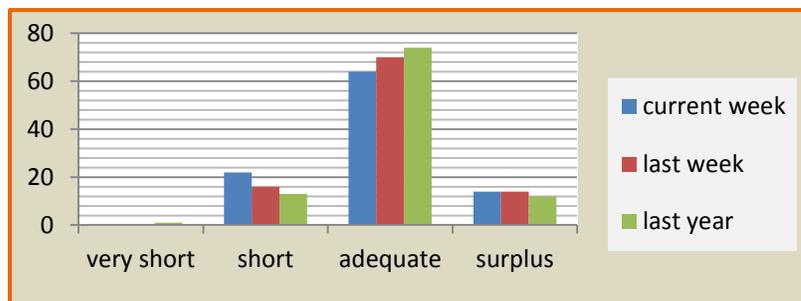
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.9. Warm dry weather helped dry fields out enough to get plenty of work done. Farming activities included making hay, planting and harvesting crops. Fruit comments from the week include the following: Sweet cherry harvest is still in progress. Conditions have been very favorable for shoot growth, especially on apple, peach and lighter crops than normal, growth is excessive at this stage.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 06/19/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	22	64	14
Subsoil	-	20	75	5
Hay & Roughage	4	15	74	7
Feed grain	1	4	88	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 06/19/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 06/19/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	6	19	58	16	1
Peaches	19	42	30	8	1
Corn	4	8	25	61	2
Hay	1	5	30	58	6
Winter Wheat	6	16	41	34	3
Pasture	1	7	26	58	8
Cattle & Calves	-	1	13	76	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	13	78	8

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 06/19/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	86	69	91	92
Corn emerged	58	42	80	81
Hay first cut	60	36	47	56
Soybeans planted	75	50	64	80
Soybeans emerged	56	35	49	66
Winter Wheat headed	80	63	71	92
Winter Wheat harvested	4	-	11	10

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending June 19, 2016

Temperatures remained fairly close to normal for much of the state. The Northwestern areas were the warmest at 3°F above normal and the Southern areas were the coolest at 2°F below normal. With respect to precipitation, the northern part of the state continues running slightly below average for the season while the rest of the state remains above seasonal norms.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 94 degrees. Creston and Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 44 degrees. The state average temperature was 71 degrees.

Precipitation: Martinsburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 3.24 inches. Parkersburg had the lowest recorded precipitation of 0.18 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.23 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 06/19/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	85	56	72		0.76		8.89	11.70	
PARKERSBURG	88	56	74	3	0.18	0.93	9.02	12.02	10.24
CRESTON	90	44	70		0.21		10.52	14.02	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	87	57	72		1.72		10.79	10.78	
CLARKSBURG	89	47	70	0	0.55	0.97	10.47	16.03	10.84
BELINGTON	90	54	72		1.65		12.26	12.28	
WESTON	90	46	71		0.79		12.55	14.08	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	94	50	74		1.02		13.37	11.72	
HUNTINGTON	91	58	74	1	2.17	0.89	13.55	12.80	10.73
CHARLESTON	91	48	72	0	0.75	0.98	11.23	14.79	10.82
RIPLEY	90	53	72		0.21		10.33	11.35	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	88	54	70		1.24		14.89	15.65	
ELKINS	89	48	69	2	1.45	1.01	13.83	17.59	11.62
MARLINTON	86	46	68		0.47		11.26	15.76	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	82	44	66	-2	1.39	0.90	13.75	11.18	10.53
PINEVILLE	89	52	70		1.54		12.16	10.89	
BLUEFIELD	88	49	69	-1	0.87	0.97	11.40	9.79	10.33
WHITE SUL SP	87	47	69		0.47		8.47	11.62	
BLUESTONE DAM	86	53	70		1.69		10.27	11.44	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	86	55	71	0	3.24	0.90	10.54	10.51	9.86
KEYSER	92	53	72		2.36		12.76	11.37	
MOOREFIELD	89	55	72		2.27		8.19	7.53	
State Average Temperature	71								
State Average Precipitation	1.23								

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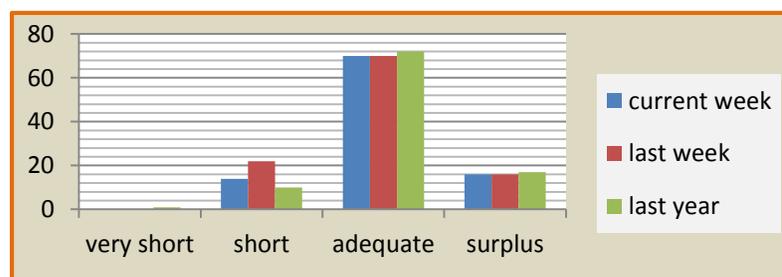
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 3.6. Temperatures remained fairly close to normal for much of the state. Rains delayed farming activities; however for some, crops and fields look good at this point. Fruit comments from the week include the following: Apples show hail damage with small dents or small cuts. Continued moisture and high humidity are increasing pressure for sooty blotch and fly speck as well as common rots in apples. Only the earliest peaches are susceptible to brown rot at this time. Cherries that survived the spring freeze have been mostly harvested.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 06/26/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	14	70	16
Subsoil	-	16	73	11
Hay & Roughage	2	8	83	7
Feed grain	1	3	89	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 06/26/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 06/26/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	6	19	58	16	1
Peaches	20	42	30	8	-
Corn	4	9	27	58	2
Hay	1	5	27	62	5
Soybeans	-	11	31	53	5
Winter Wheat	6	16	41	34	3
Pasture	1	7	27	57	8
Cattle & Calves	-	1	12	77	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	12	80	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 06/26/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	93	86	94	96
Corn emerged	81	58	82	88
Hay first cut	71	60	57	66
Soybeans planted	86	75	76	86
Soybeans emerged	78	56	65	76
Winter Wheat headed	92	80	82	95
Winter Wheat harvested	12	4	16	20

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending June 26, 2016

The Central and Northcentral areas were generally the farthest from normal. All stations reached the 80s to low 90s during the week, and all stations dropped to the upper 50s and low 60s. Precipitation across the state last week was extraordinary. All stations recorded far above average amounts. A heavy precipitation event began overnight Wednesday into Thursday and brought up to eight inches of rain in a 24 hour period. Historic flooding occurred on the Elk, Greenbrier, and Gauley Rivers.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 93 degrees. Terra Alta and Marlinton had the lowest recorded temperature of 57 degrees. The state average temperature was 73 degrees.

Precipitation: White Sulphur Springs had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 9.60 inches. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded precipitation of 1.10 inches. The state average precipitation was 3.17 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 06/26/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	87	61	74		1.27		10.16	13.17	
PARKERSBURG	91	58	74	1	2.82	0.86	11.84	13.19	11.10
CRESTON	90	60	74		4.13		14.65	15.59	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	88	62	74		1.35		12.14	12.47	
CLARKSBURG	87	62	74	3	3.42	0.90	13.89	16.58	11.74
BELINGTON	90	62	73		2.70		14.96	13.97	
WESTON	89	58	74		3.84		16.39	15.45	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	92	64	77		3.21		16.58	14.07	
HUNTINGTON	90	65	76	2	3.28	0.83	16.83	14.42	11.56
CHARLESTON	90	63	74	0	4.65	0.97	15.88	15.90	11.79
RIPLEY	90	60	73		4.11		14.44	14.35	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	82	57	68		1.10		15.99	17.43	
ELKINS	88	58	71	3	2.21	1.05	16.04	20.05	12.67
MARLINTON	90	57	70		5.86		17.12	18.72	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	81	59	69	0	2.74	0.94	16.49	13.03	11.47
PINEVILLE	87	60	73		1.39		13.55	13.98	
BLUEFIELD	85	60	71	-1	1.89	0.94	13.29	11.09	11.27
WHITE SUL SP	84	59	71		9.60		18.07	14.03	
BLUESTONE DAM	83	61	71		3.73		14.00	13.53	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	89	60	74	1	1.82	0.86	12.36	12.77	10.72
KEYSER	93	60	75		1.23		13.99	14.66	
MOOREFIELD	89	59	73		3.29		11.48	8.85	
State Average Temperature	73								
State Average Precipitation	3.17								

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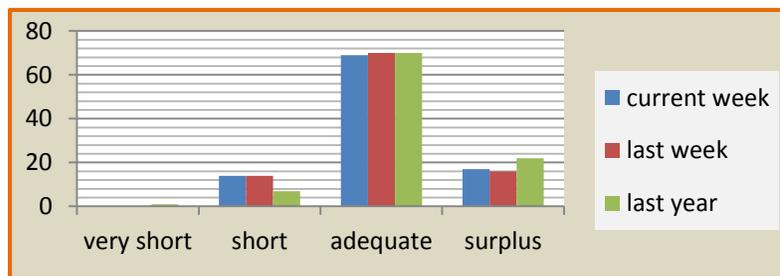
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.1. Farming activities this week included cleaning up debris from the recent historic and deadly floods; drier weather conditions helped with harvesting wheat and making hay. Fruit comments from the week include the following: growers are watchful for signs of brown rot as early peach varieties mature and high humidity and thundershowers continue. Some cherry leaf spot has been observed and cherry trees should be sprayed with a recommended fungicide to keep good foliage on the trees.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 07/03/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	14	69	17
Subsoil	-	14	75	11
Hay & Roughage	2	7	86	5
Feed grain	1	4	88	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 07/03/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 07/03/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	6	19	58	16	1
Peaches	19	37	30	13	1
Corn	3	10	26	59	2
Hay	1	5	32	57	5
Soybeans	-	12	28	55	5
Winter Wheat	6	17	41	33	3
Pasture	1	7	28	55	9
Cattle & Calves	-	1	12	76	11
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	12	78	9

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 07/03/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	96	93	99	99
Corn emerged	85	81	89	93
Hay first cut	77	71	63	75
Soybeans planted	91	86	88	93
Soybeans emerged	82	78	81	85
Winter Wheat headed	96	92	91	97
Winter Wheat harvested	43	12	19	40

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending July 3, 2016

This week in West Virginia, both temperatures and precipitation amounts were down from the previous week. Overall, temperatures across the State were between 3 and 5 degrees below normal. Parkersburg was the coolest at 5 degrees below normal, while Elkins was the closest to normal. Highs were generally in the mid to upper 80's, and lows were in the mid to low 50's. The beginning of the week was warmer than the middle and later days of the week. Precipitation amounts were scattered, but afternoon thunderstorms on Monday and an approaching storm system later on Sunday were the rain-makers for the time period. Southern West Virginia sustained localized, minor flash flooding due to the storms on Monday; Beckley reported 1.75 inches on that day.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 92 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 46 degrees. The state average temperature was 69 degrees.

Precipitation: Williamson had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.06 inches. Martinsburg had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.54 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 07/03/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	85	51	67		0.10		10.26	14.50		
PARKERSBURG	88	54	69	-5	0.23	0.86	12.07	14.23	11.96	
CRESTON	88	50	68		0.39		15.04	17.71		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	86	53	68		0.13		12.27	13.62		
CLARKSBURG	85	52	68	-4	0.05	1.07	13.94	18.06	12.64	
BELINGTON	87	52	70		0.41		15.37	14.35		
WESTON	87	54	69		1.24		17.63	16.63		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	92	56	75		2.06		18.64	19.15		
HUNTINGTON	86	57	72	-3	0.65	0.83	17.48	16.14	12.39	
CHARLESTON	86	54	71	-4	0.64	0.96	16.52	17.93	12.76	
RIPLEY	88	50	68		0.39		14.83	15.18		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	80	46	63		0.23		16.22	18.47		
ELKINS	84	50	67	-2	0.90	1.18	16.94	21.11	13.72	
MARLINTON	85	51	68		0.33		17.45	20.24		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	81	50	66	-4	1.85	1.01	18.34	16.88	12.41	
PINEVILLE	87	52	72		0.36		13.91	17.73		
BLUEFIELD	82	56	70	-3	0.23	0.93	13.52	12.83	12.21	
WHITE SUL SP	83	54	68		0.76		18.83	15.79		
BLUESTONE DAM	83	56	70		0.89		14.89	14.93		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	89	55	72	-3	0.00	0.81	12.36	13.15	11.58	
KEYSER	90	51	70		0.04		14.03	16.02		
MOOREFIELD	88	53	71		0.10		11.58	8.92		
State Average Temperature	69									
State Average Precipitation	0.54									

Sources:
 Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.
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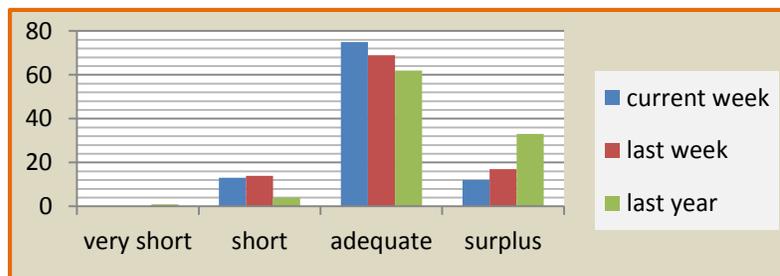
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.9. Farming activities this week included making hay and harvesting wheat. The cleanup of debris from the recent historic and deadly floods continues, and there is still standing water in parts of the State from recent rains. Fruit comments from the week include the following: apple trees treated with Apogee for growth control in the spring are showing some renewed growth following abundant rains in June. At this time, some growers are reporting Woolly Apple Aphids, especially in the lower parts of trees.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 07/10/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	13	75	12
Subsoil	1	11	81	7
Hay & Roughage	1	7	87	5
Feed grain	1	4	88	7

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 07/10/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 07/10/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	3	19	60	17	1
Peaches	18	37	30	14	1
Corn	4	11	24	59	2
Hay	1	5	30	59	5
Soybeans	-	15	31	51	3
Winter Wheat	6	16	42	33	3
Pasture	1	6	32	52	9
Cattle & Calves	-	1	12	76	11
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	12	78	9

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 07/10/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn emerged	90	85	94	97
Corn silking	5	-	9	15
Hay first cut	88	77	66	81
Soybeans planted	93	91	94	98
Soybeans emerged	85	82	87	93
Soybeans blooming	5	-	2	9
Winter Wheat harvested	59	43	24	53

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending July 10, 2016

Wet weather continued in West Virginia this week and temperatures across the State were near or slightly below average. The exception was the Northeastern portion of the State, which had average weekly temperatures around a degree above normal. Southern areas had cooler temperatures due to multiple days of rain and storms. Most locations had above normal precipitation for the week; precipitation was significantly above average across Southern West Virginia. The exception was Northeastern West Virginia. Still, past rains kept all areas of the State above normal for precipitation for the season. Tornadoes were reported on July 4th in Lincoln County and Kanawha County.

Temperatures: Williamson and Martinsburg had the highest recorded temperature of 91 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 52 degrees. The state average temperature was 73 degrees.

Precipitation: Bluefield had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 4.64 inches. Martinsburg had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.43 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 2.23 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 07/10/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	86	60	74		1.31		11.57	15.20	
PARKERSBURG	87	60	74	0	1.70	0.91	13.77	15.62	12.87
CRESTON	88	58	74		1.16		16.20	21.82	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	88	60	74		1.59		13.86	15.51	
CLARKSBURG	86	57	73	0	2.06	1.09	16.00	20.11	13.73
BELINGTON	87	58	74		3.98		19.35	15.94	
WESTON	88	62	74		2.40		20.03	18.73	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	91	63	77		4.46		23.10	23.57	
HUNTINGTON	88	63	75	-1	1.94	0.98	19.42	19.49	13.37
CHARLESTON	89	60	74	-2	1.03	1.07	17.55	21.09	13.83
RIPLEY	88	58	74		1.16		15.99	15.98	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	81	52	68		2.25		18.47	20.90	
ELKINS	86	56	71	1	2.95	1.25	19.89	23.56	14.97
MARLINTON	86	55	72		1.86		19.31	21.55	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	81	54	69	-2	3.28	1.06	21.62	18.14	13.47
PINEVILLE	85	63	73		4.36		18.27	19.88	
BLUEFIELD	81	56	70	-3	4.64	0.97	18.16	14.38	13.18
WHITE SUL SP	83	55	72		1.82		20.65	18.86	
BLUESTONE DAM	83	59	71		2.31		17.20	17.37	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	91	59	76	1	0.43	0.79	12.79	13.86	12.37
KEYSER	90	56	75		1.42		15.45	16.95	
MOOREFIELD	90	59	74		1.05		12.63	10.64	
State Average Temperature	73								
State Average Precipitation	2.23								

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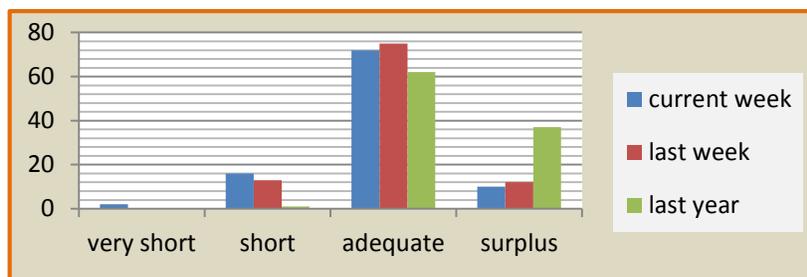
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.6. Weather conditions were hot and humid, with scattered storms; some crops are showing signs of stress. Farming activities this week included making hay, and harvesting peaches and wheat. Fruit comments from the week include the following: thunderstorms have been very spotty throughout the region. The absence of cool night temperatures may begin to hinder good color development in peaches. Woolly apple aphids continue to be reported in some orchards.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 07/17/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	2	16	72	10
Subsoil	1	15	78	6

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 07/17/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 07/17/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	4	19	59	17	1
Peaches	18	38	30	13	1
Corn	4	12	26	57	1
Hay	1	4	26	63	6
Soybeans	-	10	26	59	5
Pasture	1	5	28	56	10
Cattle & Calves	-	2	11	76	11
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	11	79	9

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 07/17/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Peaches harvested	5	-	6	3
Corn emerged	95	90	99	99
Corn silking	11	5	21	31
Hay first cut	91	88	73	86
Hay second cut	5	-	-	6
Soybeans planted	97	93	99	100
Soybeans emerged	89	85	89	95
Soybeans blooming	11	5	7	21
Winter Wheat harvested	64	59	45	66

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending July 17, 2016

Temperatures in West Virginia during the week were generally above average. The Southeast part of the State was the only area that reported below average, and the Northern mountains and Eastern Panhandle were the warmest. Most stations reached the mid 80s or low 90s, and dropped into the 50s and 60s through the week. Rain was scattered. Because the majority of the precipitation fell in showers or thunderstorms, amounts ranged greatly throughout the State. Five stations reported below average rainfall, while three reported above average. Northcentral West Virginia and the Eastern Panhandle had dry conditions through the week. The Central and Southern mountains, as well as the coal fields remained wet. Marlinton was the only station to reach two inches of precipitation.

Temperatures: Martinsburg and Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 96 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 53 degrees. The state average temperature was 75 degrees.

Precipitation: Marlinton had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.84 inches. Morgantown, Martinsburg, and Keyser had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.84 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 07/17/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST--										
WHEELING	90	61	76		0.45		12.02	15.45		
PARKERSBURG	89	61	76	1	0.84	0.99	14.61	15.98	13.86	
CRESTON	90	59	75		0.75		16.95	23.73		
--NORTHCENTRAL--										
MORGANTOWN	89	60	76		0.00		13.86	15.76		
CLARKSBURG	88	57	75	2	0.60	1.41	16.60	21.03	15.14	
BELINGTON	89	59	76		0.48		19.83	16.42		
WESTON	89	61	76		0.51		20.54	21.02		
--SOUTHWEST--										
WILLIAMSON	92	65	80		0.46		23.56	27.54		
HUNTINGTON	90	63	77	1	0.85	1.07	20.27	22.18	14.44	
CHARLESTON	89	62	77	1	1.47	1.18	19.02	23.60	15.01	
RIPLEY	90	59	75		0.75		16.74	17.88		
--CENTRAL--										
TERRA ALTA	83	53	70		0.37		18.84	23.28		
ELKINS	87	55	73	3	0.37	1.27	20.26	24.90	16.24	
MARLINTON	87	55	72		2.84		22.15	21.97		
--SOUTHERN--										
BECKLEY	83	55	70	-1	1.67	1.19	23.29	19.71	14.66	
PINEVILLE	87	63	75		1.38		19.65	21.55		
BLUEFIELD	85	56	70	-3	1.46	0.97	19.62	16.27	14.15	
WHITE SUL SP	86	56	72		1.49		22.14	19.59		
BLUESTONE DAM	86	62	73		1.56		18.76	18.34		
--NORTHEASTERN--										
MARTINSBURG	96	62	79	4	0.00	0.84	12.79	15.32	13.21	
KEYSER	96	56	78		0.00		15.45	17.35		
MOOREFIELD	92	60	77		0.15		12.78	11.38		
State Average Temperature	75									
State Average Precipitation	0.84									

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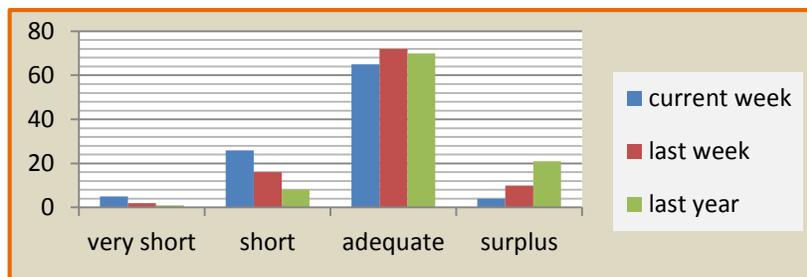
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.2. Hot and humid weather conditions are impacting crops and pasture fields; some producers are providing supplemental feed to beef cattle on pasture. Farming activities this week included harvesting peaches and wheat. Fruit comments from the week include the following: high temperatures and scattered thunderstorms are beginning to have an effect on tree fruit crops. Some growers are reporting more pre-mature peach drop than normally expected. Red apple varieties are beginning to show the off-color red (brownish or rusted red) rather than a bright red skin color. The high temperatures are also ideal for mite infestations, which are beginning to appear in some areas.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 07/24/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	5	26	65	4
Subsoil	4	22	69	5

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 07/24/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 07/24/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	4	19	59	17	1
Peaches	18	38	30	13	1
Corn	4	12	28	55	1
Hay	1	4	31	58	6
Soybeans	-	16	31	50	3
Pasture	1	7	32	52	8
Cattle & Calves	-	2	13	75	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	12	78	9

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 07/24/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Peaches harvested	12	5	14	18
Corn silking	36	11	38	50
Corn dough	10	-	4	3
Hay first cut	95	91	82	92
Hay second cut	14	5	7	14
Soybeans emerged	95	89	90	98
Soybeans blooming	19	11	15	37
Soybeans setting pods	5	-	2	11
Winter Wheat harvested	76	64	61	80

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending July 24, 2016

The State was humid and hot this week. Temperatures were at or above average. Highs were mostly in the 90s, and lows were mostly in the 50s. The warmest part of the State was in the Elkins area, temperatures were up to 4 degrees above average. The Bluefield area had temperatures that were right around average for this time of year. Rainfall was quite varied once again across the area due to isolated thunderstorms; some locations had zero precipitation. The wettest area was Keyser. Parkersburg, Martinsburg, and Elkins all received over 0.50 of an inch of rain. For the year so far, Williamson and Beckley have received the most precipitation with over 23 inches of rain each.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 99 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 52 degrees. The state average temperature was 76 degrees.

Precipitation: Keyser had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.70 of an inch. Williamson, Charleston, Beckley, Bluefield, White Sulphur Springs, and Bluestone Dam had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.21 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 07/24/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST--										
WHEELING	94	62	78		0.01		12.03	15.64		
PARKERSBURG	93	62	77	2	0.56	0.98	15.17	16.39	14.84	
CRESTON	94	58	76		0.25		17.20	23.94		
--NORTHCENTRAL--										
MORGANTOWN	93	58	77		0.13		13.99	15.87		
CLARKSBURG	92	58	76	3	0.25	1.55	16.85	21.39	16.69	
BELINGTON	93	57	76		0.20		20.03	16.53		
WESTON	94	60	77		0.34		20.88	21.88		
--SOUTHWEST--										
WILLIAMSON	94	62	79		0.00		23.56	28.95		
HUNTINGTON	94	63	79	3	0.01	1.08	20.28	23.93	15.52	
CHARLESTON	95	60	78	2	0.00	1.15	19.02	24.17	16.16	
RIPLEY	94	58	76		0.25		16.99	18.02		
--CENTRAL--										
TERRA ALTA	88	52	71		0.32		19.16	23.57		
ELKINS	93	54	74	4	0.57	1.19	20.83	25.09	17.43	
MARLINTON	92	55	73		0.06		22.21	22.18		
--SOUTHERN--										
BECKLEY	89	53	72	1	0.00	1.14	23.29	20.81	15.80	
PINEVILLE	95	60	77		0.03		19.68	21.90		
BLUEFIELD	91	56	73	0	0.00	0.94	19.62	16.34	15.09	
WHITE SUL SP	92	53	72		0.00		22.14	19.80		
BLUESTONE DAM	92	60	76		0.00		18.76	18.67		
--NORTHEASTERN--										
MARTINSBURG	96	58	78	3	0.67	0.84	13.46	15.32	14.05	
KEYSER	99	53	77		0.70		16.15	17.38		
MOOREFIELD	97	56	76		0.23		13.01	11.38		
State Average Temperature	76									
State Average Precipitation	0.21									

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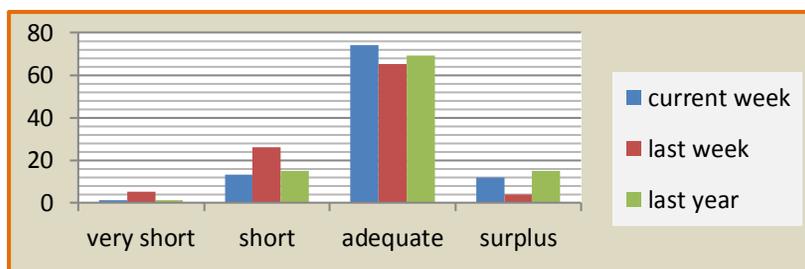
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.2. Farming activities this week included making hay and harvesting peaches. Weather conditions were warm, with scattered rain. Farmers continue to provide supplement feed to livestock; the rains during the week will benefit crop progress and pastures. Fruit comments from the week include the following: the maturity of mid-season peaches has been hastened by the very warm temperatures. In addition, some areas received as much as 4.5 inches of rainfall over the past 4 days from very heavy thunderstorms. Some Ginger Gold apples are being harvested, but peak maturity for this early variety is probably 7 to 10 days away. Late summer weed control is in progress in some apple orchards.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 07/31/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	13	74	12
Subsoil	1	15	78	6
Hay & Roughage	1	2	95	2

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 07/31/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 07/31/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	5	19	59	16	1
Peaches	14	33	34	18	1
Corn	4	12	28	55	1
Hay	1	3	28	62	6
Soybeans	-	16	34	47	3
Pasture	1	7	32	54	6
Cattle & Calves	-	1	12	78	9
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	11	79	9

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 07/31/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Peaches harvested	25	12	27	27
Corn silking	45	36	64	68
Corn dough	19	10	16	9
Hay second cut	23	14	26	25
Soybeans blooming	35	19	37	56
Soybeans setting pods	15	5	14	22
Winter Wheat harvested	83	76	85	89

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending July 31, 2016

West Virginia was warm with scattered rains. The warmest part of the State was in the Elkins area where temperatures were up to 6 degrees above average. The Bluefield area had temperatures that were around one degree above average for this time of year. Rainfall was quite varied due to the scattered nature of thunderstorms. Overall the week saw a lot of rain, especially toward the North. The wettest area was Morgantown, with over 5 inches of rain. All locations received at minimum 0.40 of an inch of precipitation, most locations received between 1 to 3 inches. Parkersburg, Marlinton, Pineville, White Sulphur Springs, Bluestone Dam, and Keyser were the only sites that received less than an inch for the week. Williamson and Beckley remain the locations with the most precipitation for the year thus far.

Temperatures: Keyser and Moorefield had the highest recorded temperature of 98 degrees. Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 61 degrees. The state average temperature was 77 degrees.

Precipitation: Morgantown had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 5.11 inches. Marlinton had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.40 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.95 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 07/31/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST -----										
WHEELING	93	66	78		2.02		14.05	15.64		
PARKERSBURG	92	66	78	4	0.93	0.96	16.10	16.39	15.80	
CRESTON	94	67	77		1.02		18.22	23.94		
--NORTHCENTRAL -----										
MORGANTOWN	94	67	77		5.11		19.10	16.10		
CLARKSBURG	93	65	77	4	3.10	1.16	19.95	21.95	17.85	
BELINGTON	88	64	76		3.11		23.14	16.63		
WESTON	92	66	78		2.00		22.88	21.88		
--SOUTHWEST -----										
WILLIAMSON	94	68	80		3.21		26.77	30.41		
HUNTINGTON	92	68	79	3	2.44	1.05	22.72	23.94	16.57	
CHARLESTON	92	67	78	3	1.93	1.12	20.95	24.77	17.28	
RIPLEY	94	67	77		2.98		19.97	18.59		
--CENTRAL -----										
TERRA ALTA	86	63	72		2.96		22.12	23.61		
ELKINS	94	63	76	6	2.06	1.13	22.89	25.38	18.56	
MARLINTON	90	63	75		0.40		22.61	22.31		
--SOUTHERN -----										
BECKLEY	86	61	73	2	1.35	1.18	24.64	21.52	16.98	
PINEVILLE	90	68	77		0.73		20.41	23.03		
BLUEFIELD	86	62	74	1	1.54	0.88	21.16	16.51	15.97	
WHITE SUL SP	89	62	76		0.61		22.75	20.53		
BLUESTONE DAM	88	64	77		0.55		19.31	19.22		
--NORTHEASTERN -----										
MARTINSBURG	97	69	80	5	1.44	0.86	14.90	15.48	14.91	
KEYSER	98	66	79		0.64		16.79	17.42		
MOOREFIELD	98	64	79		2.69		15.70	11.98		
State Average Temperature	77									
State Average Precipitation	1.95									

Sources:
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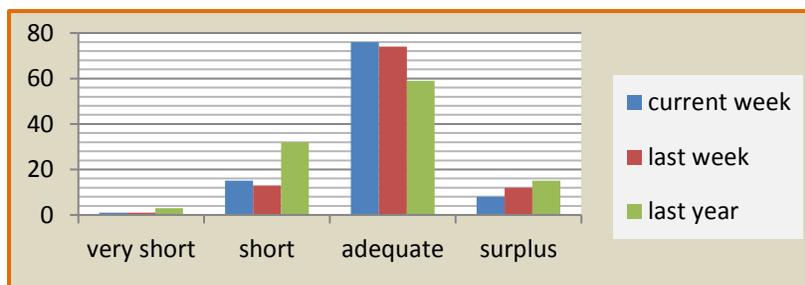
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.9. Farming activities this week included making hay, harvesting peaches, and getting ready for the State Fair. Weather conditions were warm, with scattered rain. Precipitation was down from the previous week. Fruit comments from the week include the following: weather conditions continue to be ideal for brown rot in peaches and several diseases such as sooty blotch, flyspeck, and bitter rot in apples. Some harvest of early apple varieties such as Ginger Gold has begun.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 08/07/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	15	76	8
Subsoil	2	13	79	6
Hay & Roughage	1	3	93	3

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 08/07/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/07/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	5	19	58	17	1
Peaches	14	31	36	18	1
Corn	4	11	26	58	1
Hay	1	3	23	67	6
Soybeans	-	10	29	56	5
Pasture	1	7	34	53	5
Cattle & Calves	-	1	11	78	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	11	81	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/07/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Peaches harvested	35	25	35	35
Corn silking	60	45	77	81
Corn dough	36	19	29	21
Corn dented	5	-	2	1
Hay second cut	31	23	37	35
Soybeans blooming	51	35	56	72
Soybeans setting pods	26	15	25	37
Winter Wheat harvested	87	83	94	94

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 7, 2016

Temperatures in West Virginia were very close to average during the week. Elkins was the farthest from average, and Bluefield was the only station that was below normal. Most stations reached the 80s, and four stations broke into the 90s. Low temperatures dropped into the 50s and 60s. Precipitation varied throughout the Mountain State, from 0.06 of an inch at Parkersburg to over 2 inches in Beckley. Overall, the Eastern Panhandle received the least rain, while the Southeastern part of the State received the most.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 92 degrees. Elkins had the lowest recorded temperature of 56 degrees. The state average temperature was 74 degrees.

Precipitation: Beckley had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.38 inches. Parkersburg had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.06 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.95 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/07/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST--										
WHEELING	88	61	76		1.62		15.67	16.76		
PARKERSBURG	90	60	75	1	0.06	0.85	16.16	16.96	16.65	
CRESTON	86	58	74		1.03		19.25	24.52		
--NORTHCENTRAL--										
MORGANTOWN	87	59	75		0.18		19.28	16.34		
CLARKSBURG	87	59	74	1	1.41	1.03	21.36	22.17	18.88	
BELINGTON	89	58	75		0.63		23.77	16.71		
WESTON	88	61	76		1.89		24.77	22.30		
--SOUTHWEST--										
WILLIAMSON	90	58	78		0.81		27.58	31.63		
HUNTINGTON	89	65	78	2	0.67	0.89	23.39	24.64	17.46	
CHARLESTON	87	62	76	1	0.36	0.94	21.31	25.03	18.22	
RIPLEY	86	58	74		1.14		21.11	18.87		
--CENTRAL--										
TERRA ALTA	83	59	70		1.16		23.28	24.17		
ELKINS	87	56	73	3	0.63	0.94	23.52	25.64	19.50	
MARLINTON	85	61	72		1.11		23.72	22.33		
--SOUTHERN--										
BECKLEY	81	62	70	0	2.38	0.99	27.02	22.11	17.97	
PINEVILLE	84	65	75		1.13		21.54	24.23		
BLUEFIELD	82	61	72	-1	1.30	0.83	22.46	18.49	16.80	
WHITE SUL SP	85	65	73		0.77		23.52	21.06		
BLUESTONE DAM	84	64	72		1.28		20.59	20.84		
--NORTHEASTERN--										
MARTINSBURG	90	60	76	2	0.17	0.75	15.07	15.64	15.66	
KEYSER	92	58	76		0.72		17.51	18.27		
MOOREFIELD	89	58	75		0.50		16.20	12.39		
State Average Temperature	74									
State Average Precipitation	0.95									

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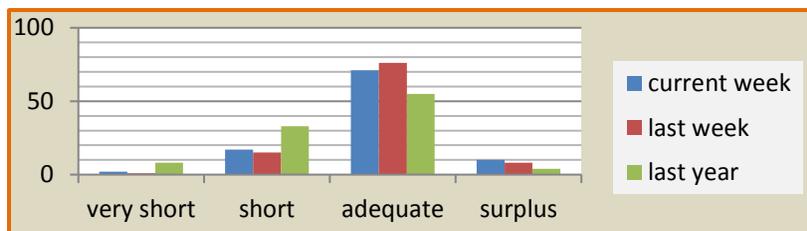
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.8. Farming activities this week included making hay and attending the State Fair. Weather conditions continue to be warm with scattered rain; the high temperatures have caused heat stress in animals and crops are showing drought pressure. Some heavy rains over the weekend caused damage to crops nearing harvest in the Northern part of the State. Fruit comments from the week include the following: the hot and humid weather is ideal for development of brown rot in peaches and bitter rot in apples. Peach harvest continues along at a rapid pace and some apples are being harvested. At this time, it appears that apple maturity is at least 7 days ahead of normal with Gala and Honeycrisp varieties.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 08/14/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	2	17	71	10
Subsoil	2	18	74	6
Hay & Roughage	1	3	93	3

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 08/14/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/14/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	5	19	58	17	1
Peaches	14	33	34	18	1
Corn	4	12	28	55	1
Hay	1	4	26	64	5
Soybeans	-	12	29	54	5
Pasture	1	7	38	50	4
Cattle & Calves	-	1	13	75	11
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	12	78	9

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/14/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	4	-	3	3
Peaches harvested	52	35	50	52
Corn silking	66	60	82	84
Corn dough	52	36	38	39
Corn dented	20	5	9	6
Hay second cut	46	31	45	45
Soybeans blooming	70	51	68	83
Soybeans setting pods	41	26	38	55
Winter Wheat harvested	95	87	99	98

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 14, 2016

West Virginia was hot and humid. The entire region saw above normal temperatures for the past week, owing in large part to persistent high pressure across the Central United States. Parkersburg, Clarksburg, and Elkins all had weekly average temperatures 7 degrees above normal. Bluefield was the closest to normal with week average temperatures at 2 degrees above normal. Precipitation varied throughout the State, but largely was below normal for the week. The exception to this occurred in Charleston, where 1.52 inches of rain were reported (compared to the 0.88 of an inch that is normal for the week). Despite being drier than normal, nearly daily showers and thunderstorms did provide rainfall for all reporting sites.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 98 degrees. Keyser had the lowest recorded temperature of 59 degrees. The state average temperature was 78 degrees.

Precipitation: Morgantown had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.59 inches. Williamson had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.48 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/14/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST--										
WHEELING	92	66	79		0.87		16.54	16.76		
PARKERSBURG	93	62	81	7	0.18	0.83	16.34	17.74	17.48	
CRESTON	92	60	78		0.48		19.73	25.25		
--NORTHCENTRAL--										
MORGANTOWN	93	63	80		1.59		20.87	16.57		
CLARKSBURG	92	62	79	7	0.58	0.86	21.94	22.73	19.74	
BELINGTON	94	61	79		0.21		23.98	17.81		
WESTON	93	63	80		0.12		24.89	23.09		
--SOUTHWEST--										
WILLIAMSON	96	66	82		0.00		27.58	32.76		
HUNTINGTON	93	68	82	6	0.09	0.87	23.48	24.79	18.33	
CHARLESTON	93	65	80	5	1.52	0.88	22.83	25.52	19.10	
RIPLEY	92	60	78		0.38		21.49	19.60		
--CENTRAL--										
TERRA ALTA	87	60	74		0.36		23.64	24.64		
ELKINS	92	60	77	7	0.45	0.91	23.97	27.10	20.41	
MARLINTON	89	60	74		0.93		24.65	23.16		
--SOUTHERN--										
BECKLEY	88	63	74	4	0.03	0.84	27.05	22.31	18.81	
PINEVILLE	92	66	78		0.03		21.57	25.11		
BLUEFIELD	89	65	75	2	0.43	0.76	22.89	19.48	17.56	
WHITE SUL SP	91	64	75		0.63		24.15	23.62		
BLUESTONE DAM	87	64	75		0.02		20.61	22.74		
--NORTHEASTERN--										
MARTINSBURG	96	62	80	6	0.49	0.70	15.56	15.75	16.36	
KEYSER	98	59	80		0.36		17.87	18.53		
MOOREFIELD	95	63	79		0.75		16.95	13.36		
State Average Temperature	78									
State Average Precipitation	0.48									

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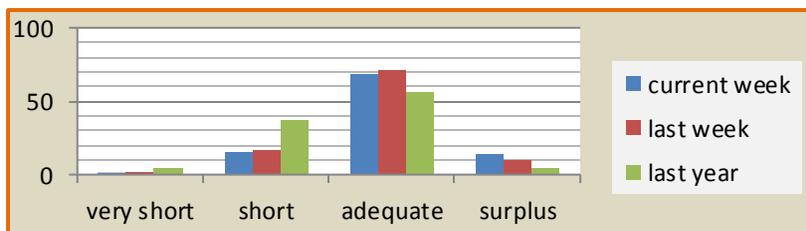
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.3. Farming activities this week included harvesting apples, peaches, and attending the State Fair. Fruit comments from the week include the following: heavy thundershowers on three afternoons this period brought as much as 2.5 inches of precipitation in some local areas. These rains along with very high humidity and high temperatures have provided perfect conditions for brown rot in peaches and rots in apples, especially bitter rot. Weeds and grass are returning in many spots that had herbicides applied earlier due to the excess moisture. Late season weed control is a problem in apples where trees have a full crop and limbs are on the ground.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 08/21/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	16	69	14
Subsoil	1	17	76	6
Hay & Roughage	1	3	93	3

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 08/21/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/21/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	5	19	58	17	1
Corn	4	12	28	55	1
Hay	1	3	26	65	5
Soybeans	-	12	28	55	5
Pasture	1	5	34	56	4
Cattle & Calves	-	1	10	78	11
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	13	78	8

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/21/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	8	4	8	8
Peaches harvested	70	52	60	65
Corn silking	76	66	84	90
Corn dough	62	52	44	55
Corn dented	25	20	13	14
Hay second cut	49	46	52	53
Soybeans blooming	84	70	74	90
Soybeans setting pods	60	41	43	69

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 21, 2016

Temperatures were above normal across the State again this week. Bluefield was the only station to be at average. All other stations ranged from 1 to 6 degrees over average. The first half of the week was well above normal, and temperatures cooled during the last half. Most stations reached the upper 80s or low 90s and dropped into the 50s. Precipitation amounts were up from the previous week. All stations exceeded average for the week, and nearly all stations exceeded one inch. Six sites broke the two inch mark. Overall, the Southwest received the most rain, and the Eastern Panhandle was the driest.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 96 degrees. Marlinton had the lowest recorded temperature of 53 degrees. The state average temperature was 75 degrees.

Precipitation: Williamson had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.85 inches. Moorefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.54 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.56 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/21/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Weekly Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST--										
WHEELING	88	60	75		2.33		18.87	18.78		
PARKERSBURG	90	56	77	3	1.04	0.83	17.38	18.48	18.31	
CRESTON	89	55	75		1.86		21.59	26.50		
--NORTHCENTRAL--										
MORGANTOWN	88	59	76		1.60		22.47	17.98		
CLARKSBURG	89	56	75	3	1.61	0.73	23.55	23.25	20.47	
BELINGTON	92	56	75		1.25		25.23	19.19		
WESTON	91	59	76		2.72		27.61	24.15		
--SOUTHWEST--										
WILLIAMSON	96	61	77		2.85		30.43	33.87		
HUNTINGTON	91	59	77	2	2.44	0.86	25.92	25.20	19.19	
CHARLESTON	92	58	76	1	2.17	0.82	25.00	26.83	19.92	
RIPLEY	90	55	75		1.46		22.95	20.90		
--CENTRAL--										
TERRA ALTA	83	55	71		1.98		25.62	26.49		
ELKINS	89	55	74	5	1.10	0.85	25.07	27.66	21.26	
MARLINTON	87	53	73		0.61		25.26	24.24		
--SOUTHERN--										
BECKLEY	87	54	72	2	1.12	0.73	28.17	23.88	19.54	
PINEVILLE	88	61	76		0.84		22.41	26.09		
BLUEFIELD	86	57	72	0	1.86	0.70	24.75	21.16	18.26	
WHITE SUL SP	89	55	74		2.02		26.17	23.90		
BLUESTONE DAM	87	56	72		1.38		21.99	24.18		
--NORTHEASTERN--										
MARTINSBURG	91	64	79	6	0.94	0.66	16.50	16.93	17.02	
KEYSER	94	55	77		0.59		18.46	20.29		
MOOREFIELD	92	54	77		0.54		17.49	13.65		
State Average Temperature	75									
State Average Precipitation	1.56									

Sources:
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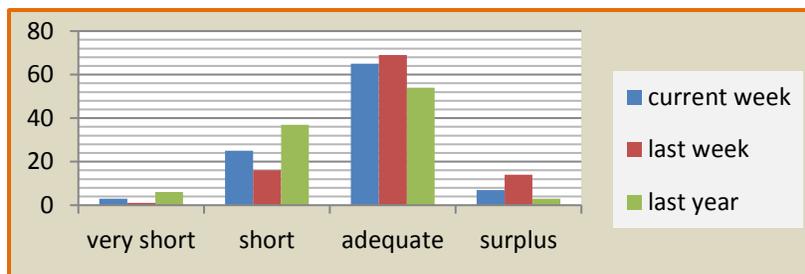
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.6. Farming activities this week included harvesting apples, peaches, and making hay. Fruit comments from the week include the following: conditions are becoming dry, some locations have had no rain for several days. High temperatures coupled with high humidity has resulted in bitter rot showing in some apple cultivars, especially those highly susceptible like Nittany, Honeycrisp, Empire, Granny Smith and Stayman. These weather conditions also contribute to poor red color development. The high temperatures have pushed the later maturing peaches to accelerated softening.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 08/28/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	3	25	65	7
Subsoil	2	21	73	4

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 08/28/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/28/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	3	19	60	17	1
Corn	4	12	26	57	1
Hay	1	5	26	64	4
Soybeans	-	12	34	50	4
Pasture	1	11	35	49	4
Cattle & Calves	-	1	18	69	12
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	16	72	11

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/28/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	19	8	11	15
Peaches harvested	80	70	72	79
Corn silking	83	76	92	95
Corn dough	71	62	59	67
Corn dented	32	25	28	28
Hay second cut	67	49	64	63
Soybeans blooming	90	84	79	94
Soybeans setting pods	71	60	59	80

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 28, 2016

Overall, the State was 2 to 5 degrees above normal this week with the exception of the Southeastern area, which was about 1 degree below normal. The first two days of the week featured well below average temperatures (reaching the upper 70's in most locations) with heat building through to the end of the week (eventually reaching the mid to upper 90's). Lows were generally in the mid 50's before warming up to the mid 60's by week's end. Saturday was the hottest day of the year in many parts of the State, including the Western lowlands. Precipitation was sparse this week, only one station exceeded 0.50 of an inch. Eight stations received zero rainfall. With the exception of the areas of Martinsburg and Parkersburg, most of the State remains above average in recorded precipitation for the season.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 98 degrees. Beckley and White Sulphur Springs had the lowest recorded temperature of 48 degrees. The state average temperature was 74 degrees.

Precipitation: Morgantown had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.57 of an inch. Several locations had zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.15 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/28/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Weekly Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST--										
WHEELING	91	59	75		0.14		19.01	18.78		
PARKERSBURG	95	55	76	3	0.00	0.76	17.38	18.48	19.07	
CRESTON	93	52	74		0.35		21.94	26.50		
--NORTHCENTRAL--										
MORGANTOWN	92	58	76		0.57		23.04	17.98		
CLARKSBURG	93	56	75	4	0.26	0.75	23.81	23.25	21.22	
BELINGTON	96	54	74		0.29		25.52	19.19		
WESTON	95	56	75		0.13		27.74	24.15		
--SOUTHWEST--										
WILLIAMSON	97	62	80		0.04		30.47	33.87		
HUNTINGTON	94	56	77	3	0.00	0.79	25.92	25.20	19.98	
CHARLESTON	96	53	76	2	0.00	0.77	25.00	26.83	20.69	
RIPLEY	93	52	74		0.35		23.30	20.90		
--CENTRAL--										
TERRA ALTA	86	52	70		0.27		25.89	26.52		
ELKINS	93	51	73	5	0.30	0.80	25.37	27.66	22.06	
MARLINTON	90	51	72		0.02		25.28	24.24		
--SOUTHERN--										
BECKLEY	86	48	69	-1	0.00	0.65	28.17	23.90	20.19	
PINEVILLE	92	54	75		0.00		22.41	26.09		
BLUEFIELD	89	53	71	-1	0.32	0.69	25.07	21.18	18.95	
WHITE SUL SP	89	48	71		0.00		26.17	24.00		
BLUESTONE DAM	90	55	73		0.00		21.99	24.18		
--NORTHEASTERN--										
MARTINSBURG	94	56	74	2	0.00	0.68	16.50	16.93	17.70	
KEYSER	98	55	77		0.11		18.57	20.29		
MOOREFIELD	95	54	75		0.04		17.53	13.65		
State Average Temperature	74									
State Average Precipitation	0.15									

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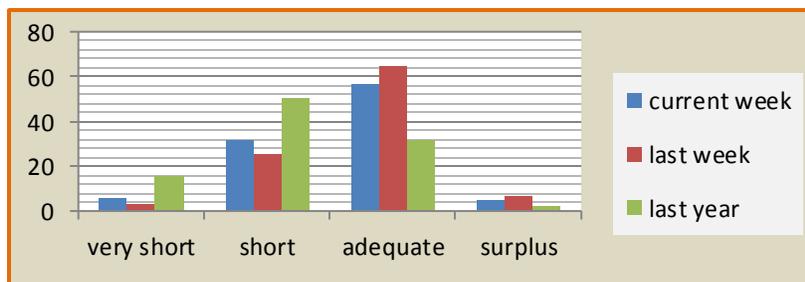
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.6. Farming activities this week included harvesting apples, peaches, and making hay. Weather conditions continue to be drier with spotty rainfall. Fruit comments from the week include the following: bitter rot can be easily found in some apple orchards. The hot weather combined with heavy dew or thundershowers favors this disease. Despite some recent cooler nights, red color development is still lagging in some apple varieties. Maturity is still about 7 to 10 days ahead of "normal".

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 09/04/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	6	32	57	5
Subsoil	4	28	64	4

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 09/04/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 09/04/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	5	19	58	17	1
Corn	4	12	27	56	1
Hay	1	6	28	61	4
Soybeans	-	15	27	55	3
Pasture	3	19	30	44	4
Cattle & Calves	-	1	18	71	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	16	73	10

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 09/04/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	29	19	17	22
Peaches harvested	93	80	82	87
Corn silking	91	83	99	98
Corn dough	82	71	70	77
Corn dented	61	32	40	43
Corn mature	4	-	4	2
Hay second cut	79	67	71	73
Soybeans blooming	95	90	84	96
Soybeans setting pods	80	71	68	88
Soybeans dropping leaves	6	-	1	13

Weather Summary- For the week ending September 04, 2016

Overall, temperatures across the Southeast were below normal with generally near normal readings across the remainder of the State. The first three days of the week featured above average temperatures (average temperatures reaching the mid 70s in many locations) with much cooler temperatures Friday and Saturday. Lows were generally in the low to mid 60s before cooling to the 50s Friday, and continuing through the remainder of the period. Highs were generally in the mid 80s to lower 90s. Precipitation was sparse this week; only two stations exceeded 0.40 of an inch and two stations received zero rainfall. With the exceptions of Parkersburg and Martinsburg, the rest of West Virginia has seen above normal precipitation for the season.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 96 degrees. Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 46 degrees. The state average temperature was 70 degrees.

Precipitation: Clarksburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.43 of an inch. Bluefield and Moorefield had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.13 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 09/04/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST--									
WHEELING	86	56	70		0.37		19.38	18.79	
PARKERSBURG	91	54	72	1	0.05	0.78	17.43	18.48	19.85
CRESTON	90	50	69		0.06		22.00	27.12	
--NORTHCENTRAL--									
MORGANTOWN	89	54	70		0.09		23.13	17.98	
CLARKSBURG	87	55	69	-1	0.43	0.75	24.24	23.34	21.97
BELINGTON	93	51	70		0.01		25.53	19.19	
WESTON	90	53	71		0.02		27.76	24.15	
--SOUTHWEST--									
WILLIAMSON	95	55	74		0.07		30.54	33.87	
HUNTINGTON	92	58	74	1	0.08	0.75	26.00	25.20	20.73
CHARLESTON	91	52	71	-1	0.03	0.78	25.03	26.83	21.47
RIPLEY	90	50	69		0.06		23.36	20.99	
--CENTRAL--									
TERRA ALTA	82	50	65		0.28		26.17	27.22	
ELKINS	88	47	67	0	0.03	0.85	25.40	27.71	22.91
MARLINTON	87	47	68		0.42		25.70	24.46	
--SOUTHERN--									
BECKLEY	86	46	66	-2	0.12	0.66	28.29	24.10	20.85
PINEVILLE	90	51	72		0.06		22.47	26.12	
BLUEFIELD	87	47	68	-2	0.00	0.67	25.07	21.33	19.62
WHITE SUL SP	88	48	69		0.15		26.32	24.00	
BLUESTONE DAM	87	53	69		0.13		22.12	24.18	
--NORTHEASTERN--									
MARTINSBURG	91	54	72	2	0.34	0.75	16.84	16.95	18.45
KEYSER	96	50	72		0.12		18.69	20.91	
MOOREFIELD	90	52	71		0.00		17.53	14.16	
State Average Temperature	70								
State Average Precipitation	0.13								

Sources:
 Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.
 Fruit comments - Stephen S. Miller, Ph.D. Research Horticulturist.

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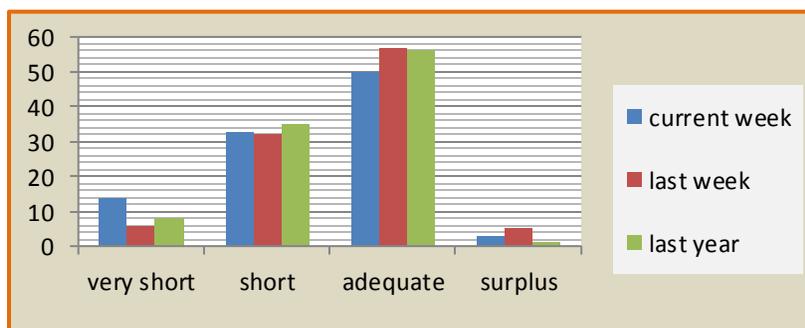
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.1. Farming activities this week included harvesting apples, peaches, and making hay. There were some reports of pinkeye in cattle. In the Northern part of West Virginia, high winds caused some damage to apple trees. Weather conditions are dry. Fruit comments from the week include the following: spotty thundershowers late in the reporting period have helped some locations. The Brown Marmorated Stink Bug is being found in much greater abundance in orchards at this time than for the same time period in 2015. Growers with large acreages are beginning to harvest some Golden Delicious apples.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 09/11/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	14	33	50	3
Subsoil	13	26	58	3

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 09/11/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 09/11/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	1	19	54	21	5
Corn	4	13	25	57	1
Hay	2	7	28	56	7
Soybeans	-	16	24	57	3
Pasture	7	17	29	45	2
Cattle & Calves	-	2	19	70	9
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	18	74	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 09/11/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	42	29	23	29
Peaches harvested	96	93	89	93
Corn silking	95	91	100	100
Corn dough	87	82	77	85
Corn dented	76	61	54	59
Corn mature	25	4	15	9
Hay second cut	87	79	76	79
Hay third cut	14	-	6	12
Soybeans setting pods	84	80	71	91
Soybeans dropping leaves	10	6	6	25

Weather Summary- For the week ending September 11, 2016

Temperatures were above normal statewide this week, with Martinsburg being the farthest from average. Nearly all stations reached the 90s during the week. The warmest temperatures recorded were in the Eastern Panhandle. Keyser and Moorefield both reached 97 degrees, while Martinsburg got to 94. The Southwest was also warm. Williamson reached 95 degrees, while Huntington and Charleston each reached 93. Although temperatures were warm for the week, the State is starting to see some lower minimum temperatures. For the second week in a row, there were some stations that dropped into the 40s at night. Precipitation was generally light across the State. With the exception of Wheeling and Terra Alta, all stations were very dry. Most stations received less than 0.25 of an inch, and three stations received zero precipitation.

Temperatures: Keyser and Moorefield had the highest recorded temperature of 97 degrees. Marlinton had the lowest recorded temperature of 47 degrees. The state average temperature was 73 degrees.

Precipitation: Terra Alta had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.45 inches. Bluefield, White Sulphur Springs, and Bluestone Dam had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.24 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 09/11/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST--										
WHEELING	89	54	74		1.17		20.55	19.35		
PARKERSBURG	93	52	76	7	0.16	0.73	17.59	18.77	20.58	
CRESTON	92	49	72		0.17		22.17	27.56		
--NORTHCENTRAL--										
MORGANTOWN	92	57	75		0.16		23.29	18.06		
CLARKSBURG	91	53	74	7	0.07	0.84	24.31	23.41	22.81	
BELINGTON	93	51	74		0.08		25.61	19.52		
WESTON	90	52	74		0.16		27.92	24.20		
--SOUTHWEST--										
WILLIAMSON	95	55	77		0.32		30.86	35.68		
HUNTINGTON	93	56	76	5	0.08	0.68	26.08	25.39	21.41	
CHARLESTON	93	51	75	5	0.13	0.77	25.16	27.45	22.24	
RIPLEY	92	49	72		0.17		23.53	21.74		
--CENTRAL--										
TERRA ALTA	84	49	69		1.45		27.62	28.01		
ELKINS	91	48	72	7	0.06	0.81	25.46	28.41	23.72	
MARLINTON	89	47	70		0.01		25.71	24.87		
--SOUTHERN--										
BECKLEY	86	48	69	3	0.02	0.69	28.31	26.94	21.54	
PINEVILLE	90	52	73		0.04		22.51	27.77		
BLUEFIELD	87	51	70	1	0.00	0.70	25.07	22.77	20.32	
WHITE SUL SP	89	49	71		0.00		26.32	24.00		
BLUESTONE DAM	86	54	72		0.00		22.12	24.37		
--NORTHEASTERN--										
MARTINSBURG	94	54	77	9	0.80	0.79	17.64	18.32	19.24	
KEYSER	97	49	77		0.11		18.80	21.43		
MOOREFIELD	97	48	76		0.10		17.63	14.66		
State Average Temperature	73									
State Average Precipitation	0.24									

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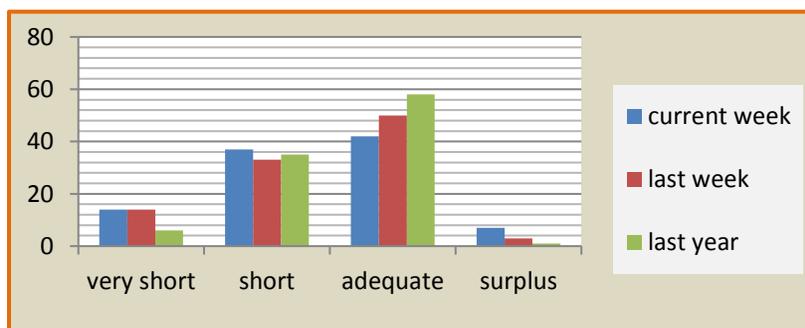
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.9. Farming activities this week included harvesting apples, corn for grain, and making hay. Weather conditions are very dry; some producers are hauling water. Fruit comments from the week include the following: dry and humid weather returned this period after a brief cooling spell. Red color development is very poor on some apple varieties and likely will not develop later as maturity has advanced too far. Peach growers find this a good time to spray for trunk borer. More Brown Marmorated Stink Bugs are being seen in orchards than in the previous two seasons at this time.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 09/18/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	14	37	42	7
Subsoil	13	29	54	4

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 09/18/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 09/18/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	1	19	56	19	5
Corn	4	12	27	56	1
Hay	3	5	30	57	5
Soybeans	-	9	25	61	5
Pasture	11	15	29	41	4
Cattle & Calves	-	2	17	71	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	16	76	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 09/18/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	50	42	29	38
Corn dough	92	87	83	91
Corn dented	84	76	71	71
Corn mature	36	25	28	20
Corn harvested for grain	4	-	3	2
Hay second cut	93	87	82	87
Hay third cut	34	14	17	26
Soybeans setting pods	90	84	74	94
Soybeans dropping leaves	13	10	13	40

Weather Summary- For the week ending September 18, 2016

West Virginia experienced above normal temperatures statewide again last week. The above normal range was from +4 at Beckley to +8 at Elkins. Half of the stations reached the 90s, while the other half warmed into the 80s. Low temperatures dropped into the 40s and 50s. Most sites across the State remained drier than normal for the week. The only relief from the dry conditions were showers associated with a cold front that passed at the end of the week. This cold front gave many locations their only precipitation for the week. Beckley was the only location to exceed average.

Because of the dry conditions, the National Drought Mitigation Center added parts of West Virginia to drought condition D0. A D0 drought condition indicates that areas are abnormally dry.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 94 degrees. Marlinton had the lowest recorded temperature of 47 degrees. The state average temperature was 71 degrees.

Precipitation: Beckley had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.40 inches. Marlinton had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.04 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.44 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 09/18/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	84	54	70		0.27		20.82	19.33		
PARKERSBURG	91	52	73	6	0.57	0.72	18.16	18.77	21.30	
CRESTON	90	49	71		0.57		22.74	27.89		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	89	57	74		0.59		23.88	18.06		
CLARKSBURG	88	53	71	6	0.55	0.84	24.86	23.41	23.65	
BELINGTON	90	51	72		0.23		25.84	19.55		
WESTON	89	52	72		0.22		28.14	24.20		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	92	58	75		0.56		31.42	36.13		
HUNTINGTON	91	56	75	7	0.26	0.64	26.34	25.39	22.05	
CHARLESTON	92	53	74	6	0.34	0.78	25.50	27.53	23.02	
RIPLEY	90	49	72		0.57		24.10	21.83		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	81	54	67		0.52		28.14	28.03		
ELKINS	88	49	71	8	0.26	0.90	25.72	28.48	24.62	
MARLINTON	85	47	67		0.04		25.75	25.12		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	85	48	68	4	1.40	0.77	29.71	27.14	22.31	
PINEVILLE	91	54	73		0.98		23.49	27.81		
BLUEFIELD	87	52	71	5	0.46	0.78	25.53	22.89	21.10	
WHITE SUL SP	86	50	69		0.40		26.72	24.01		
BLUESTONE DAM	85	56	71		0.33		22.45	24.38		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	92	57	72	6	0.10	0.89	17.74	18.32	20.13	
KEYSER	94	54	71		0.35		19.15	21.43		
MOOREFIELD	91	55	73		0.17		17.80	14.71		
State Average Temperature	71									
State Average Precipitation	0.44									

Sources:
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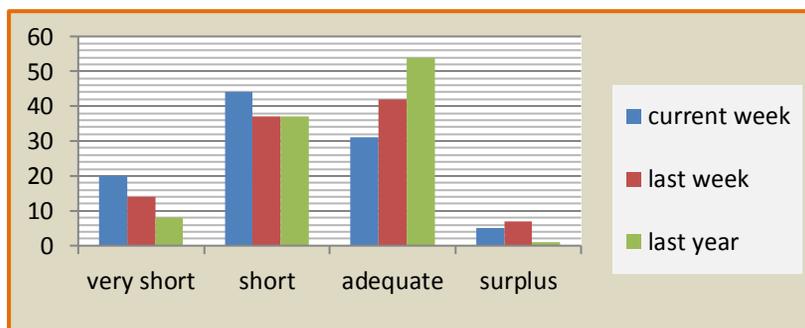
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.1. Weather conditions are very dry, precipitation was limited; some producers are hauling water and feeding hay. Farming activities this week included harvesting apples, corn for grain, and making hay. Farmers are getting ready for fall feeder sales. Apple harvest continues.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 09/25/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	20	44	31	5
Subsoil	16	44	38	2

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 09/25/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 09/25/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Corn	4	12	28	55	1
Hay	6	6	31	51	6
Soybeans	-	14	26	57	3
Pasture	11	16	40	31	2
Cattle & Calves	-	2	19	70	9
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	16	76	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 09/25/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	58	50	36	47
Corn dough	95	92	92	97
Corn dented	88	84	80	81
Corn mature	62	36	35	32
Corn harvested for grain	18	4	10	6
Hay second cut	97	93	87	90
Hay third cut	63	34	30	40
Soybeans setting pods	94	90	80	96
Soybeans dropping leaves	29	13	25	57

Weather Summary- For the week ending September 25, 2016

West Virginia experienced well above normal temperatures statewide again this week with strong high pressure centered over the area. The above normal range was from +4 at Bluefield to +10 at Huntington. A high temperature of 93 tied the record high for the date at the Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Airport on 9/23. Nine of the stations reached the 90s, while the others warmed into the 80s; there was persistent heat throughout the week. Low temperatures dropped into the 50s and 60s. The week was especially dry across the State; twelve sites received no rainfall.

The National Drought Mitigation Center increased the area under D0 drought from 44.85% to 62.22% last week. A D0 drought is the lowest drought category, indicating “abnormally dry” conditions.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 93 degrees. Elkins and Martinsburg had the lowest recorded temperature of 48 degrees. The state average temperature was 70 degrees.

Precipitation: Bluefield had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.20 of an inch. Several locations had zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.05 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 09/25/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	88	51	70		0.00		20.82	19.35		
PARKERSBURG	92	54	72	8	0.00	0.69	18.16	18.77	21.99	
CRESTON	89	53	70		0.00		22.74	28.35		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	90	54	71		0.00		23.88	18.07		
CLARKSBURG	88	52	69	7	0.00	0.78	24.86	23.62	24.43	
BELINGTON	90	53	71		0.00		25.84	19.86		
WESTON	89	53	71		0.00		28.14	24.22		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	91	58	75		0.00		31.42	36.85		
HUNTINGTON	92	60	75	10	0.00	0.60	26.34	25.39	22.65	
CHARLESTON	91	56	73	8	0.00	0.74	25.50	28.32	23.76	
RIPLEY	89	53	70		0.00		24.10	22.29		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	82	49	66		0.01		28.15	28.17		
ELKINS	88	48	67	7	0.00	0.84	25.72	28.72	25.46	
MARLINTON	85	50	68		0.16		25.91	25.98		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	82	50	66	5	0.13	0.67	29.84	27.85	22.98	
PINEVILLE	85	59	72		0.01		23.50	28.70		
BLUEFIELD	84	54	68	4	0.20	0.74	25.73	24.03	21.84	
WHITE SUL SP	85	51	68		0.19		26.91	24.04		
BLUESTONE DAM	85	58	70		0.13		22.58	25.56		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	90	48	69	6	0.10	0.83	17.84	18.50	20.96	
KEYSER	93	50	70		0.06		19.21	21.91		
MOOREFIELD	92	51	70		0.04		17.84	15.61		
State Average Temperature	70									
State Average Precipitation	0.05									

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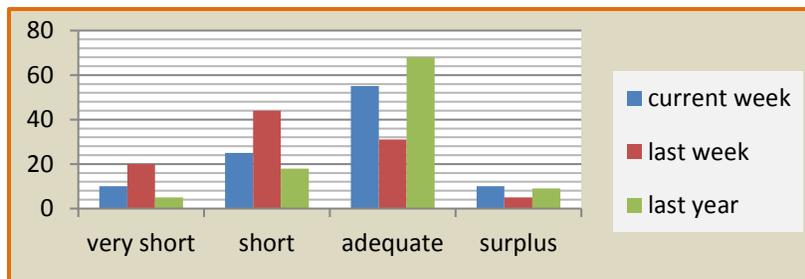
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.1. Farming activities this week included harvesting apples, making hay, and planting wheat. After weeks of dry conditions, the State received needed rain that produced some flooding and soft soil conditions. Fruit comments from the week include the following: four days of rain, drizzle, and dense fog had an effect on apple harvest. Rots, such as bitter rot are still active and late maturing apple varieties may require additional fungicide treatments. Treatments for the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug are still being applied to late maturing varieties such as Pink Lady.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 10/02/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	10	25	55	10
Subsoil	10	29	57	4
Hay & roughage	1	3	93	3

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 10/02/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 10/02/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Corn	4	12	27	56	1
Hay	4	5	34	50	7
Soybeans	-	14	25	56	5
Pasture	12	20	34	30	4
Cattle & Calves	-	2	19	71	8
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	16	76	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 10/02/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	62	58	41	55
Corn dented	92	88	85	88
Corn mature	76	62	40	42
Corn harvested for grain	25	18	18	12
Hay third cut	73	63	38	53
Soybeans setting pods	95	94	83	97
Soybeans dropping leaves	46	29	38	70
Soybeans harvested	6	-	3	6
Winter Wheat planted	4	-	4	17

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending October 2, 2016

Temperatures were down a little from the previous week, and precipitation amounts were up. Temperatures in West Virginia began above normal and due to a cold front midweek, became near normal by the end of the week. Overall, most stations were just above normal while Huntington, Charleston, and Bluefield were below normal. Most of the high temperatures reached the 80s and the lows were in the 40s. After a long dry period, the State received large amounts of rain due to upper atmosphere instability. Flooding was reported in several mountain counties. All stations except Bluefield were above average. Elkins and Marlinton both received over four inches. There were an additional four stations to exceed three inches, and four stations to exceed two inches. All stations but one had at least one inch of precipitation. The driest part of the State was the Southeast; the Central and Northcentral areas received the most precipitation.

Temperatures: Clarksburg, Weston, Charleston, and Moorefield had the highest recorded temperature of 87 degrees. Elkins had the lowest recorded temperature of 38 degrees. The state average temperature was 62 degrees.

Precipitation: Elkins had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 4.19 inches. Bluefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.45 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 2.10 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 10/02/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	78	53	63		2.25		23.07	19.41		
PARKERSBURG	82	43	62	1	1.66	0.67	19.82	18.80	22.66	
CRESTON	84	41	61		1.21		23.95	31.23		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	84	50	65		2.75		26.63	18.23		
CLARKSBURG	87	44	63	3	3.05	0.78	27.91	23.71	25.21	
BELINGTON	85	42	64		3.27		29.11	20.15		
WESTON	87	45	66		2.70		30.84	24.30		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	85	49	64		1.68		33.10	37.85		
HUNTINGTON	82	48	62	-1	1.51	0.61	27.85	25.39	23.26	
CHARLESTON	87	43	62	-1	1.03	0.68	26.53	30.83	24.44	
RIPLEY	84	41	61		1.21		25.31	22.73		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	79	42	58		1.52		29.67	30.01		
ELKINS	83	38	62	5	4.19	0.75	29.91	30.17	26.21	
MARLINTON	79	40	61		4.05		29.96	27.58		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	82	40	61	3	0.69	0.64	30.53	29.26	23.62	
PINEVILLE	84	45	62		1.08		24.58	29.94		
BLUEFIELD	81	43	61	-1	0.45	0.71	26.18	26.52	22.55	
WHITE SUL SP	83	39	61		1.82		28.73	24.07		
BLUESTONE DAM	78	48	63		0.65		23.23	26.03		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	80	53	64	4	3.69	0.79	21.53	21.76	21.75	
KEYSER	82	40	59		3.44		22.65	24.77		
MOOREFIELD	87	46	62		2.23		20.07	18.31		
State Average Temperature	62									
State Average Precipitation	2.10									

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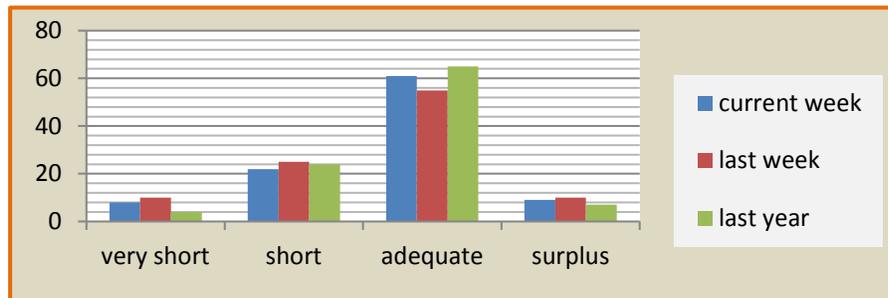
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.4. Farming activities this week included harvesting corn for grain, apples, making hay, and planting wheat. Hurricane Matthew brought rain to the State during the latter part of the week. Comments from the week include the following: windy conditions damaged corn still standing, rain has brought on some late grass, and small grains look good. The apple harvest continues.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 10/09/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	8	22	61	9
Subsoil	10	24	61	5

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 10/09/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 10/09/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Corn	4	11	27	57	1
Soybeans	-	10	25	60	5
Pasture	4	14	46	33	3
Cattle & Calves	-	2	19	69	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	16	76	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 10/09/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	70	62	51	66
Corn dented	96	92	90	94
Corn mature	85	76	45	57
Corn harvested for grain	45	25	23	18
Hay third cut	85	73	51	67
Soybeans dropping leaves	56	46	47	78
Soybeans harvested	11	6	7	13
Winter Wheat planted	19	4	11	28

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending October 9, 2016

Overall in West Virginia, temperatures were within a degree or two above or below average for the week. The exception was Huntington, which reported 4 degrees warmer than average. Most of the remaining sites were above average, except in Southern West Virginia where temperatures ran slightly below average. Several rounds of rainfall, particularly late week rain from Hurricane Matthew, ensured most areas would have above average precipitation for the week. Some locations, most notably in the Eastern Panhandle, were drier than normal except for Keyser. Additionally, Huntington saw below average precipitation as well as Parkersburg. The most significant rainfall occurred in Southern and North Central West Virginia.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 84 degrees. Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 33 degrees. The state average temperature was 59 degrees.

Precipitation: Weston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.66 inches. Huntington had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 1.03 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 10/09/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	77	45	61		0.13		23.20	19.41		
PARKERSBURG	79	36	60	2	0.02	0.64	19.84	18.82	23.30	
CRESTON	80	34	58		0.03		23.98	31.54		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	78	40	62		1.40		28.03	18.23		
CLARKSBURG	77	38	58	1	2.21	0.74	30.12	23.71	25.95	
BELINGTON	82	37	59		2.25		31.36	20.15		
WESTON	80	39	58		2.66		33.50	24.30		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	84	42	64		0.12		33.22	37.97		
HUNTINGTON	82	43	64	4	0.00	0.62	27.85	25.39	23.88	
CHARLESTON	82	38	60	0	1.18	0.61	27.71	31.10	25.05	
RIPLEY	80	34	58		0.03		25.34	22.92		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	69	35	55		1.75		31.42	30.86		
ELKINS	77	36	56	2	0.81	0.66	30.72	30.61	26.87	
MARLINTON	70	35	56		1.26		31.22	28.08		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	71	33	55	-1	1.17	0.58	31.70	29.99	24.20	
PINEVILLE	75	42	59		0.64		25.22	30.50		
BLUEFIELD	73	34	57	-2	1.20	0.59	27.38	27.34	23.14	
WHITE SUL SP	73	38	56		1.26		29.99	24.08		
BLUESTONE DAM	75	38	58		2.18		25.41	26.03		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	75	44	59	2	0.27	0.72	21.80	21.96	22.47	
KEYSER	74	43	57		1.43		24.08	25.04		
MOOREFIELD	75	44	59		0.57		20.64	18.66		
State Average Temperature	59									
State Average Precipitation	1.03									

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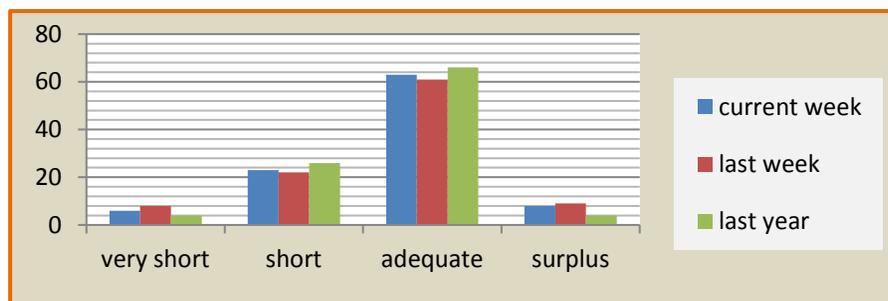
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.3. Farming activities this week included harvesting corn for grain, apples, soybeans, making hay, and planting wheat. Fall feeder sales are in full swing; calves are moving now. Fruit comments from the week include the following: in addition to bitter rot and stink bug damage, some growers are reporting woolly apple aphid infestations above normal. Cool and dry weather was a welcome relief and has allowed the harvest of apples to move rapidly ahead over the past week.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 10/16/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	6	23	63	8
Subsoil	7	25	63	5

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 10/16/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 10/16/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Corn	5	11	27	56	1
Soybeans	-	10	24	61	5
Pasture	3	17	43	33	4
Cattle & Calves	-	2	21	68	9
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	16	76	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 10/16/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	77	70	67	76
Corn mature	91	85	57	70
Corn harvested for grain	57	45	26	26
Hay third cut	93	85	68	75
Soybeans dropping leaves	64	56	56	87
Soybeans harvested	21	11	10	22
Winter Wheat planted	30	19	26	47
Winter Wheat emerged	4	-	7	22

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending October 16, 2016

West Virginia recorded a mix of temperatures this week. High temperatures for the week ranged from the mid 70s to the low 80s, with a few days only reaching the 50s and 60s. Low temperatures were mostly in the 30s. Terra Alta was the only station to drop to below freezing. Overall, most stations were just above normal for the week, except for Beckley, Bluefield, and Martinsburg. The State remained very dry. All stations were well below average and several stations received zero precipitation for the week. The driest areas of West Virginia were the Southern coalfields and the Eastern Panhandle.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 83 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 31 degrees. The state average temperature was 56 degrees.

Precipitation: Williamson had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.45 of an inch. Several locations had zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.12 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 10/16/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	78	36	56		0.27		23.47	19.57		
PARKERSBURG	80	36	57	1	0.26	0.65	20.10	18.96	23.95	
CRESTON	81	33	56		0.09		24.07	31.67		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	78	38	57		0.32		28.35	18.41		
CLARKSBURG	76	36	54	0	0.22	0.66	30.34	23.81	26.61	
BELINGTON	77	36	55		0.07		31.43	20.25		
WESTON	78	37	56		0.18		33.68	24.41		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	83	41	62		0.45		33.67	38.22		
HUNTINGTON	82	41	60	3	0.06	0.61	27.91	25.47	24.49	
CHARLESTON	81	38	60	3	0.08	0.57	27.79	31.25	25.62	
RIPLEY	81	33	55		0.09		25.43	23.16		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	71	31	52		0.33		31.75	31.00		
ELKINS	77	35	54	2	0.07	0.63	30.79	30.64	27.50	
MARLINTON	74	34	54		0.00		31.22	28.10		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	73	33	53	-1	0.03	0.56	31.73	30.16	24.76	
PINEVILLE	79	39	59		0.03		25.25	30.67		
BLUEFIELD	76	33	56	-1	0.00	0.55	27.38	27.49	23.69	
WHITE SUL SP	74	35	54		0.00		29.99	24.17		
BLUESTONE DAM	74	38	56		0.00		25.41	26.12		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	79	35	53	-2	0.00	0.69	21.80	22.08	23.16	
KEYSER	82	33	53		0.07		24.15	25.09		
MOOREFIELD	82	37	55		0.00		20.64	18.67		
State Average Temperature	56									
State Average Precipitation	0.12									

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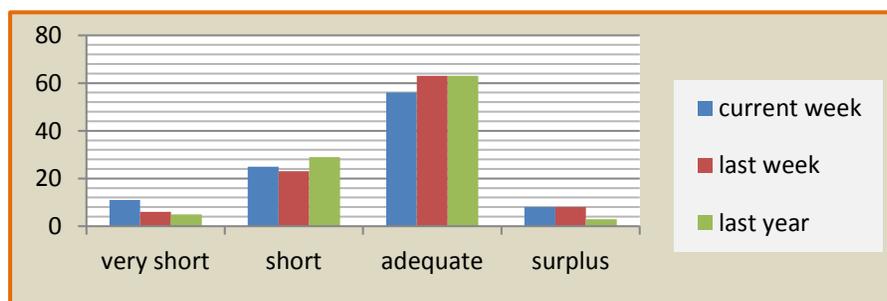
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.0. Farming activities this week included harvesting corn for grain, apples, making hay, and planting wheat. Cooler temperatures is helping with the moisture conservation. Fruit comments from the week include the following: Good pink color on the Pink Lady apple variety is somewhat lacking this year. Apple maturity continues to be advanced by 7 to 10 days.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 10/23/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	11	25	56	8
Subsoil	11	27	57	5

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 10/23/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 10/23/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Soybeans	-	12	25	58	5
Pasture	5	16	39	36	4
Cattle & Calves	-	2	20	68	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	16	75	8

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 10/23/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	86	77	84	86
Corn mature	93	91	75	83
Corn harvested for grain	65	57	40	39
Hay third cut	96	93	77	85
Soybeans dropping leaves	75	64	75	92
Soybeans harvested	43	21	28	37
Winter Wheat planted	41	30	37	56
Winter Wheat emerged	20	4	17	30

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending October 23, 2016

West Virginia temperatures were above normal across the State. The above normal temperatures were due to very warm temperatures the first half of the week. During that time period, most stations reached the low to mid 80s. The last half of the week was much cooler and the mountains even saw the first snowflakes of the year. The low temperatures dropped into the 30s and 40s.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 88 degrees. Bluefield had the lowest recorded temperature of 31 degrees. The state average temperature was 60 degrees.

Precipitation: Weston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 3.14 inches. Several locations had less than 1 inch of recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 1.55 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 10/23/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	81	42	61		2.31		25.78	19.57		
PARKERSBURG	84	39	62	8	2.24	0.62	22.34	18.96	24.57	
CRESTON	85	32	60		2.25		26.32	31.99		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	85	42	64		2.77		31.12	18.41		
CLARKSBURG	82	39	61	9	2.80	0.69	33.14	23.81	27.30	
BELINGTON	86	37	59		1.69		33.12	20.31		
WESTON	82	39	61		3.14		36.82	24.41		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	88	40	63		1.00		34.67	38.46		
HUNTINGTON	87	40	63	8	2.16	0.63	30.07	25.47	25.12	
CHARLESTON	86	38	62	7	2.79	0.57	30.58	31.42	26.19	
RIPLEY	85	32	60		2.25		27.68	23.30		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	78	34	57		1.98		33.73	31.50		
ELKINS	85	38	58	8	1.58	0.61	32.37	30.73	28.11	
MARLINTON	79	36	57		0.47		31.69	28.10		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	80	32	57	5	1.30	0.56	33.03	30.19	25.32	
PINEVILLE	83	35	59		1.16		26.41	30.85		
BLUEFIELD	78	31	56	1	0.81	0.53	28.19	27.52	24.22	
WHITE SUL SP	81	39	58		0.50		30.49	24.17		
BLUESTONE DAM	81	36	58		0.61		26.02	26.15		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	85	46	64	12	0.08	0.67	21.88	22.08	23.83	
KEYSER	85	44	62		0.21		24.36	25.11		
MOOREFIELD	84	46	63		0.06		20.70	18.67		
State Average Temperature	60									
State Average Precipitation	1.55									

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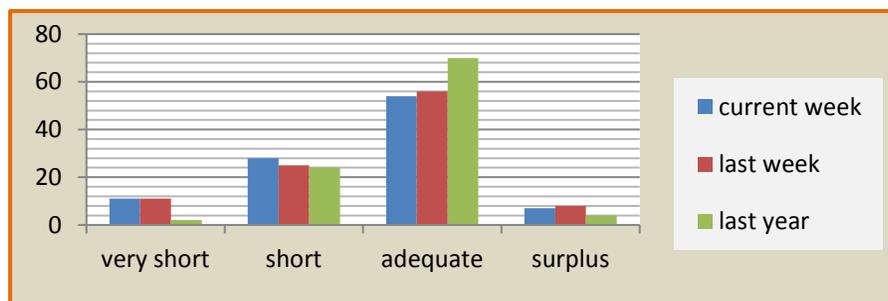
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.8. Farming activities this week included harvesting apples, corn for grain, soybeans, and planting wheat. Fruit comments from the week include the following: apple harvest is quickly coming to an end. Drop on the late varieties like Pink Lady is accelerating with the 80 degree temperatures over the past few days. Peach leaf drop is only about 10 percent, but with cooler conditions it should accelerate.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 10/30/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	11	28	54	7
Subsoil	12	30	54	4

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 10/30/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 10/30/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Soybeans	-	12	26	58	4
Pasture	5	16	39	35	5
Cattle & Calves	-	2	20	68	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	-	16	76	8

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 10/30/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	90	86	93	93
Corn mature	99	93	84	92
Corn harvested for grain	75	65	49	53
Soybeans dropping leaves	83	75	85	96
Soybeans harvested	46	43	39	50
Winter Wheat planted	52	41	54	67
Winter Wheat emerged	32	20	31	44

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending October 30, 2016

West Virginia had a mix of temperatures this week from below freezing to the 80s. Most of the State remained above average this week. The only exception, Bluefield, was two degrees below normal. Most of the high temperatures for the week reached the 70s and 80s, and the lows mostly dropped into the 30s. Beckley, Keyser, and Moorefield were the only stations that dropped into the 20s. Precipitation amounts remained very low; all stations received less than normal precipitation and some locations received no rain.

Temperatures: Williamson and Martinsburg had the highest recorded temperature of 83 degrees. Keyser had the lowest recorded temperature of 28 degrees. The state average temperature was 53 degrees.

Precipitation: Terra Alta had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.65 of an inch. Pineville, Bluefield, and Bluestone Dam had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.18 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 10/30/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST--										
WHEELING	76	34	53		0.19		25.97	19.71		
PARKERSBURG	78	33	54	2	0.15	0.68	22.49	18.99	25.25	
CRESTON	79	30	54		0.25		26.57	33.16		
--NORTHCENTRAL--										
MORGANTOWN	77	35	54		0.19		31.31	18.66		
CLARKSBURG	76	33	53	3	0.27	0.75	33.41	24.05	28.05	
BELINGTON	77	35	54		0.33		33.45	20.77		
WESTON	78	35	54		0.30		37.12	24.42		
--SOUTHWEST--										
WILLIAMSON	83	38	59		0.05		34.72	39.19		
HUNTINGTON	81	37	57	4	0.05	0.68	30.12	26.16	25.80	
CHARLESTON	80	34	55	2	0.13	0.65	30.71	32.21	26.84	
RIPLEY	79	30	54		0.25		27.93	23.89		
--CENTRAL--										
TERRA ALTA	70	31	47		0.65		34.38	32.84		
ELKINS	75	30	50	2	0.12	0.67	32.49	31.65	28.78	
MARLINTON	73	30	50		0.07		31.76	29.43		
--SOUTHERN--										
BECKLEY	73	29	52	2	0.05	0.62	33.08	31.45	25.94	
PINEVILLE	79	34	55		0.00		26.41	31.70		
BLUEFIELD	71	30	52	-2	0.00	0.57	28.19	29.18	24.79	
WHITE SUL SP	73	30	52		0.06		30.55	24.47		
BLUESTONE DAM	75	36	56		0.00		26.02	26.60		
--NORTHEASTERN--										
MARTINSBURG	83	30	54	4	0.28	0.68	22.16	23.38	24.51	
KEYSER	79	28	51		0.33		24.69	26.25		
MOOREFIELD	82	29	52		0.17		20.87	19.43		
State Average Temperature	53									
State Average Precipitation	0.18									

Sources:
 Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.
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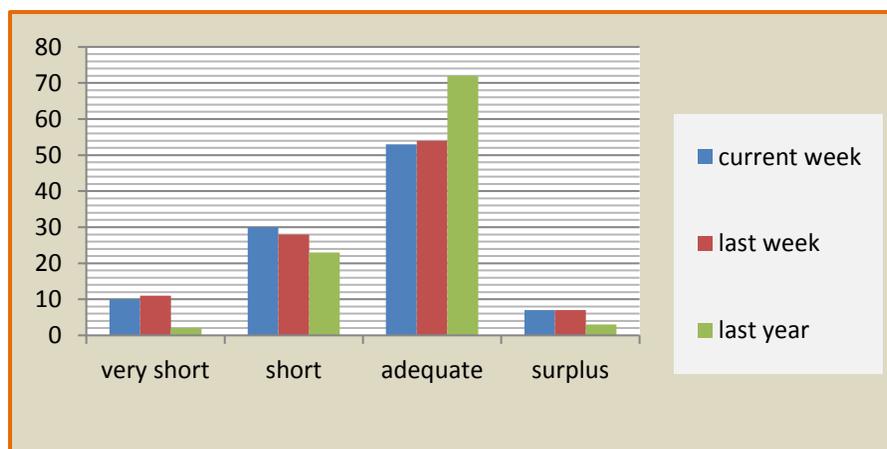
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.5. Farming activities this week included harvesting apples, corn for grain, soybeans, and planting wheat. There have been reports of damage in some fields from wildlife. Fruit comments from the week include the following: fall herbicide applications are being made in some tree fruit crops. This application will generally provide good weed control from spring through early summer.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/06/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	10	30	53	7
Subsoil	11	31	54	4

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 11/06/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 11/06/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Soybeans	-	14	26	56	4
Cattle & Calves	-	2	20	69	9
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	16	75	8

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 11/06/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	95	90	99	97
Corn harvested for grain	80	75	63	63
Soybeans dropping leaves	88	83	88	97
Soybeans harvested	55	46	51	62
Winter Wheat planted	57	52	73	78
Winter Wheat emerged	40	32	46	53

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending November 6, 2016

Due to dry conditions and high pressure dominating during the week, temperatures were above average across the State. The first half of the week was far above average and with a cold front crossing midweek, temperatures dropped to near normal for the last half. Overall, the above normal range was from 2 degrees above average in Bluefield to 7 degrees above average in Huntington. Most sites reached the upper 70s to mid 80s and dropped into the low 30s to upper 20s. West Virginia remained very dry. Zero stations met or exceeded average for the week. Elkins received the most precipitation, while Martinsburg received no recordable precipitation. The Eastern Panhandle was the driest area.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 85 degrees. Beckley and White Sulphur Springs had the lowest recorded temperature of 27 degrees. The state average temperature was 54 degrees.

Precipitation: Elkins had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.76 of an inch. Martinsburg had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.32 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 11/06/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	80	34	56		0.15		26.12	19.71		
PARKERSBURG	81	32	55	5	0.07	0.75	22.56	18.99	26.00	
CRESTON	82	30	53		0.35		26.92	33.30		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	81	35	56		0.17		31.48	18.66		
CLARKSBURG	77	32	53	5	0.19	0.89	33.60	24.05	28.94	
BELINGTON	80	31	55		0.40		33.85	20.79		
WESTON	81	33	55		0.34		37.46	24.42		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	85	38	60		0.30		35.02	39.19		
HUNTINGTON	83	35	58	7	0.32	0.77	30.44	26.16	26.57	
CHARLESTON	83	32	56	5	0.64	0.81	31.35	32.32	27.65	
RIPLEY	82	30	53		0.35		28.28	23.91		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	73	31	51		0.17		34.55	33.06		
ELKINS	78	28	52	6	0.76	0.77	33.25	31.71	29.55	
MARLINTON	76	28	53		0.61		32.37	29.43		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	77	27	53	5	0.51	0.68	33.59	31.54	26.62	
PINEVILLE	77	34	57		0.59		27.00	31.96		
BLUEFIELD	74	28	54	2	0.21	0.61	28.40	29.50	25.40	
WHITE SUL SP	77	27	53		0.38		30.93	24.47		
BLUESTONE DAM	76	36	56		0.36		26.38	26.68		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	79	33	53	5	0.00	0.72	22.16	23.38	25.23	
KEYSER	83	29	52		0.02		24.71	26.25		
MOOREFIELD	84	28	53		0.06		20.93	19.43		
State Average Temperature	54									
State Average Precipitation	0.32									

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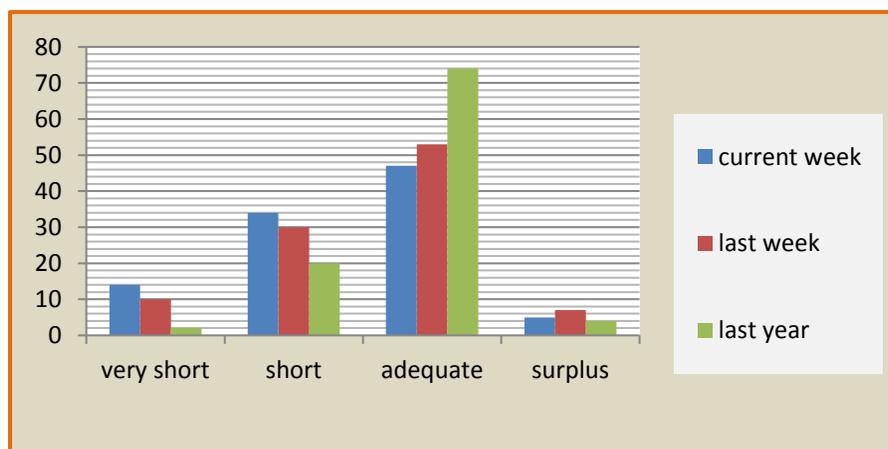
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.2. Farming activities this week included harvesting corn for grain, soybeans, and planting wheat. Some locations had their first killing frosts this weekend. Fruit comments from the week include the following: peach leaf drop is about 50 percent complete. Sprays for bacterial spot and peach leaf curl are in order. The lack of moisture in this area is noted by many growers.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/13/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	14	34	47	5
Subsoil	14	35	48	3

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 11/13/16



LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 11/13/16

Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Cattle & Calves	-	2	23	65	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	19	72	8

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 11/13/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn harvested for grain	85	80	77	76
Soybeans dropping leaves	95	88	95	99
Soybeans harvested	73	55	66	73
Winter Wheat planted	70	57	83	86
Winter Wheat emerged	58	40	61	64

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending November 13, 2016

The cooler fall/winter air finally pushed into the Mountain State. Temperatures were at or below normal for most stations during the week. Martinsburg, in the Eastern Panhandle, was the only station to exceed average. The daytime maximum temperatures reached the 60s and 70s, while the minimum temperatures dropped into the 20s, and even the teens in several locations. The State average temperature was ten degrees cooler than the previous week. Precipitation continues to be below average across the State. The only station to meet or exceed average precipitation was Elkins.

Temperatures: Williamson and Martinsburg had the highest recorded temperature of 77 degrees. White Sulphur Springs and Moorefield had the lowest recorded temperature of 17 degrees. The state average temperature was 44 degrees.

Precipitation: Elkins had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.87 of an inch. Bluestone Dam had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.04 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.31 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 11/13/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	69	29	45		0.28		26.40	19.76		
PARKERSBURG	72	23	45	-3	0.30	0.74	22.86	19.01	26.74	
CRESTON	74	25	45		0.21		27.13	34.05		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	71	27	46		0.54		32.02	18.79		
CLARKSBURG	67	21	43	-3	0.38	0.90	33.98	24.25	29.84	
BELINGTON	74	23	45		0.52		34.37	20.97		
WESTON	71	25	45		0.47		37.93	24.61		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	77	26	47		0.30		35.32	39.44		
HUNTINGTON	73	27	48	-1	0.24	0.75	30.68	26.18	27.32	
CHARLESTON	74	23	46	-3	0.29	0.84	31.64	32.68	28.49	
RIPLEY	73	25	45		0.22		28.50	24.06		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	63	21	41		0.66		35.21	34.06		
ELKINS	68	19	42	-2	0.87	0.73	34.12	32.68	30.28	
MARLINTON	65	19	42		0.18		32.55	30.72		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	67	19	42	-4	0.19	0.65	33.78	32.08	27.27	
PINEVILLE	68	24	44		0.17		27.17	32.97		
BLUEFIELD	66	19	42	-7	0.16	0.58	28.56	30.42	25.98	
WHITE SUL SP	65	17	42		0.07		31.00	24.48		
BLUESTONE DAM	66	28	45		0.04		26.42	26.68		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	77	23	48	2	0.40	0.67	22.56	24.05	25.90	
KEYSER	69	22	45		0.15		24.86	27.05		
MOOREFIELD	67	17	45		0.17		21.10	19.98		
State Average Temperature	44									
State Average Precipitation	0.31									

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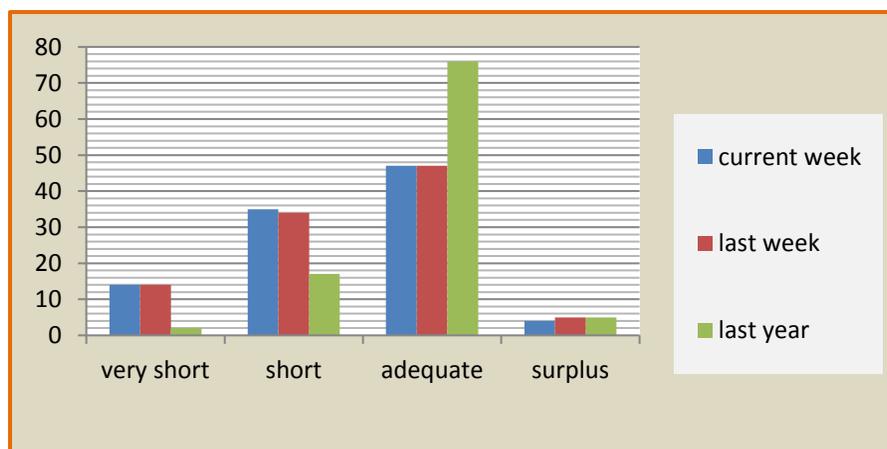
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.0. Farming activities this week included harvesting corn for grain, soybeans, and planting wheat. A strong cold front moved through on Saturday, bringing snow and frosts. Soil conditions continue to get drier. Fruit comments from the week include the following: the Eastern Panhandle is dry. The last major rainfall was in the end of September.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/20/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	14	35	47	4
Subsoil	15	35	47	3

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 11/20/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 11/20/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Winter wheat	-	24	49	26	1
Cattle & Calves	-	2	22	66	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	18	74	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 11/20/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn harvested for grain	90	85	85	84
Soybeans harvested	79	73	76	82
Winter Wheat planted	89	70	89	92
Winter Wheat emerged	77	58	69	73

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending November 20, 2016

West Virginia was generally on the cool side of average during the week. All stations were average or cooler, except for Huntington and Martinsburg. For most of the week, temperatures were just above average statewide. A strong cold front on Saturday dropped temperatures to well below freezing, and the State recorded its first widespread snow of the season. Post frontal low temperatures were in the teens and 20s. The State average precipitation total was down from the previous week. All stations reported below average precipitation; no stations met or exceeded normal.

Temperatures: Huntington and Charleston had the highest recorded temperature of 79 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 19 degrees. The state average temperature was 44 degrees.

Precipitation: Elkins had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.44 of an inch. White Sulphur Springs had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.17 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 11/20/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	72	26	44		0.23		26.63	19.87		
PARKERSBURG	76	23	45	0	0.19	0.82	23.05	19.11	27.56	
CRESTON	76	20	43		0.19		27.32	34.44		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	75	28	47		0.20		32.22	19.22		
CLARKSBURG	73	21	43	-1	0.30	0.89	34.28	24.75	30.73	
BELINGTON	75	24	43		0.21		34.58	21.27		
WESTON	76	25	45		0.27		38.20	24.75		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	77	27	47		0.37		35.69	39.57		
HUNTINGTON	79	28	48	2	0.12	0.84	30.80	26.44	28.16	
CHARLESTON	79	26	46	-1	0.34	0.92	31.98	33.18	29.41	
RIPLEY	76	20	43		0.19		28.69	24.40		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	68	19	41		0.18		35.39	35.11		
ELKINS	72	20	40	-2	0.44	0.82	34.56	33.39	31.10	
MARLINTON	68	20	39		0.09		32.64	31.85		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	73	23	41	-3	0.02	0.71	33.80	32.79	27.98	
PINEVILLE	76	27	44		0.14		27.31	33.81		
BLUEFIELD	69	23	41	-6	0.08	0.64	28.64	31.61	26.62	
WHITE SUL SP	70	21	40		0.00		31.00	25.19		
BLUESTONE DAM	73	24	46		0.05		26.47	27.35		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	71	24	45	1	0.01	0.75	22.57	24.61	26.65	
KEYSER	77	22	44		0.14		25.00	27.47		
MOOREFIELD	78	27	45		0.06		21.16	20.18		
State Average Temperature	44									
State Average Precipitation	0.17									

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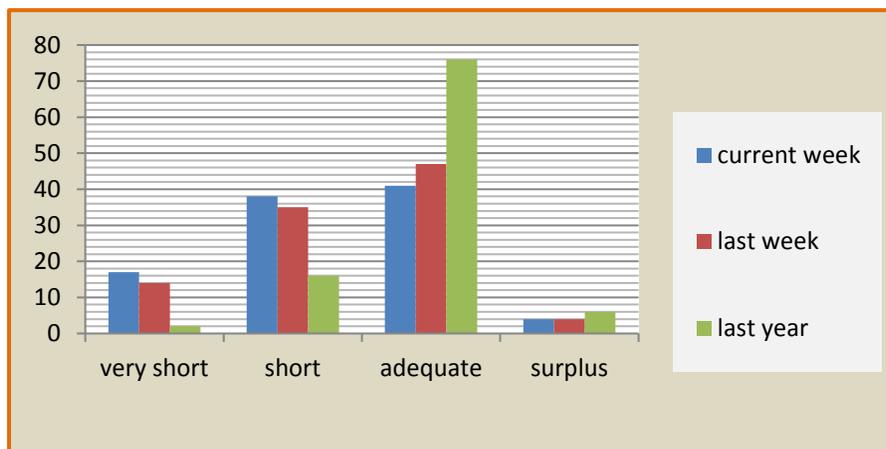
Agricultural News: This is the last weekly West Virginia Crop Weather Bulletin of the year. On January 3rd, we will publish the first monthly version for the winter months. We would like to thank the West Virginia University County Extension offices, USDA Farm Service Agency offices, the National Weather Service, and Dr. Stephen S. Miller for their valuable help in providing the information that makes this publication possible. Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.0. Farming activities this week included harvesting soybeans and planting wheat. Soil conditions continue to get drier; some small grains and cover crops are not germinating due to the lack of moisture. Many farmers have begun winter feeding. Fruit comments from the week include the following: fruit trees could use some moisture before entering full winter; currently we are unseasonably dry. Some pruning of apple trees has begun, but late varieties still have significant foliage, probably a result of the dry conditions.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 11/27/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	17	38	41	4
Subsoil	14	36	47	3
Hay & Roughage	-	2	90	8

- Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for the week ending 11/27/16



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 11/27/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Winter wheat	-	24	49	26	1
Cattle & Calves	-	2	21	67	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	20	72	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 11/27/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn harvested for grain	95	90	90	90
Soybeans harvested	91	79	81	87
Winter Wheat planted	96	89	94	97
Winter Wheat emerged	87	77	76	80

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending November 27, 2016

Temperatures in West Virginia were below average statewide during the week, and precipitation was down from the previous week. Bluefield was the farthest from normal and Martinsburg was the closest. Daytime highs only reached the 50s and 60s, and the low temperatures at night dropped into the teens and low 20s for all sites, and many sites dropped to below freezing nearly every day. Dry conditions continue as no stations met or exceeded average; there were several stations across the State that received zero recordable precipitation.

Temperatures: Williamson, Pineville and Bluefield had the highest recorded temperature of 62 degrees. Creston, Ripley and Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 16 degrees. The state average temperature was 38 degrees.

Precipitation: Huntington had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.16 of an inch. Several locations had zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.04 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 11/27/16

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
--NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	51	22	37		0.07		26.70	20.16		
PARKERSBURG	57	19	39	-3	0.02	0.81	23.07	19.74	28.37	
CRESTON	56	16	38		0.14		27.46	35.19		
--NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	55	23	40		0.02		32.24	19.82		
CLARKSBURG	51	21	37	-4	0.00	0.87	34.28	25.34	31.60	
BELINGTON	55	18	37		0.00		34.58	22.00		
WESTON	52	18	38		0.10		38.30	25.47		
--SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	62	23	41		0.00		35.69	40.22		
HUNTINGTON	58	22	40	-4	0.16	0.83	30.96	27.00	28.99	
CHARLESTON	57	19	39	-5	0.01	0.88	31.99	33.81	30.29	
RIPLEY	56	16	38		0.14		28.83	25.15		
--CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	51	19	33		0.12		35.51	35.84		
ELKINS	50	17	35	-5	0.08	0.80	34.64	33.81	31.90	
MARLINTON	54	23	37		0.00		32.64	32.11		
--SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	59	16	37	-4	0.00	0.69	33.80	33.16	28.67	
PINEVILLE	62	20	39		0.00		27.31	34.49		
BLUEFIELD	62	18	37	-7	0.00	0.65	28.64	32.11	27.27	
WHITE SUL SP	59	21	37		0.03		31.03	25.60		
BLUESTONE DAM	59	23	39		0.00		26.47	27.61		
--NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	56	19	39	-2	0.01	0.75	22.58	24.97	27.40	
KEYSER	59	20	39		0.03		25.03	27.98		
MOOREFIELD	61	20	39		0.01		21.17	20.89		
State Average Temperature	38									
State Average Precipitation	0.04									

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Agricultural News: The month of December has been mild, with a mix of colder, winter weather. Rain and muddy conditions could be a concern for calving and lambing later. Farming activities for the month included preparing for winter weather and machine maintenance. Fruit comments from the month include the following: this is pruning season for all deciduous tree fruits in this region except peaches. Peach pruning should begin in late February.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 01/01/17

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	8	73	18
Subsoil	1	15	73	11
Hay & Roughage	1	4	94	1
Feed grain	-	1	98	1

-Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 01/01/17

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Winter Wheat	-	14	48	30	8
Cattle & Calves	-	1	11	85	3
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	15	82	2

- Represents zero.

December Summary of Weather and Agricultural Conditions November 28, 2016 - January 1, 2017

During the month of December, West Virginia had several weather systems moving through, bringing a mix of temperatures and varied precipitation forms that included rain, snow and sleet. For the week ending **December 4th**, temperatures were unseasonably warm, particularly for the first three days of the reporting period. Later in the week, a much colder air mass entrenched itself across the State with temperatures falling to or below average. Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 72 degrees. Martinsburg and Moorefield had the lowest recorded temperature of 23 degrees. The state average temperature was 42 degrees. An unsettled weather pattern persisted through roughly the first half of the week bringing daily rain to most areas, and later in the week snow, in the higher elevations. Williamson had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 3.37 inches. Parkersburg had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.65 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.74 inches.

For the week ending **December 11th**, daily temperatures started near seasonal averages statewide, but a powerful blast of arctic air during the last half of the week ensured below average weekly temperatures and significantly colder than normal daily temperatures. Williamson and Charleston had the highest recorded temperature of 57 degrees. Marlinton had the lowest recorded temperature of 11 degrees. The state average temperature was 33 degrees. Unsettled weather continued during the week with at least some precipitation each day. Rain was mostly reported for roughly the first half of the week, but once an arctic air mass moved in, several sites reported some form of frozen precipitation. All reporting sites experienced higher than average weekly precipitation. Terra Alta had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.83 inches. Moorefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.36 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.22 inches.

For the week ending **December 18th**, although there were quite extreme temperature swings during the week, the State ended up below average for the week. All stations ranged from just below normal, to five degrees below average at Parkersburg. A large push of cold air near the end of the workweek dropped day time high temperatures into the teens and 20s, and low temperatures into the single digits and below zero in colder locations. Soon after the cold air arrived, warm air moved over the State ahead of yet another cold front. During this warming, high temperatures reached the 60s and 70s. Temperatures then dropped back to below average. Huntington had the highest recorded temperature of 72 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of -2 degrees. The state average temperature was 32 degrees. With the passing of strong frontal systems during the week, West Virginia received a greater amount of precipitation. Nearly all stations met or exceeded average for the week and received over an inch of precipitation. The Eastern Panhandle was the driest part of the State. Parkersburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.31 inches. Martinsburg had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.17 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.42 inches.

The week ending **December 25th** began with far below average high temperatures in the 20s to 30s across the State. Temperatures steadily rose through the week with building high pressure. On Christmas Day, strengthening southerly flow pushed temperatures into the 50s to near 60s across lower elevations and the South (cooler highs in the 40s were experienced further northward and in the mountains). All stations reported above average temperatures for the week as a whole. Huntington had the highest recorded temperature of 62 degrees. Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 12 degrees. The state average temperature was 36 degrees. Precipitation was scattered, and amounts varied across the State. Southern and Central counties had closer to average rainfall amounts, but were still generally below average. Williamson had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.36 inches. Wheeling had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.05 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.45 of an inch.

The week ending **January 1st** began with temperatures well above average across the State. Several systems sweeping through brought temperatures down thereafter, with the coldest air making it into the area by Saturday. Huntington had the highest recorded temperature of 74 degrees. White Sulphur Springs had the lowest recorded temperature of 10 degrees. The state average temperature was 39 degrees. With multiple storm systems moving through, numerous sites saw precipitation almost daily. The majority of this precipitation fell as rain; colder air later in the week, however, brought a transition to snow and snow showers, especially in the mountains. The deepest snow accumulations were observed across the high terrain in Pocahontas County, with around 8 inches of snow reported at Snowshoe. Most of West Virginia remained above average for season normal precipitation with the exception of the Panhandles, which remained slightly below average. Williamson had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.14 inches. Moorefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.19 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.09 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 01/01/17

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2016	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	65	26	38		0.37		30.72	22.58	
PARKERSBURG	69	26	40	7	0.73	0.65	28.39	23.13	31.90
CRESTON	69	21	38		0.91		32.57	40.63	
--NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	68	28	41		0.87		37.23	22.90	
CLARKSBURG	67	25	40	8	1.06	0.75	40.08	28.44	35.20
BELINGTON	69	20	40		1.18		40.47	26.09	
WESTON	69	21	39		1.62		45.51	29.94	
--SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	70	29	43		2.14		45.63	45.59	
HUNTINGTON	74	28	43	8	0.73	0.71	36.33	31.67	32.75
CHARLESTON	73	25	41	6	1.64	0.69	38.80	39.36	34.04
RIPLEY	69	21	38		0.94		33.95	29.22	
--CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	61	21	34		1.34		43.04	40.04	
ELKINS	53	19	35	5	2.01	0.68	42.15	38.59	35.62
MARLINTON	54	11	34		0.99		39.50	37.46	
--SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	59	14	40	8	1.40	0.66	40.74	36.73	32.08
PINEVILLE	61	18	38		1.29		35.07	38.49	
BLUEFIELD	59	18	39	4	0.95	0.62	34.66	36.59	30.56
WHITE SUL SP	55	10	35		1.02		37.34	29.61	
BLUESTONE DAM	57	21	38		1.11		32.62	31.28	
--NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	63	24	41	9	0.47	0.50	25.52	28.17	30.53
KEYSER	61	18	38		0.93		29.65	31.34	
MOOREFIELD	67	22	42		0.19		23.09	24.09	
State Average Temperature	39								
State Average Precipitation	1.09								

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