



Crop Progress and Condition



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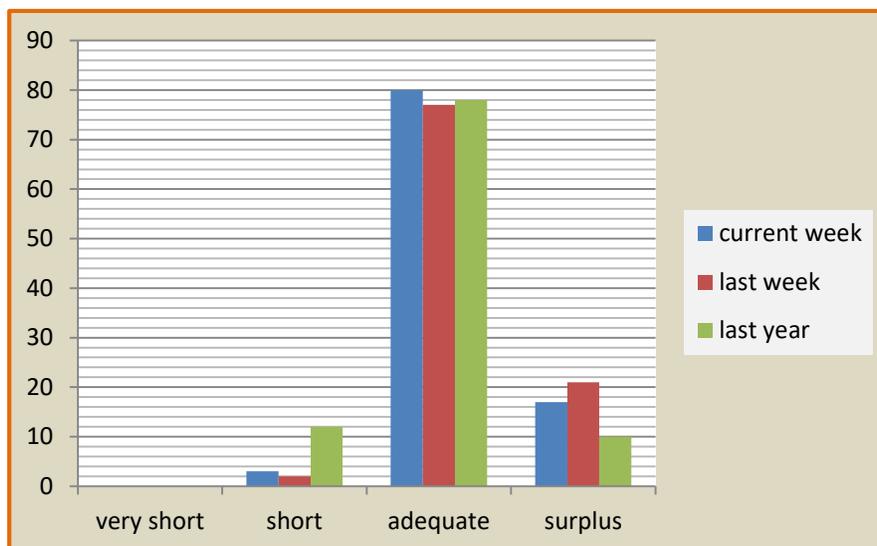
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.4. Weather conditions were drier with less than normal precipitation amounts. Farming activities this week included fertilizing fields, clipping pastures, and vaccinating livestock.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 04/05/20

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	3	80	17
Subsoil	-	1	89	10
Hay & Roughage	1	7	85	7
Feed grain	-	10	90	-

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 04/05/20



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 04/05/20

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	17	73	9
Peaches	-	-	20	80	-
Hay	7	2	30	61	-
Winter Wheat	-	-	17	75	8
Pasture	9	10	21	50	10
Cattle & Calves	-	2	13	73	12
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	29	64	6

- Represents zero.

LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 04/05/20

Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Calved	74	67	75	71
Lambled	76	72	75	76

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending April 5, 2020

Temperatures were very close to normal state wide, with nearly all stations hovering around the average. Overall, the Southern half of the State was somewhat cooler than normal while Clarksburg and Martinsburg were just over average for the week. There were no extreme temperatures for the time period. The majority of highs and lows for the week fell between 30 and 60 degrees, with only a few stations reaching the 70s or dropping into the 20s. For the first week of the new growing season, most stations reported less than normal precipitation. The precipitation that did fall mostly occurred in one event early in the week as an area of low pressure passed just to the North. The Southern coalfields received the most rain and Bluefield was the only station that met or exceeded average at the end of the week. Bluefield was also the only station to break the one-inch mark. Pineville was a distant second, having recorded 0.85 of an inch.

Temperatures: Charleston had the highest recorded temperature of 75 degrees. Elkins had the lowest recorded temperature of 27 degrees. The state average temperature was 48 degrees.

Precipitation: Bluefield had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.36 of an inch. Parkersburg had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.11 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.44 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 04/05/20

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Weekly Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2020	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	65	35	47	0	0.14	0.76	0.13	55.13	0.76
PARKERSBURG	68	30	48	-2	0.11	0.82	0.11	54.70	0.82
CRESTON	70	30	48		0.17		0.17	59.36	
--NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	69	30	48	0	0.36	0.85	0.36	53.58	0.85
CLARKSBURG	69	35	50	2	0.20	0.91	0.20	53.31	0.91
BELINGTON	67	28	47		0.22		0.22	63.16	
WESTON	68	29	47		0.46		0.46	70.82	
--SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	74	36	52		0.59		0.59	53.01	
HUNTINGTON	73	37	53	1	0.32	0.81	0.32	57.26	0.81
CHARLESTON	75	30	49	-3	0.68	0.75	0.68	60.16	0.75
RIPLEY	73	31	50		0.50		0.50	57.88	
--CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	67	30	45		0.22		0.22	75.35	
ELKINS	67	27	46	0	0.30	0.91	0.30	65.41	0.91
MARLINTON	66	28	45		0.46		0.46	60.03	
--SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	69	29	45	-3	0.67	0.76	0.67	55.82	0.76
PINEVILLE	74	32	50		0.85		0.85	55.03	
BLUEFIELD	71	29	46	-5	1.36	0.74	1.36	56.23	0.74
WHITE SUL SP	68	36	48		0.41		0.41	58.15	
BLUESTONE DAM	69	33	49		0.77		0.77	52.79	
--NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	70	37	51	3	0.22	0.81	0.22	67.49	0.81
KEYSER	73	31	50		0.32		0.32	64.64	
MOOREFIELD	71	33	51		0.33		0.33	48.04	
State Average Temperature	48								
State Average Precipitation	0.44								

Source: Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.

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