



# Crop Progress and Condition

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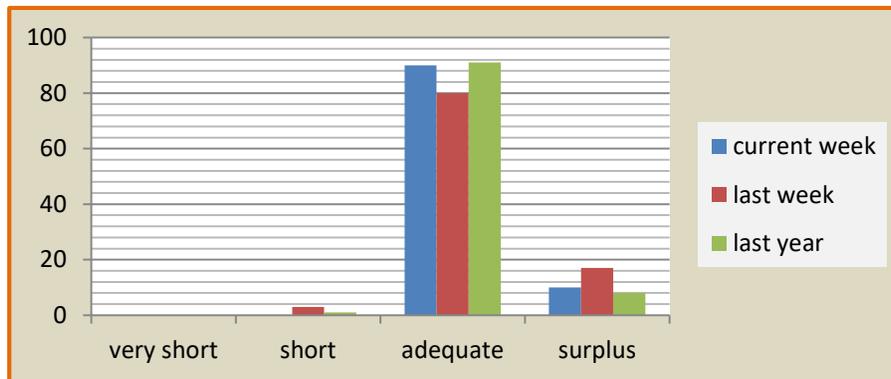
**Agricultural News:** Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.4. Weather conditions were wet as storms moved across the State. Farming activities this week included repairing fences, planting corn, watching for apple blossoms, and vaccinating livestock.

## SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 04/12/20

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	-	90	10
Subsoil	-	7	89	4
Hay & Roughage	1	6	88	5
Feed grain	-	3	97	-

-Represents zero.

## TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 04/12/20



## CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 04/12/20

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	17	73	9
Peaches	-	-	20	80	-
Hay	8	3	29	58	2
Winter Wheat	-	-	17	75	8
Pasture	4	8	44	40	4
Cattle & Calves	-	1	12	80	7
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	23	72	4

- Represents zero.

## CROP/LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 04/12/20

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	3	-	4	3
Winter Wheat headed	4	-	-	2
Calved	82	74	81	78
Lambled	85	76	81	81

- Represents data not available.

**Weather Summary-** For the week ending April 12, 2020

West Virginia had a very busy weather week. With high pressure, warm fronts, cold fronts, and low pressure systems moving across the Eastern US, the State recorded temperatures from the high 70s to low 80s during the warmest days, to the mid-20s post cold front. Overall, temperatures were very close to normal, with all stations within plus or minus three degrees of average. Showers started early in the week with a moisture laden warm front pushing up from the South, followed by a cold front bringing even more showers and some storms to the State. Another batch of unsettled weather moved through mid-week, followed by a short round of high pressure. Later in the week, large areas of heavy precipitation and severe storms moved over West Virginia as two more strong cold fronts pushed through. Some flooding was reported. All sites received at least one inch of precipitation, and several stations recorded over two inches for the week. All stations exceeded normal.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 81 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 23 degrees. The state average temperature was 52 degrees.

Precipitation: Charleston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 3.27 inches. Martinsburg had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.34 inches. The state average precipitation was 2.16 inches.

**Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 04/12/20**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2020	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
<b>--NORTHWEST</b>									
WHEELING	70	32	50	1	1.65	0.73	1.78	0.05	1.49
PARKERSBURG	76	27	52	0	1.36	0.75	1.47	0.26	1.57
CRESTON	76	31	54		2.21		2.38	0.21	
<b>--NORTHCENTRAL</b>									
MORGANTOWN	71	34	52	1	1.79	0.82	2.15	0.33	1.67
CLARKSBURG	73	33	54	3	2.05	0.84	2.25	0.18	1.75
BELINGTON	75	29	51		2.16		2.38	0.17	
WESTON	75	29	51		2.62		3.08	0.32	
<b>--SOUTHWEST</b>									
WILLIAMSON	81	32	56		2.50		3.09	0.16	
HUNTINGTON	79	32	55	1	1.46	0.78	1.78	0.25	1.59
CHARLESTON	79	27	53	-1	3.27	0.73	3.95	0.39	1.48
RIPLEY	79	27	53		1.67		2.17	0.21	
<b>--CENTRAL</b>									
TERRA ALTA	73	23	51		1.89		2.11	0.37	
ELKINS	71	30	51	3	2.40	0.87	2.70	0.28	1.78
MARLINTON	71	26	48		2.85		3.31	0.49	
<b>--SOUTHERN</b>									
BECKLEY	73	24	49	-1	2.68	0.76	3.35	0.07	1.52
PINEVILLE	78	26	52		2.64		3.49	0.34	
BLUEFIELD	77	25	50	-3	2.51	0.76	3.87	0.30	1.50
WHITE SUL SP	74	31	50		2.66		3.07	0.11	
BLUESTONE DAM	76	27	52		2.72		3.49	0.29	
<b>--NORTHEASTERN</b>									
MARTINSBURG	74	33	53	3	1.34	0.79	1.56	0.53	1.60
KEYSER	77	32	53		1.55		1.87	0.66	
MOOREFIELD	75	35	53		1.48		1.81	0.38	
State Average Temperature	52								
State Average Precipitation	2.16								

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

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