



# Crop Progress and Condition



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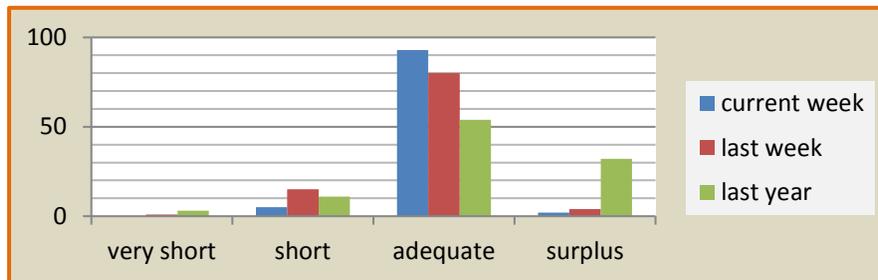
**Agricultural News:** Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.1. Weather conditions continue to be wet with scattered showers, making some fieldwork difficult. Farming activities this week included making hay, harvesting wheat and picking peaches.

### SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 07/29/18

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	5	93	2
Subsoil	-	2	96	2

-Represents zero.

### TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 07/29/18



### CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 07/29/18

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	20	71	8
Peaches	-	1	29	68	2
Corn	1	3	15	70	11
Hay	-	1	19	78	2
Soybeans	-	1	7	88	4
Pasture	-	11	34	53	2
Cattle & Calves	-	-	20	76	4
Sheep & Lambs	-	-	9	85	6

- Represents zero.

### CROP PROGRESS for week ending 07/29/18

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Peaches harvested	33	15	31	21
Corn emerged	95	92	99	100
Corn silking	36	21	50	53
Corn dough	2	-	4	8
Hay second cut	22	15	31	19
Soybeans planted	95	89	99	100
Soybeans emerged	83	81	99	98
Soybeans blooming	10	5	22	37
Winter Wheat harvested	73	66	94	83

- Represents data not available or zero.

**Weather Summary-** For the week ending July 29, 2018

Temperatures ended up near to slightly-below average this week across the State with all stations between 3 degrees cooler than average to 1 degree above average. Widespread cloud cover and scattered showers tended to keep afternoon temperatures near average and morning temperatures warmer through the first half of the week. A cold front moved through Friday night which allowed temperatures to dip below average during the weekend, particularly in the mornings. Most of the area had a good amount of rainfall during the week with unsettled conditions in place due in part to persistent low barometric pressure overhead. Site-by-site precipitation totals vary greatly due to convective thunderstorms hitting some areas and not others. One exception is the Western part of West Virginia, where an inch or less fell, being below average.

Temperatures: Williamson and Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 90 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 50 degrees. The state average temperature was 72 degrees.

Precipitation: Martinsburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 3.22 inches. Creston and Ripley had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.05 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.01 inches.

**Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 07/29/18**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2018	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
<b>--NORTHWEST</b>									
WHEELING	84	58	73	1	2.15	0.97	22.02	21.80	15.84
PARKERSBURG	89	54	74	0	0.38	1.00	15.14	23.05	15.77
CRESTON	87	53	72		0.05		16.87	16.96	
<b>--NORTHCENTRAL</b>									
MORGANTOWN	84	57	72	-1	1.37	0.98	18.09	24.64	16.60
CLARKSBURG	87	57	73	0	0.12	1.22	17.19	26.94	17.91
BELINGTON	86	56	72		1.65		23.61	23.13	
WESTON	86	61	73		0.81		24.02	24.92	
<b>--SOUTHWEST</b>									
WILLIAMSON	90	61	76		1.01		15.36	26.75	
HUNTINGTON	86	59	73	-3	0.32	1.07	16.20	18.98	16.51
CHARLESTON	88	57	73	-2	0.48	1.12	17.30	19.68	17.16
RIPLEY	87	53	72		0.05		17.56	18.29	
<b>--CENTRAL</b>									
TERRA ALTA	78	50	67		1.03		24.17	30.09	
ELKINS	83	54	70	0	2.40	1.14	24.30	19.55	18.62
MARLINTON	85	55	69		0.42		17.71	19.57	
<b>--SOUTHERN</b>									
BECKLEY	81	53	69	-2	1.16	1.17	14.57	21.88	16.93
PINEVILLE	85	58	73		0.26		16.89	26.26	
BLUEFIELD	84	57	71	-3	1.52	0.91	14.66	23.97	15.93
WHITE SUL SP	84	54	70		0.67		15.89	17.63	
BLUESTONE DAM	83	58	71		0.55		15.16	18.69	
<b>--NORTHEASTERN</b>									
MARTINSBURG	89	61	75	0	3.22	0.86	26.82	19.88	14.84
KEYSER	90	55	73		0.83		23.51	21.26	
MOOREFIELD	86	57	72		1.70		17.77	17.10	
State Average Temperature	72								
State Average Precipitation	1.01								

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

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