



Crop Progress and Condition

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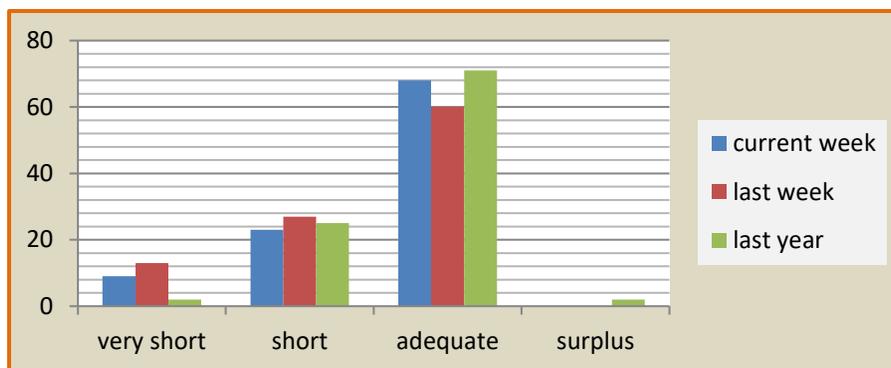
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Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.3. Weather conditions were warm with scattered rain and thunderstorms. Farming activities this week included harvesting peaches and making hay.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/02/20

| | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus |
|---------|------------|-------|----------|---------|
| | % | % | % | % |
| Topsoil | 9 | 23 | 68 | - |
| Subsoil | 7 | 16 | 77 | - |

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/02/20



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/02/20

| Crop/Livestock | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|-----------------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| | % | % | % | % | % |
| Apples | - | 12 | 32 | 55 | 1 |
| Peaches | - | 8 | 28 | 63 | 1 |
| Corn | 8 | 17 | 28 | 47 | - |
| Hay | 3 | 17 | 28 | 51 | 1 |
| Soybeans | - | 6 | 28 | 60 | 6 |
| Pasture | 1 | 13 | 27 | 59 | - |
| Cattle & Calves | - | 1 | 27 | 69 | 3 |
| Sheep & Lambs | - | 3 | 25 | 70 | 2 |

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/02/20

| Crop Stage | This Week | Last Week | Last Year | 5-Yr Avg |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| | % | % | % | % |
| Peaches harvested | 21 | 12 | 29 | 33 |
| Corn silking | 51 | 35 | 39 | 52 |
| Corn dough | 13 | 6 | 15 | 15 |
| Hay second cutting | 16 | 9 | 17 | 28 |
| Soybeans emerged | 95 | 85 | 94 | 95 |
| Soybeans blooming | 27 | 14 | 32 | 32 |
| Soybeans setting pods | 7 | - | 9 | 11 |
| Winter Wheat harvested for grain | 65 | 50 | 73 | 85 |

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 2, 2020

Although the State was warmer than usual, there were no abnormal temperatures for this time of the year. Even with two cold fronts bookending the week, most stations recorded above average temperatures. Beckley (0) and Bluefield (-1) were the only stations at or below normal. Most stations recorded highs in the upper 80s or low 90s, and lows in the upper 50s and low 60s. Plenty of sunshine between the showers kept the State warm. West Virginia had a busy week for precipitation. Nearly all stations reported above average precipitation, and almost all recorded one inch or more. Several stations recorded over two, and a few stations reported over three. Elkins reported the most precipitation, with over four inches. Rain fell nearly every day and this was due to waves of instability moving over West Virginia, as well as cold fronts early and late in the week creating showers and thunderstorms. Although there was some flooding with the heavy rainfall, precipitation was needed for several areas that are below normal for the year. D0 conditions continue to creep across the State, and D1 conditions are growing as well.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 97 degrees. Elkins had the lowest recorded temperature of 58 degrees. The state average temperature was 76 degrees.

Precipitation: Elkins had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 4.35 inches. Wheeling and Williamson had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.67 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.90 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/02/20

| 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 | 92 | 63 | 76 | 4 | 0.67 | 0.89 | 11.83 | 15.35 | 16.44 | |
| PARKERSBURG | 92 | 61 | 76 | 2 | 1.99 | 0.92 | 20.81 | 16.98 | 16.31 | |
| CRESTON | 90 | 59 | 76 | | 2.54 | | 22.52 | 17.76 | | |
| --NORTHCENTRAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| MORGANTOWN | 89 | 61 | 76 | 3 | 1.30 | 0.91 | 13.98 | 18.47 | 17.25 | |
| CLARKSBURG | 91 | 63 | 77 | 4 | 1.74 | 1.13 | 21.04 | 16.69 | 18.63 | |
| BELINGTON | 90 | 60 | 76 | | 3.01 | | 21.15 | 15.08 | | |
| WESTON | 90 | 62 | 76 | | 2.26 | | 26.85 | 16.53 | | |
| --SOUTHWEST | | | | | | | | | | |
| WILLIAMSON | 89 | 65 | 77 | | 0.67 | | 21.91 | 18.30 | | |
| HUNTINGTON | 90 | 62 | 77 | 1 | 1.82 | 1.01 | 17.49 | 16.80 | 17.14 | |
| CHARLESTON | 90 | 61 | 77 | 2 | 2.00 | 1.07 | 25.46 | 19.81 | 17.65 | |
| RIPLEY | 93 | 61 | 77 | | 2.13 | | 21.59 | 17.25 | | |
| --CENTRAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| TERRA ALTA | 85 | 59 | 71 | | 2.24 | | 20.81 | 23.93 | | |
| ELKINS | 88 | 58 | 73 | 3 | 4.35 | 1.10 | 24.52 | 20.17 | 19.09 | |
| MARLINTON | 89 | 59 | 74 | | 1.69 | | 23.03 | 17.97 | | |
| --SOUTHERN | | | | | | | | | | |
| BECKLEY | 84 | 60 | 71 | 0 | 2.39 | 1.14 | 22.95 | 18.33 | 17.47 | |
| PINEVILLE | 91 | 65 | 77 | | 1.44 | | 24.39 | 16.52 | | |
| BLUEFIELD | 85 | 61 | 72 | -1 | 1.69 | 0.84 | 25.44 | 15.39 | 16.30 | |
| WHITE SUL SP | 88 | 62 | 75 | | 2.07 | | 20.98 | 17.63 | | |
| BLUESTONE DAM | 88 | 63 | 75 | | 2.90 | | 22.75 | 15.67 | | |
| --NORTHEASTERN | | | | | | | | | | |
| MARTINSBURG | 96 | 62 | 79 | 4 | 0.93 | 0.83 | 12.40 | 17.71 | 15.35 | |
| KEYSER | 97 | 60 | 78 | | 1.15 | | 15.63 | 17.50 | | |
| MOOREFIELD | 95 | 63 | 78 | | 0.75 | | 14.39 | 20.38 | | |
| State Average Temperature | 76 | | | | | | | | | |
| State Average Precipitation | 1.90 | | | | | | | | | |

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

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