



Crop Progress and Condition

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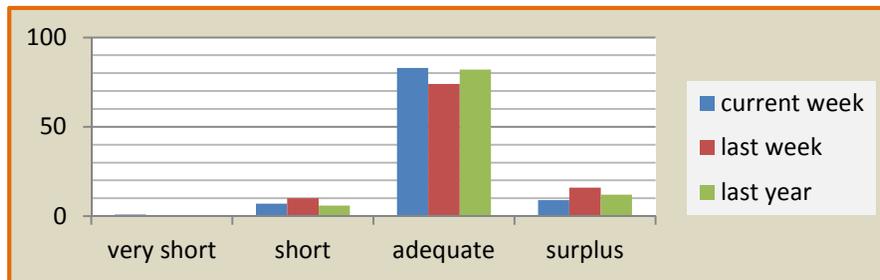
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.3. Weather conditions continue to be wet with showers, limiting some fieldwork. Farming activities this week included attending the State Fair, making hay, harvesting wheat and picking peaches and apples.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/12/18

| | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus |
|---------|------------|-------|----------|---------|
| | % | % | % | % |
| Topsoil | 1 | 7 | 83 | 9 |
| Subsoil | - | 11 | 83 | 6 |

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/12/18



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/12/18

| Crop/Livestock | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|-----------------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| | % | % | % | % | % |
| Apples | - | 1 | 20 | 70 | 9 |
| Peaches | - | 3 | 29 | 67 | 1 |
| Corn | 2 | 5 | 21 | 56 | 16 |
| Hay | - | 1 | 34 | 61 | 4 |
| Soybeans | - | - | 10 | 78 | 12 |
| Pasture | - | 9 | 42 | 45 | 4 |
| Cattle & Calves | - | - | 23 | 70 | 7 |
| Sheep & Lambs | - | - | 7 | 88 | 5 |

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/12/18

| Crop Stage | This Week | Last Week | Last Year | 5-Yr Avg |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| | % | % | % | % |
| Apples harvested | 8 | - | 6 | 2 |
| Peaches harvested | 53 | 43 | 51 | 42 |
| Corn silking | 59 | 49 | 70 | 76 |
| Corn dough | 21 | 8 | 36 | 33 |
| Hay second cut | 38 | 30 | 48 | 39 |
| Soybeans emerged | 96 | 87 | 99 | 100 |
| Soybeans blooming | 32 | 16 | 55 | 70 |
| Soybeans setting pods | 8 | - | 28 | 38 |
| Winter Wheat harvested | 90 | 81 | 99 | 95 |

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 12, 2018

Temperatures for the week were all average to slightly above average, with the exception of Bluefield. Throughout the week there were no unseasonably warm or cool days as highs were generally in the 80s and lows were in the 60s. There were a few sites that reached the low 90s. Although the temperatures were only just above normal, the high humidity made the days feel warmer than usual. Precipitation amounts were wide ranging for the week; exactly half of the stations received greater than normal precipitation. The varying amounts of precipitation, and the few sites that received large amounts of precipitation, were due to thunderstorms that were active for most of the week. This thunderstorm activity was caused by frontal passage early in the week and an unstable atmosphere for the rest of the week. Flooding was reported in several locations across West Virginia; the areas that were not directly affected by these storms were fairly dry.

Temperatures: Keyser and Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 92 degrees. Beckley and White Sulphur Springs had the lowest recorded temperature of 57 degrees. The state average temperature was 74 degrees.

Precipitation: Weston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 3.66 inches. Ripley had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.07 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.13 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/12/18

| Station | Temperature | | | | Precipitation | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----|---------|------------------|---------------|------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| | High | Low | Average | Weekly Departure | Week's Total | Norm | Since April 1st 2018 | Same Week Last Year | Season Normal |
| --NORTHWEST-- | | | | | | | | | |
| WHEELING | 89 | 59 | 74 | 2 | 1.32 | 0.70 | 23.87 | 23.66 | 17.30 |
| PARKERSBURG | 90 | 60 | 76 | 2 | 0.46 | 0.84 | 17.22 | 24.42 | 17.47 |
| CRESTON | 91 | 60 | 77 | | 0.25 | | 21.63 | 18.13 | |
| --NORTHCENTRAL-- | | | | | | | | | |
| MORGANTOWN | 89 | 60 | 75 | 2 | 0.35 | 0.82 | 19.89 | 25.25 | 18.28 |
| CLARKSBURG | 90 | 61 | 76 | 3 | 1.28 | 0.95 | 19.66 | 27.37 | 19.94 |
| BELINGTON | 89 | 58 | 74 | | 1.43 | | 28.57 | 25.29 | |
| WESTON | 89 | 61 | 75 | | 3.66 | | 30.87 | 26.56 | |
| --SOUTHWEST-- | | | | | | | | | |
| WILLIAMSON | 92 | 68 | 79 | | 0.47 | | 16.17 | 29.88 | |
| HUNTINGTON | 89 | 62 | 76 | 0 | 1.65 | 0.86 | 19.46 | 20.55 | 18.31 |
| CHARLESTON | 89 | 61 | 75 | 0 | 1.80 | 0.90 | 21.06 | 22.73 | 19.06 |
| RIPLEY | 91 | 60 | 75 | | 0.07 | | 23.18 | 19.46 | |
| --CENTRAL-- | | | | | | | | | |
| TERRA ALTA | 82 | 58 | 70 | | 2.18 | | 29.66 | 31.08 | |
| ELKINS | 86 | 58 | 72 | 2 | 2.15 | 0.92 | 29.61 | 21.07 | 20.54 |
| MARLINTON | 86 | 58 | 72 | | 2.32 | | 23.74 | 22.22 | |
| --SOUTHERN-- | | | | | | | | | |
| BECKLEY | 84 | 57 | 71 | 1 | 0.51 | 0.90 | 17.61 | 23.22 | 18.88 |
| PINEVILLE | 86 | 65 | 76 | | 0.20 | | 18.19 | 27.66 | |
| BLUEFIELD | 84 | 58 | 71 | -3 | 0.58 | 0.81 | 17.51 | 25.67 | 17.56 |
| WHITE SUL SP | 91 | 57 | 74 | | 1.51 | | 21.24 | 19.11 | |
| BLUESTONE DAM | 85 | 60 | 72 | | 0.56 | | 18.92 | 20.15 | |
| --NORTHEASTERN-- | | | | | | | | | |
| MARTINSBURG | 90 | 61 | 76 | 2 | 0.51 | 0.72 | 30.59 | 21.77 | 16.35 |
| KEYSER | 92 | 62 | 76 | | 0.53 | | 27.02 | 22.83 | |
| MOOREFIELD | 90 | 61 | 77 | | 1.15 | | 20.59 | 18.48 | |
| State Average Temperature | 74 | | | | | | | | |
| State Average Precipitation | 1.13 | | | | | | | | |

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

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