



Crop Progress and Condition

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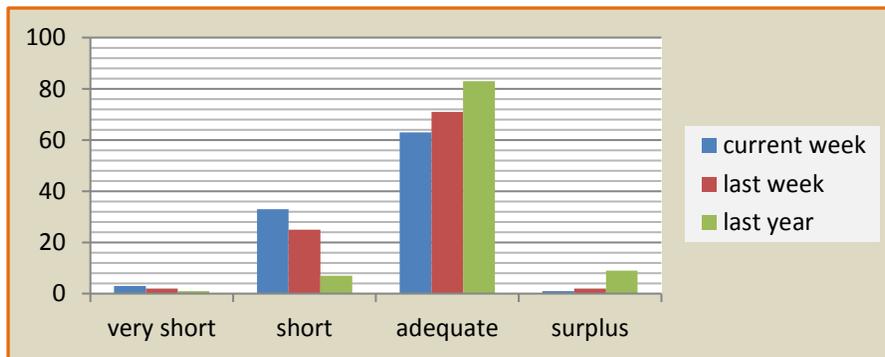
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.9. Precipitation amounts were scattered during the week; parts of the State have abnormally dry conditions. Farming activities this week included attending the State Fair, making hay and harvesting peaches.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/11/19

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	3	33	63	1
Subsoil	3	22	75	-

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/11/19



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/11/19

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	66	24	9
Peaches	-	1	78	21	-
Corn	-	5	32	51	12
Hay	-	14	38	45	3
Soybeans	-	1	12	73	14
Pasture	-	13	27	54	6
Cattle & Calves	-	3	29	63	5
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	19	78	2

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/11/19

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	7	-	7	3
Peaches harvested	56	36	52	43
Corn silking	51	42	58	70
Corn dough	27	16	19	31
Corn dented	4	-	-	4
Hay second cut	31	20	37	39
Soybeans blooming	59	36	30	58
Soybeans settings pods	22	11	7	29
Winter Wheat harvested	88	77	89	92

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 11, 2019

Temperatures across the State during the week were near normal or slightly below normal. Overall, all stations were within three degrees of normal. Cool morning temperatures over the weekend were the main reason that some sites were slightly below normal on temperatures. Lows generally dropped into the 50s this past weekend, with Terra Alta actually reaching 45 degrees. High temperatures were generally in the 80s to lower 90s, with a couple of the mountain locations only reaching the upper 70s this past weekend. Precipitation this week was slightly above normal overall. However, this varied wildly by station, due to scattered showers and thunderstorms. Creston had 3.70 inches, while Martinsburg and Moorefield had no precipitation. A few locations in central West Virginia are now reporting abnormally dry conditions.

Temperatures: Martinsburg and Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 91 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 45 degrees. The state average temperature was 72 degrees.

Precipitation: Creston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 3.70 inches. Martinsburg and Moorefield had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 1.01 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/11/19

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2019	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	87	54	71	-1	0.33	0.71	15.88	23.87	17.21
PARKERSBURG	90	55	72	-2	2.53	0.85	19.60	17.22	17.13
CRESTON	89	53	71		3.70		21.74	21.63	
--NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	89	55	72	-1	0.51	0.83	19.49	19.89	18.17
CLARKSBURG	90	54	73	0	1.56	0.98	19.03	19.66	19.58
BELINGTON	90	53	71		0.79		15.97	28.57	
WESTON	90	56	72		2.94		20.46	30.87	
--SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	89	60	75		0.88		19.63	16.17	
HUNTINGTON	90	60	75	-1	0.75	0.86	17.83	19.46	17.96
CHARLESTON	90	55	74	-1	0.65	0.92	20.78	21.06	18.73
RIPLEY	89	53	71		2.73		20.26	23.18	
--CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	88	45	68		0.91		26.13	29.66	
ELKINS	86	53	70	0	0.52	0.93	22.96	29.61	20.16
MARLINTON	83	52	69		0.86		19.22	23.74	
--SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	82	50	68	-2	0.11	0.93	18.86	17.16	18.55
PINEVILLE	88	55	73		0.54		17.17	18.19	
BLUEFIELD	85	52	70	-3	0.49	0.82	16.02	17.51	17.24
WHITE SUL SP	86	51	70		0.29		18.06	21.24	
BLUESTONE DAM	84	56	71		0.70		16.61	18.92	
--NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	91	56	74	0	0.00	0.73	17.91	30.59	16.02
KEYSER	91	52	73		0.34		18.76	27.02	
MOOREFIELD	87	52	72		0.00		21.10	20.59	
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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