



Crop Progress and Condition

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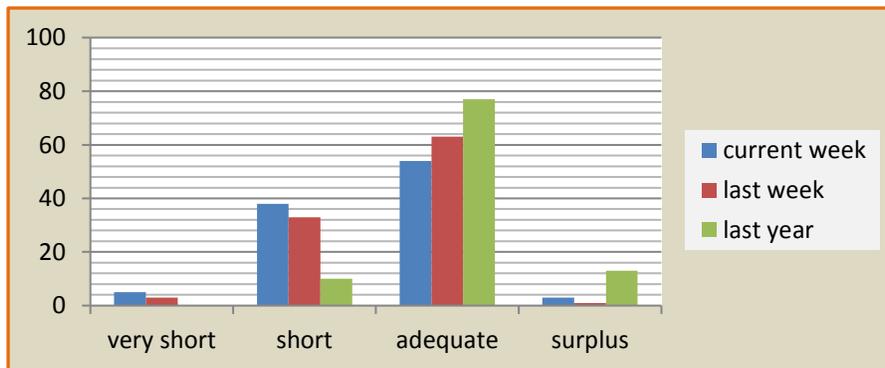
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.2. Weather conditions were mostly hot and dry, but precipitation fell during the beginning of the week. Farming activities this week included attending the State Fair, making hay and harvesting apples.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/18/19

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	5	38	54	3
Subsoil	5	30	62	3

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/18/19



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/18/19

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	67	23	9
Corn	-	4	30	56	10
Hay	1	7	35	51	6
Soybeans	-	2	11	73	14
Pasture	-	11	33	49	7
Cattle & Calves	-	3	22	67	8
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	11	84	4

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/18/19

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	18	7	14	8
Peaches harvested	66	56	66	61
Corn silking	62	51	68	78
Corn dough	36	27	32	46
Corn dented	9	4	2	10
Hay second cut	44	31	41	50
Soybeans blooming	71	59	52	72
Soybeans settings pods	32	22	12	44
Winter Wheat harvested	93	88	94	97

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 18, 2019

The week began with a cold front pushing through West Virginia, but the front was quickly replaced by high pressure. The resulting high pressure created warmer than normal conditions across the State. Overall, temperatures were at or above normal for the week. Both Beckley and Bluefield ended the week right at average, while all other stations ranged from 1 to 6 degrees over. Although the temperatures were just above average, there were no anomalous (unusual) recordings during the week. Most high temperatures were in the upper 80s to mid-90s, while the lows dropped into the upper 50s to low 60s. West Virginia experienced another dry week even though nearly half of the stations met or exceeded average. The received rainfall fell as a system moved over the State early in the week, and dropped lots of rain very quickly in showers or thunderstorms. After day two, the State received almost no precipitation at all. As a summer dry spell continues, a few locations in Central and Southern West Virginia are continuing to report D0 (abnormally dry) conditions.

Temperatures: Martinsburg, Moorefield and Pineville had the highest recorded temperature of 95 degrees. Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 50 degrees. The state average temperature was 75 degrees.

Precipitation: Huntington had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.74 inches. Belington had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.15 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.71 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/18/19

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2019	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	89	58	74	2	0.98	0.78	16.86	25.76	17.99
PARKERSBURG	90	58	75	1	0.50	0.83	20.10	18.92	17.96
CRESTON	91	55	74		1.37		23.11	22.49	
--NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	92	58	75	3	0.49	0.81	19.98	21.24	18.98
CLARKSBURG	93	58	77	5	0.35	0.74	19.38	21.04	20.32
BELINGTON	93	55	75		0.15		16.12	28.77	
WESTON	93	57	76		0.26		20.72	31.91	
--SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	93	65	78		0.70		20.33	16.91	
HUNTINGTON	91	61	76	1	1.74	0.87	19.57	21.38	18.83
CHARLESTON	94	59	77	2	0.90	0.84	21.68	23.93	19.57
RIPLEY	91	55	74		1.37		21.63	24.04	
--CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	85	52	68		0.70		26.83	30.67	
ELKINS	90	59	75	6	0.65	0.86	23.61	30.67	21.02
MARLINTON	88	57	73		0.48		19.70	25.29	
--SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	87	50	70	0	1.40	0.75	20.26	18.84	19.30
PINEVILLE	95	63	78		0.47		17.64	18.79	
BLUEFIELD	90	58	73	0	0.42	0.72	16.44	18.91	17.96
WHITE SUL SP	91	51	73		0.47		18.53	22.58	
BLUESTONE DAM	90	62	75		0.76		17.37	19.92	
--NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	95	56	77	4	0.39	0.67	18.30	31.19	16.69
KEYSER	93	54	77		0.46		19.22	27.91	
MOOREFIELD	95	60	77		0.66		21.76	21.24	
State Average Temperature	75								
State Average Precipitation	0.71								

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

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