



# Crop Progress and Condition

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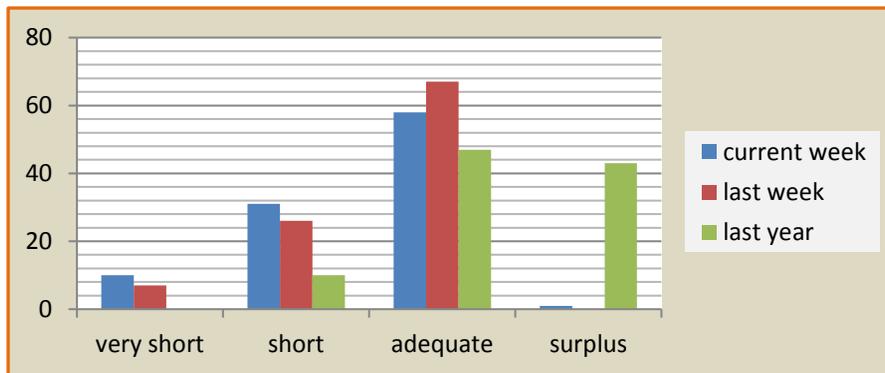
**Agricultural News:** Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.7. Weather conditions continue to get drier; pastures and hay fields are brown and wilted. Farming activities this week included selling feeder calves, making hay, and harvesting apples.

### SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 09/01/19

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	10	31	58	1
Subsoil	17	38	44	1

-Represents zero.

### TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 09/15/19



### CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 09/15/19

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Corn	2	12	30	45	11
Hay	3	16	28	44	9
Soybeans	1	3	10	69	17
Pasture	8	24	28	32	8
Cattle & Calves	1	6	20	59	14
Sheep & Lambs	-	4	22	66	8

- Represents zero.

### CROP PROGRESS for week ending 09/15/19

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	59	48	49	39
Peaches harvested	98	92	94	96
Corn silking	96	91	97	98
Corn dough	74	67	77	86
Corn dented	44	35	43	61
Corn mature	15	2	5	18
Hay second cut	82	74	85	86
Hay third cut	15	2	11	17
Soybeans settings pods	78	65	61	79
Soybeans dropping leaves	5	-	3	14

- Represents data not available.

**Weather Summary-** For the week ending September 15, 2019

Temperatures have been far above normal for this time of year. This week, high pressure dominated the area with mainly sunny skies and dry weather allowing temperatures to substantially increase during daytime heating. Most areas had unusually high maximum temperatures across the board; most stations reached around 90 degrees plus for the week. The Southwestern area was consistently the warmest area reaching mid to upper 90's for most of the week. Precipitation was almost non-existent throughout the State. A few areas had a shower or two which registered at a few stations. The greatest rainfall amounts, which were confined along the Eastern mountains, came on Saturday while a cold front traversed through the area. Overall, only 8 stations received any kind of rainfall and the amounts were very minimal except for one or two outliers. This relatively dry week lowered the seasonal differences even further from last week. Several counties in Central and Southern West Virginia continue to report D0 (abnormally dry) conditions. Some are now reporting D1 (moderate drought) conditions.

Temperatures: Charleston and Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 98 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 44 degrees. The state average temperature was 74 degrees.

Precipitation: Marlinton had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.47 of an inch. Several stations had zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.07 of an inch.

**Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 09/15/19**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2019	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
<b>--NORTHWEST</b>									
WHEELING	90	55	73	7	0.00	0.58	18.44	33.49	20.89
PARKERSBURG	95	50	75	7	0.00	0.74	21.51	25.46	21.00
CRESTON	93	49	73		0.08		25.56	31.04	
<b>--NORTHCENTRAL</b>									
MORGANTOWN	91	53	73	6	0.07	0.73	22.62	27.71	21.99
CLARKSBURG	94	53	75	9	0.00	0.87	21.54	27.59	23.48
BELINGTON	93	52	74		0.00		18.55	35.01	
WESTON	93	55	75		0.00		23.35	38.25	
<b>--SOUTHWEST</b>									
WILLIAMSON	97	52	78		0.00		22.10	20.55	
HUNTINGTON	95	55	77	8	0.00	0.67	23.23	30.22	21.79
CHARLESTON	98	51	76	7	0.00	0.78	23.03	29.53	22.68
RIPLEY	93	49	73		0.00		23.10	31.19	
<b>--CENTRAL</b>									
TERRA ALTA	85	44	67		0.40		29.26	37.44	
ELKINS	91	54	73	9	0.00	0.85	26.79	37.29	24.35
MARLINTON	89	52	71		0.47		23.13	29.11	
<b>--SOUTHERN</b>									
BECKLEY	92	49	71	6	0.00	0.73	20.95	25.75	22.04
PINEVILLE	95	54	77		0.00		18.53	21.49	
BLUEFIELD	94	51	74	7	0.17	0.75	17.40	24.89	20.75
WHITE SUL SP	92	52	73		0.03		19.07	29.45	
BLUESTONE DAM	92	57	75		0.00		18.39	23.83	
<b>--NORTHEASTERN</b>									
MARTINSBURG	94	58	73	6	0.13	0.84	19.33	39.25	19.69
KEYSER	98	53	74		0.18		21.08	36.04	
MOOREFIELD	95	55	74		0.00		24.06	26.18	
State Average Temperature	74								
State Average Precipitation	0.07								

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

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