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Week Ending November 10, 2013 **Issued weekly, April-November** **Released November 12, 2013, 4 pm**

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Fair Week for Field Work: Pennsylvania had an average of 4 days suitable for field work. The weather this week was mostly sunny. Temperatures ranged from the high 20's to the low 60's. Fall plowing is almost completed. Harvest is near completion and winter grains are looking good. Reports are generally high for corn and soybean yields all over the state. Corn harvest has slowed down this week due to the lack of storage. The grape harvest is complete. Looking to the week ahead, temperatures in Pennsylvania range from the mid 20's to the high 50's. Field activities for the week include harvesting corn and soybeans, planting winter wheat, applying fertilizer, mowing pastures, spraying herbicides and pesticides and applying lime to fields.

PA Topsoil Moisture for Week Ending November 10, 2013

Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
0%	1%	95%	4%

Crop Progress: Fall plowing is 90% plowed, which is ahead of progress at this time last year of 88% and the 5-year average of 79% plowed. Corn harvested is 76% harvested, which is behind progress at this time last year of 78% but ahead of the 5-year average of 73% harvested. Winter wheat is 92% planted, which is ahead of progress at this time last year of 89% and the 5-year average of 90% planted. Winter wheat is 78% emerged, which is ahead of progress at this time last year of 70% and the 5-year average of 75% planted. Soybeans are 87% harvested, which is ahead of progress at this time last year of 75% and the 5-year average of 74% harvested. Grapes are 100% harvested.

Crop Condition: Winter Wheat conditions are; 0% very poor, 1% poor, 5% fair, 59% good, and 35% excellent. Pasture conditions are; 2% very poor, 14% poor, 42% fair, 41% good and 1% excellent.

Nationwide as of November 3, 2013: Cool, wet weather conditions slowed fieldwork across most of the Ohio Valley and lower Mississippi Valley during the week. Elsewhere, drier conditions across the northern Great Plains promoted rapid fieldwork, despite temperatures averaging more than 5°F below normal in some locations. Heavy precipitation covered much of eastern Kansas, with some areas receiving 800 percent of the normal weekly precipitation. Corn: Nationally, 73 percent of the corn was harvested by week's end, 22 percentage points behind last year but 2 points ahead of the 5-year average. Iowa farmers harvested 20 percent of their corn for grain for the second week in a row. Seventy-five percent has now been harvested in Iowa, 4 percentage points ahead of normal. With corn harvest advancing ahead of the normal pace in Iowa, this marked the first time all season corn progress was ahead of the 5-year average. Soybeans: Eighty-six percent of the soybean crop was harvested by week's end, 6 percentage points behind last year but slightly ahead of the 5-year average. For the second consecutive week, North Dakota producers harvested at least 17 percent of their soybean crop. Winter Wheat: By November 3, producers had sown 91 percent of the nation's intended 2014 acreage. This was identical to last year's pace but slightly ahead of the 5-year average. Nationally, 78 percent of the winter wheat was emerged by week's end, 6 percentage points ahead of last year and 5 points ahead of the 5-year average. Overall, 63 percent of the winter wheat crop was reported in good to excellent condition, up 2 percentage points from last week and 24 percentage points better than the same time last year.

Weather Data For Week Ending November 10, 2013

Station	Last Week Weather Summary						April 1 - November 10, 2013					
	Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
	High	Low	Average	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Northwest												
Erie	67	29	45	-2	0.96	3	36.96	9.25	99	3,042	399	5,032
Franklin_AG	68	24	41	-4	0.98	2	30.40	1.28	105	2,805	396	4,745
Meadville-Port	66	26	42	-1	0.89	4	29.65	0.01	106	2,880	676	4,848
Clarion	68	23	40	-4	1.05	3	31.53	1.15	107	2,438	19	4,340
Springboro	65	25	41	-5	1.23	3	38.12	11.44	103	2,483	-102	4,393
Warren	67	22	39	-4	1.01	4	25.84	-3.77	100	2,628	305	4,556
North Central												
Bradford Region	64	17	38	-2	1.02	4	25.63	-3.64	112	2,301	646	4,190
Oswayo	63	15	36	-5	0.72	3	25.61	-2.38	92	1,943	107	3,768
Kane	66	21	38	-3	1.25	4	29.35	-0.68	99	1,959	345	3,790
Laporte	58	21	37	-7	0.66	3	33.88	6.74	95	2,164	-213	4,036
Lock Haven	64	22	41	-4	0.38	2	23.06	-3.54	83	2,930	399	4,904
Coudersport_1SW	63	16	37	-4	0.66	4	27.64	-0.35	109	2,058	222	3,904
Renovo	64	22	40	-4	0.56	3	22.17	-4.43	83	2,923	392	4,898
Ridgway	65	20	39	-3	0.77	2	27.98	-0.85	101	2,382	497	4,271
Stevenson Dam	66	22	40	-2	0.46	1	23.97	-4.86	79	2,695	810	4,633
Towanda	60	19	39	-5	0.50	2	24.50	1.86	75	2,619	221	4,565
Wellsboro	59	18	37	-4	0.46	3	27.21	4.50	94	2,104	324	3,983
Williamsport	62	22	43	-3	0.42	2	20.92	-5.77	73	3,273	481	5,317
Northeast												
Hawley	57	17	38	-5	0.39	2	29.30	3.63	85	2,337	296	4,222
Wilkes-Barre/Sc	58	22	42	-3	0.68	2	17.73	-7.08	74	3,153	506	5,174
Susquehanna	59	19	39	-2	0.80	2	30.56	2.82	75	2,462	539	4,389
West Central												
Butler	70	25	42	-3	0.87	2	29.65	2.44	101	2,770	268	4,716
New Castle	69	26	42	-3	0.74	2	27.52	2.43	92	2,874	368	4,835
Slippery Rock	71	26	43	-1	0.85	2	28.01	1.15	87	2,969	727	4,932
Central												
Altoona/Blair	65	23	43	-3	0.16	2	21.08	-3.10	93	3,064	400	5,086
DuBois	69	22	42	-1	0.61	2	23.29	-4.11	88	2,852	575	4,817
Lewistown	67	25	43	-4	0.27	2	22.75	-3.17	80	3,313	385	5,366
Middletown	66	27	45	-3	0.27	2	29.61	3.80	84	3,645	321	5,744
Prince Gallitzi	70	24	42	-2	0.27	1	25.15	-5.67	87	2,602	473	4,538
Selinsgrove	63	24	41	-4	0.45	3	28.10	1.12	76	3,004	284	5,021
State College	63	24	41	-3	0.30	2	26.06	1.59	81	2,964	353	4,964
East Central												
Allentown-Bethel	63	25	44	-3	0.13	1	31.44	3.47	77	3,359	327	5,428
Lehighton	59	26	41	-6	0.27	1	29.32	1.32	77	2,735	-186	4,745
Matamoras	60	24	41	-4	0.27	2	30.56	2.29	81	2,881	268	4,892
Mt_Pocono	53	22	39	-1	0.26	2	32.27	1.68	76	2,418	673	4,326
Southwest												
Pittsburgh/Alle	74	27	46	2	0.75	2	27.88	2.46	92	3,382	692	5,429
Indiana_PA	68	27	43	-2	0.60	2	30.09	0.45	110	2,989	384	4,977
Myersdale	69	20	40	-5	0.13	2	29.19	0.37	104	2,306	-192	4,199
Chalk_Hill	69	20	38	-9	0.73	2	35.25	7.39	104	2,338	-537	4,224
Pittsburgh Intl	71	28	45	-1	0.79	2	24.77	1.15	88	3,369	552	5,399
Connellsville	74	26	44	-3	0.77	3	35.10	7.24	123	3,121	246	5,126
Waynesburg	73	24	41	-4	0.56	2	26.58	0.86	101	2,901	307	4,879
South Central												
Biglerville	65	27	44	-5	0.19	2	27.48	2.84	77	3,367	117	5,431
Everett	68	22	41	-4	0.17	2	20.78	-3.02	86	2,689	31	4,659
Hanover	68	24	44	-4	0.26	2	26.95	2.31	89	3,258	8	5,319
Harrisburg_AP	66	26	45	-4	0.33	2	29.52	3.71	85	3,628	294	5,729
South Mountain	62	24	41	-4	0.56	2	31.24	7.06	88	2,641	-12	4,615
York	66	23	45	-3	0.28	1	32.40	6.32	82	3,386	137	5,454
Southeast												
Green Lane	64	27	43	-4	0.10	1	30.70	3.57	80	3,313	425	5,389
Hamburg	62	28	43	-2	0.13	2	28.11	-3.43	88	3,257	650	5,314
West_Chester	66	24	44	-6	0.11	1	38.75	9.24	79	3,265	28	5,328
Lancaster	64	25	44	-3	0.09	1	27.63	0.30	75	3,370	307	5,431
Neshaminy Falls	67	26	43	-4	0.02	1	30.44	-0.60	73	3,484	464	5,580
New Holland	63	26	46	-1	0.14	1	30.72	3.39	71	3,566	503	5,682
Philadelphia	67	33	49	-1	0.05	1	37.39	11.14	73	4,148	579	6,314
Philadelphia NE	68	32	48	-2	0.03	1	27.76	1.51	79	3,882	313	6,023
Reading	65	28	46	-1	0.12	1	28.59	-0.45	76	3,673	676	5,786
Sellersville	64	24	42	-5	0.16	1	33.56	6.43	74	3,102	214	5,139
Doylestown_AG	66	28	44	-3	0.10	1	34.90	3.86	76	3,454	434	5,546

DFN = Departure from normal (using 1961-90 normals period).
Precipitation (rainfall or melted snow or ice) and pan evaporation in inches.
Precipitation days = days with precipitation of .01 inch or more.
Air temperatures in degrees fahrenheit.
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REPORTERS COMMENTS, By County

Reporters are from Extension Service (Ext), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Farm Service Agency (FSA), Conservation District (CD), farmers, commodity specialists, or other knowledgeable individuals.

ADAMS County, Judy A. Behney
Temperatures in Adams county ranged from the high 20's to the low 60's this week. Corn and soybeans continue to be harvested with good yields being report and with producers storing in whatever type of storage they can get as the mills are scheduling loads to be delivered to them and producers want to continue to harvest crops as they want to beat any bad weather conditions and loss of yields in the future. Wheat and barley is looking pretty good that was seeded earlier and newly established hay seedings are also looking pretty good.

Apple harvest is pretty much done except a few larger producers are picking another week. Apple yields are pretty good this year for most growers but prices are lower this year. Springtime weather conditions did affect Apple yields some in certain areas of the county. Overall the producers are busy harvesting and seeding small grains and or cover crops for the winter.

BUTLER County, L Fritz
Snow and wintery conditions are slowing corn harvest; yields are excellent so finding local storage is becoming a problem. There are still a few fields of soybeans to be harvested. Some producers are spreading lime when conditions permit.

CAMBRIA County, Dolly Little
Corn harvesting continues.

CENTRE County, Dick Decker
Good week to continue corn and soybean harvest.

CLARION County, Tom Tanner
Harvesting corn and soybeans. Farmers planting cover crops.

FRANKLIN County, Thomas Kerr
Corn harvest has slowed due to lack of storage space. Week spent hauling manure, baling fodder and finishing the soybean harvest.

LANCASTER County, Jeff Graybill
Cool weather has fall grains and cover crops growing very slowly. May reduce winter survival for some fields.

SNYDER County, William C. Sheaffer
Harvest is near completion. Winter grains are looking good. The main activities for the week were harvesting and chopping corn stalks.

PA Crop Progress for Week Ending November 10, 2013

Crop	Current Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
	Percent	*Percent*	*Percent*
Fall plowing	90	88	79
Corn, harvested	76	78	73
Wheat, planted	92	89	90
Wheat, emerged	78	70	75
Soybeans, harvested	87	75	74
Grapes, harvested	100	-	-

PA Crop Condition for Week Ending November 10, 2013

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	*Percent*	*Percent*	*Percent*	*Percent*
Wheat	0	1	5	59	35
Pasture	2	14	42	41	1

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