



Crop Progress and Condition

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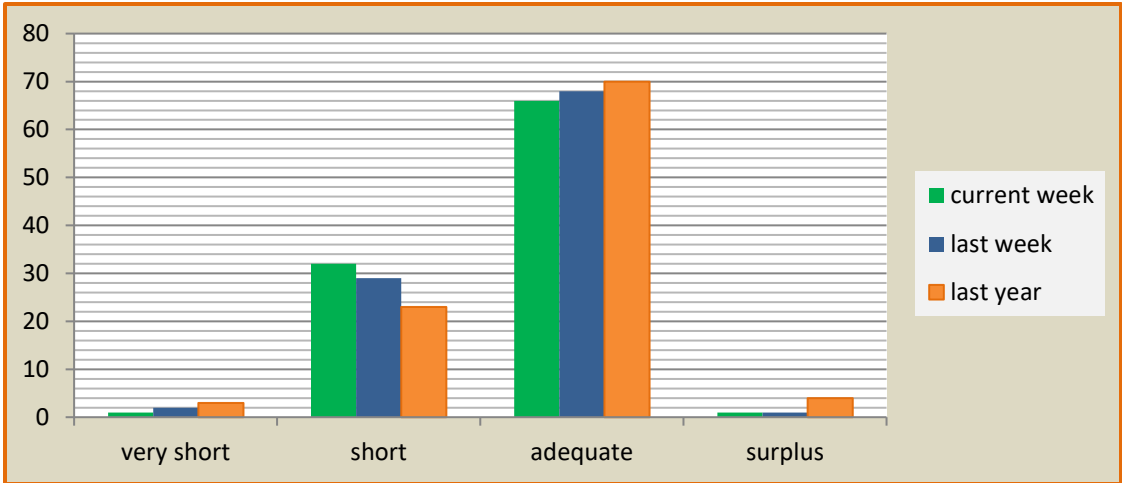
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.4. Weather conditions were cooler with some rain. High temperatures were in the 80s. Farming activities this week included fixing fences and planting corn and soybeans. Some pastures that were grazed early are showing signs of stress. There are abnormally dry to severe drought conditions in the State.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 5/11/25

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	32	66	1
Subsoil	2	31	67	-
Hay & Roughage	13	59	27	1
Feed grain	1	34	63	2

- Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 5/11/25



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 5/11/25

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	25	74	-
Peaches	-	-	27	73	-
Hay	1	8	51	37	3
Pasture	1	10	38	47	4
Winter Wheat	-	6	75	18	1
Cattle & Calves	-	2	15	75	8
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	19	76	4

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 5/11/25

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	26	20	35	30
Corn emerged	11	2	18	11
Soybeans planted	14	9	8	20
Soybeans emerged	8	-	5	4
Winter Wheat headed	29	16	57	48

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending May 11, 2025

An upper-level low pressure system settled in over top of West Virginia on Monday. This created showers and thunderstorms throughout the day. Some thunderstorms produced hail. The upper level low slowly moved away on Tuesday, but still produced some afternoon showers and thunderstorms. Wednesday was mostly sunny and cool under high pressure. Another cold front crossed on Thursday, creating more unsettled weather. The temperatures on Friday were much cooler on the back side of the cold front and some precipitation fell over the Eastern Panhandle as the system moved out. Saturday and Sunday were dry with a warming trend. This week ended with West Virginia being cooler than usual and mostly drier than normal.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 87 degrees. Elkins had the lowest recorded temperature of 32 degrees. The state average temperature was 59 degrees.

Precipitation: Keyser had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.52 inches. Bluefield had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.05 inches. The state average precipitation was 0.57 inches.

Drought Conditions: Abnormally dry (D0) conditions over eastern mountains. Moderate drought (D1) over the Eastern Panhandle and a small area of severe drought (D2) in the extreme Eastern Panhandle.

<https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?WV>

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 5/11/25

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2025	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST-----									
WHEELING	79	37	58	-1	0.66	0.95	7.19	5.38	5.10
PARKERSBURG	83	34	59	-2	0.54	0.95	6.17	4.20	5.19
CRESTON	84	38	59		0.33		6.58	5.87	
--NORTHCENTRAL-----									
MORGANTOWN	81	37	60	-1	0.72	1.02	7.72	4.94	5.57
CLARKSBURG	81	35	59	-1	1.06	0.96	5.85	5.74	5.48
BELINGTON	84	36	60		0.62		7.85	3.23	
WESTON	80	37	58		0.43		7.23	4.56	
--SOUTHWEST-----									
WILLIAMSON	87	43	61		0.41		5.72	3.54	
HUNTINGTON	85	41	61	-2	0.11	1.11	6.19	3.96	5.76
CHARLESTON	82	37	59	-4	0.48	1.24	7.39	5.32	6.13
RIPLEY	85	38	61		0.12		6.38	5.73	
--CENTRAL-----									
TERRA ALTA	76	35	56		1.21		8.15	4.42	
ELKINS	81	32	57	-2	0.66	1.21	7.09	4.41	6.09
MARLINTON	74	35	56		0.17		4.65	3.09	
--SOUTHERN-----									
BECKLEY	74	36	58	-2	0.24	1.07	4.09	2.97	5.37
PINEVILLE	76	37	58		0.21		5.58	4.59	
BLUEFIELD	71	38	56	-3	0.05	1.04	3.02	4.61	5.38
WHITE SUL SP	74	33	56		0.07		4.38	2.88	
BLUESTONE DAM	75	41	58		0.49		4.21	3.55	
--NORTHEASTERN-----									
MARTINSBURG	79	46	61	0	1.44	0.93	6.06	3.72	4.96
KEYSER	84	34	60		1.52		5.46	6.47	
MOOREFIELD	80	36	60		0.89		4.08	2.86	
CHARLES TOWN	80	47	62		0.76		5.39	N/A	
State Average Temperature	59								
State Average Precipitation	0.57								

Source:
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