



# Crop Progress and Condition

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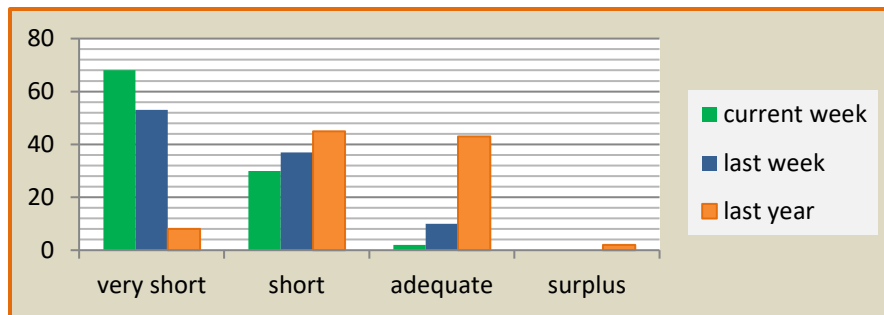
**Agricultural News:** Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.8. Weather conditions were mostly hot and dry. Farmers continue to haul water to livestock as drought conditions persist. Farming activities this week included selling livestock and harvesting peaches.

**SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 7/14/24**

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	68	30	2	-
Subsoil	58	33	9	-

- Represents zero.

**TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 7/14/24**



**CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 7/14/24**

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	4	70	26	-
Peaches	-	5	72	23	-
Corn	6	28	58	5	3
Hay	1	34	32	28	5
Pasture	9	41	38	9	3
Soybeans	4	21	40	33	2
Cattle & Calves	-	9	36	51	4
Sheep & Lambs	-	5	23	65	7

- Represents zero.

**CROP PROGRESS for week ending 7/14/24**

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Peaches harvested	31	9	13	7
Corn silking	22	16	12	14
Hay first cutting	95	90	92	86
Hay second cutting	6	-	3	2
Soybeans blooming	16	11	13	5
Winter Wheat harvested for grain	71	58	41	45

- Represents zero or data not available.

**Weather Summary-** For the week ending July 14, 2024

The week began dry and hot under high pressure. Monday started with near normal temperatures, but quickly warmed into the 90s for most stations. Tuesday was even more uncomfortable as southerly winds brought high humidity levels back into Appalachia as well as highs into the upper 90s. The heat index was well into the 100s, and heat advisories and heat warnings were issued for most of the lowlands. West Virginia remained dry through the first two days of the week. A mostly dry cold front crossed over the area early on Wednesday morning, producing a few showers and thunderstorms and dropping humidity and temperature levels back down close to normal. The heat began to move back in on Thursday, but most of West Virginia's temperatures were close to normal. Precipitation remained elusive. Friday was again mostly sunny across the region with very few clouds and no precipitation. High temperatures were in the 80s and 90s with lows in the 60s. Saturday was hot and dry across the state. Sunday again warmed well into the 90s for most locations. Sunday evening a line of thunderstorms crossed from Ohio into West Virginia and moved across central West Virginia. The storms added some needed precipitation in these areas. Overall, West Virginia was hot and dry. All stations were three to six degrees above average for the week, and most received zero rain.

**Temperatures:** Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 100 degrees. Elkins and Bluefield had the lowest recorded temperature of 57 degrees. The state average temperature was 78 degrees.

**Precipitation:** Martinsburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.72 inches. Several stations reported zero precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.05 inches.

**Drought Conditions:** All of West Virginia is abnormally dry (D0). D1, or moderate drought, is spreading over the eastern mountains, central lowlands, and southern coalfields. D2 (severe drought) is in the Eastern Panhandle.

**Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 7/14/24**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation					
	High	Low	Weekly Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2024	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal	
<b>--NORTHWEST</b>										
WHEELING	95	61	79	6	0.01	0.95	10.06	11.18	13.84	
PARKERSBURG	95	62	79	4	0.05	1.04	9.21	11.08	14.27	
CRESTON	96	60	78		0.00		11.86	11.00		
<b>--NORTHCENTRAL</b>										
MORGANTOWN	95	63	80	6	0.01	1.14	13.82	10.67	14.51	
CLARKSBURG	95	63	79	5	0.00	1.27	15.19	10.52	15.22	
BELINGTON	96	61	79		0.00		11.39	15.69		
WESTON	97	61	79		0.03		11.81	13.53		
<b>--SOUTHWEST</b>										
WILLIAMSON	99	63	80		0.00		11.09	15.01		
HUNTINGTON	96	64	81	4	0.07	1.11	11.95	12.21	14.77	
CHARLESTON	96	61	79	3	0.02	1.31	14.29	11.16	16.27	
RIPLEY	96	61	79		0.06		11.23	11.25		
<b>--CENTRAL</b>										
TERRA ALTA	90	58	76		0.00		12.11	13.95		
ELKINS	93	57	77	5	0.00	1.35	10.72	14.01	16.38	
MARLINTON	90	60	75		0.00		10.48	13.43		
<b>--SOUTHERN</b>										
BECKLEY	91	59	75	3	0.00	1.10	8.99	13.19	14.70	
PINEVILLE	96	59	79		0.02		10.91	13.07		
BLUEFIELD	90	57	75	4	0.05	0.98	11.69	18.29	14.32	
WHITE SUL SP	91	58	75		0.00		9.42	12.07		
BLUESTONE DAM	91	59	75		0.00		11.81	11.45		
<b>--NORTHEASTERN</b>										
MARTINSBURG	97	62	80	4	0.72	0.83	7.63	8.41	12.87	
KEYSER	100	60	81		0.00		15.16	11.41		
MOOREFIELD	98	61	80		0.00		7.54	10.73		
State Average Temperature	78									
State Average Precipitation	0.05									

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