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Crop Progress and Condition



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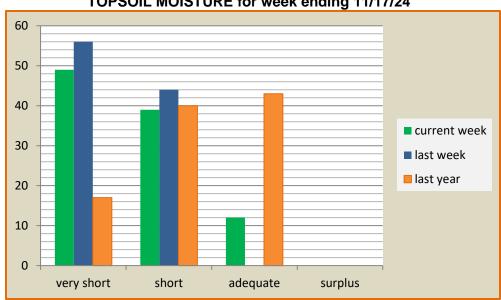
<u>Agricultural News</u>: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.0. Weather conditions were cool with scattered rain. The precipitation helped with water levels. There are moderate drought to exceptional drought conditions in the State. Farming activities this week included harvesting soybeans and corn for grain.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/17/24

| | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus | |
|---------|------------|-------|----------|---------|--|
| | % | % | % | % | |
| Topsoil | 49 | 39 | 12 | - | |
| Subsoil | 65 | 27 | 8 | - | |

⁻ Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/17/24



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 11/17/24

| Crop/Livestock | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|-----------------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| | % | % | % | % | % |
| Soybeans | 32 | 63 | 5 | - | - |
| Winter Wheat | 35 | 58 | 7 | - | - |
| Cattle & Calves | 8 | 19 | 57 | 16 | - |
| Sheep & Lambs | 8 | 20 | 59 | 13 | - |

⁻ Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 11/17/24

| Crop Stage | This Week | Last Week | Last Year | 5-Yr Avg | |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|--|
| | % | % | % | % | |
| Corn harvested for grain | 68 | 58 | 63 | 71 | |
| Soybeans dropping leaves | 95 | 83 | 100 | 98 | |
| Soybeans harvested | 57 | 49 | 68 | 61 | |
| Winter Wheat emerged | 61 | 51 | 63 | 70 | |

⁻ Represents zero or data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending November 17, 2024

The week began with low pressure moving eastward away from the region. With plenty of sunshine in the afternoon, temperatures were unseasonably warm. Cold air began to filter in early Tuesday as a dry cold front crossed over, and then high pressure took hold. Wednesday began mostly sunny under high pressure. High clouds began to move in during the late morning ahead of another cold front moving in from the west. Precipitation associated with the cold front began early Thursday morning and continued through the day. Many locations received over one inch of rainfall. Friday was mostly cloudy with some lingering showers. Saturday began cloudy, but then cleared out to become mostly sunny. Sunday was sunny with increasing temperatures. Overall, all stations were within three degrees of normal and many saw greater than average rain.

<u>Temperatures</u>: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 74 degrees. Elkins had the lowest recorded temperature of 22 degrees. The state average temperature was 46 degrees.

<u>Precipitation:</u> Charleston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.96 inches. Charles Town had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.18 inches. The state average precipitation was 1.04 inches.

<u>Drought Conditions</u>: All of West Virginia is in moderate drought (D1). Severe drought (D2) covers most of the lowlands north of the coal fields. Extreme drought (D3) covers the northern and northwestern lowlands. A small area of exceptional drought (D4) covers the central and west central counties from Jackson County to Braxton County.

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

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 11/17/24

| | Temperature | | | | Precipitation | | | | |
|---------------|-------------|-----|---------|-----------|---------------|------|--------------------|-----------|--------|
| | | | | eekly | We | ek's | Since April 1st | Same Week | Season |
| Station | High | Low | Average | Departure | Total | Norm | 2024 | Last Year | Normal |
| NORTHWEST | | | | | | | | | |
| WHEELING | 61 | 32 | 45 | 1 | 0.31 | 0.66 | 16.57 | 22.13 | 27.24 |
| PARKERSBURG | 63 | 31 | 46 | 1 | 0.77 | 0.63 | 22.20 | 27.99 | 27.78 |
| CRESTON | 66 | 29 | 48 | | 1.03 | | 20.81 | 24.17 | |
| NORTHCENTRAL | | | | | | | | | |
| MORGANTOWN | 65 | 30 | 47 | 2 | 0.26 | 0.67 | 25.05 | 22.83 | 29.02 |
| CLARKSBURG | 66 | 30 | 46 | 3 | 0.51 | 0.68 | 24.16 | 26.08 | 29.96 |
| BELINGTON | 68 | 29 | 46 | | 1.18 | | 22.37 | 28.70 | |
| WESTON | 65 | 26 | 46 | | 1.39 | | 26.28 | 32.39 | |
| SOUTHWEST | | | | | | | | | |
| WILLIAMSON | 74 | 34 | 51 | | 1.59 | | 25.51 | 26.40 | |
| HUNTINGTON | 68 | 33 | 50 | 3 | 1.52 | 0.67 | 24.04 | 21.09 | 29.45 |
| CHARLESTON | 69 | 31 | 48 | 1 | 1.96 | 0.68 | 24.96 | 21.16 | 31.56 |
| RIPLEY | 68 | 33 | 50 | | 1.42 | | 20.89 | 22.73 | |
| CENTRAL | | | | | | | | | |
| TERRA ALTA | 63 | 30 | 44 | | 0.64 | | 24.73 | 28.36 | |
| ELKINS | 66 | 22 | 45 | 2 | 1.13 | 0.61 | 25.34 | 28.63 | 31.71 |
| MARLINTON | 64 | 30 | 44 | | 1.38 | | 25.10 | 22.08 | |
| SOUTHERN | | | | | | | | | |
| BECKLEY | 67 | 34 | 46 | 2 | 1.52 | 0.60 | 21.31 | 28.70 | 28.68 |
| PINEVILLE | 71 | 35 | 49 | | 1.58 | | 24.73 | 22.23 | |
| BLUEFIELD | 64 | 28 | 44 | 0 | 1.08 | 0.54 | 28.83 | 27.88 | 27.26 |
| WHITE SUL SP | 70 | 27 | 44 | | 1.22 | | 23.29 | 20.82 | |
| BLUESTONE DAM | 67 | 31 | 45 | | 1.60 | | 25.07 | 19.70 | |
| NORTHEASTERN | | | | | | | | | |
| MARTINSBURG | 72 | 25 | 46 | 1 | 0.21 | 0.60 | 23.07 | 17.87 | 26.56 |
| KEYSER | 70 | 23 | 45 | | 0.81 | | 26.26 | 20.67 | |
| MOOREFIELD | 70 | 23 | 44 | | 0.56 | | 16.71 | 17.24 | |
| CHARLES TOWN | 72 | 27 | 46 | | 0.18 | | 22.28 | N/A | |
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State Average Temperature 46 State Average Precipitation 1.04

Source:

Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV. N/A-Not available.