Crop Progress & Condition



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Fair Week for Field Work: Pennsylvania had an average of 5 days suitable for field work this week. The average height of emerged corn is 4 inches. All oats are planted and mostly emerged by now. The moderate rainfall last week left the soils adequately moist with only a small percentage of fields too wet for field work. Many farmers are concentrating on making hay this week and next. There are some reports of hay yields being low due to the late start to the Spring conditions. Herbicide is being sprayed on crops that are tall enough. Thunderstorms are projected for Tuesday and Thursday but the rest of the week should be relatively dry with temperatures in the upper 70's and low 80's. This week should include more planting, spraying, and cutting of forage crops.

PA Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 1, 2014 (equal to 100%)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus		
Subsoil	0%	1%	89%	10%		
Topsoil	0%	0%	84%	16%		

Crop Condition (in %):

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa Hay	0	1	28	57	14
Corn	0	0	13	82	5
Oats	0	0	18	65	17
Other Hay	0	2	28	57	13
Pasture	4	7	26	40	23
Quality of Hay Made	0	1	2	38	59
Winter Wheat	0	7	26	54	13

Crop Progress (in %):

	June 1	Last Year	5-year Average		
Alfalfa 1 st Cutting	44	57	59		
Barley Headed	93	93	97		
Barley Coloring	56	15	53		
Corn Planted	80	92	86		
Corn Emerged	54	58	59		
Oats Emerged	92	99	92		
Other Hay 1 st Cutting	20	34	36		
Potatoes Planted	67	96	91		
Soybean Planted	61	73	64		
Soybean Emerged	27	43	37		
Spring Tillage	76	-	-		
Tobacco 93		-	91		
Tobacco Transplanted or Set	20	60	67		
Winter Wheat Headed	71	91	93		

June 1, 2014 Pennsylvania Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary				nmary	Accu	mulat	ion Si	nce A			
		Temperature Precipitation			itation	Precipitation GDD Base 50F					Bas 40F		
Region	Station	Hi	Lo		DFN	Total	Days	Total					Tota
	Clarion	82	42	Avg 64	+4	0.08	Days 1	8.47	+0.40	27	314	+43	7
Northwest	Erie	78	50	65	+4	0.08	1	7.07	+0.40	25	393	+43	8
			47				2			30			
	Franklin_AG	83		67	+5	0.02		9.92	+2.32		366	+64	8
	Meadville-Port	81	49	67	+7	0.35	3	8.70		28	413	+150	9
	Springboro	80	45	63	+2	0.05	1	9.76		27	307	+37	7
v 10 . 1	Warren	82	45	65	+4	0.16	1	9.78	+1.98	29	352	+76	8
North Central	- 5	79	40	62	+5	0.73	1	10.42	+2.81	25	286	+92	- 3
	Coudersport_1SW	81	36	60	+2	0.32	1	9.16		30	250	+21	(
	Kane	81	38	63	+7	0.31	1	12.20	+4.10	27	260	+105	(
	Laporte	80	47	61	+3	1.63	1	10.30		29	255	+36	(
	Lock_Haven	85	45	65	+3	0.13	2	9.24	+2.14	25	385	+39	8
	Oswayo	81	43	62	+5	0.16	1	8.32	+1.67	24	273	+82	(
	Renovo	84	45	64	+2	0.67	2	9.26	+2.50	29	382	+22	8
	Ridgway	81	41	63	+5	0.56	1	11.95	+4.09	28	322	+122	7
	Stevenson_Dam	83	31	61	0	0.02	1	8.47	+1.21	25	290	+19	
	Towanda	84	45	63	+2	0.14	1	6.07	-0.47	25	335	+45	
	Wellsboro	80	44	62	+5	0.32	2	8.73	+3.03	32	276	+85	
	Williamsport_AP	86	46	66	+3	0.29	2	8.06	+0.64	25	467	+92	10
Northeast	Hawley	82	41	62	+3	0.00	0	7.58	-0.32	26	282	+64	,
	Milanville	84	44	64	+5	0.00	0	8.09	+0.19	22	339	+121	
	Susquehanna	83	43	62	+2	0.14	2	6.93	-1.22	28	305	+41	
	Wilkes-Barre	83	47	65	+2	0.04	1	5.76	-1.34	21	452	+85	9
West Central	Butler	82	43	66	+5	0.19	3	7.01	-0.86	26	376	+99	
	New_Castle_Ag	87	45	68	+6	0.43	3	9.66	+2.77	29	437	+106	9
	Slippery_Rock	87	48	68	+9	0.74	2	11.07	+3.57	28	430	+192	
Central	Altoona_AP	85	48	66	+3	0.94	3		+0.85	25	442	+72	9
Contrar	Du_Bois	80	48	66	+6	0.06	1	7.94	+0.52	27	429	+153	-
	Lewistown	88	48	67	+3	0.00	2	8.94	+1.41	21	444	+133	
		87	52		+3	1.21	3		+2.99	24	547	+49	1
	Middletown		41	67			2	11.05		30	352		
	Prince_Gallitzi	81		63	+3	0.67		6.72	-0.43			+63	
	Selinsgrove_2S	86	48	65	+2	0.22	2	8.51	+0.90	22	380	+23	
	State_College_P	84	51	66	+4	0.56	3	9.06	+2.06	28	413	+72	9
East Central	Allentown-Bethl	85	50	66	+3	0.07	1	11.07	+2.97	23	485	+110	10
	Lehighton	83	47	64	+3	0.14	3	10.48	+1.56	27	366	+69	- 8
	Mt_Pocono	80	41	61	+4	0.02	1	10.16	+1.03	23	305	+145	
Southwest	Pittsburgh_Alle	85	56	71	+9	1.42	2	9.37	+2.12	26	638	+309	12
	Chalk_Hill	83	42	65	+5	0.74	2	8.79	-1.64	31	351	+47	
	Connellsville_A	85	45	67	+4	2.28	3	11.02	+2.79	31	476	+98	10
	Indiana_3SE	81	43	64	+2	0.67	2	8.03	-0.37	27	363	+9	:
	Meyersdale	80	40	62	+3	2.04	3	9.05	+0.18	28	265	+14	
	Pittsburgh_Intl	84	52	70	+6	1.46	2	8.63	+1.69	27	557	+151	1
	Waynesburg	84	46	66	+4	0.61	1	7.24	-0.32	28	430	+82	9
South Central	Biglerville	88	52	67	+4	0.63	3	10.16	+1.96	22	483	+119	10
	Everett	84	42	62	0	0.45	3	7.37	-0.02	25	307	-20	,
	Hanover	86	48	65	-1	0.55	3	9.96	+2.63	24	453	-37	10
	Harrisburg_AP	87	52	68		0.95	3		+1.86		517	+19	10
	South_Mountain	82		63			3		+1.73			-144	
	York_AP	85		66		0.46			+0.05			-6	
Southeast	Doylestown_AG	85		65		0.21	2		+2.13				
	Green_Lane	86		65		0.86	2		+4.88		469		10
	Hamburg	84		66		0.57	3		+2.21	23	451	+42	1
	Lancaster_AP	85		65		0.57	3		+0.53		472	+42	
	Neshaminy_Falls	87	46	64		0.58	2				472		_
	-								+0.74				10
	New_Holland	88		67	+4		3		+1.60		526		
	Philadelphia_AP	88		68		0.96	2		+2.11	17	678		1:
	Philadelphia_NE	89		68			2		+0.49		654		13
	Reading_AP	86		67	+3		2		+1.61	22	551	+99	1
	Sellersville	84		64		0.55	2		+5.34		398		
	West_Chester	88	47	65	-2	0.54	3	12.54	+4.13	26	459	+1	9

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

Adams County started the week off with morning temperatures in the 60's and got into the 80's Monday with mostly sunny conditions. Tuesday 60's morning was sunny and 71 daytime but cloudy afternoon. Thunderstorms and rain early evening with at least a half inch of rainfall. Wednesday started at 66 sunny till lunchtime then cloudy and 78. Thursday cloudy, rain showers 53 and only got to high 50's daytime with a 1/4 inch of rainfall. Friday is 55 this morning and cloudy with some showers. Corn and soybeans continue to be planted when weather and field conditions permit which has been interesting this year to date. Earlier corn and soybeans planted are emerging now but some corn planted beginning of May is being replanted due to poor stand. There is still a fair amount of corn and soybeans to be planted in the county which is behind schedule due to soil condition. Barley is starting to turn color maturing and wheat is all in head now. Small grains are shorter than usual with lateness and weather conditions. Ryelage is being cut along with other forage being put in silo or wrapped wet. Not much dry hay has been made due to weather conditions not permitting. Oats is starting to grow. All crops could use some nice warm sunshine for a few days in a row. Fruit crops continue to be monitored for fireblight and scab, mildew due to rainy weather we've been having. Timing of the spraying is critical to controlling these conditions. Stink bugs are also around now. Strawberries should be starting to be picked in the next week locally depending on the sunshine to ripen them. Other vegetables are doing ok for now planted but some producers still trying to get their vegetables planted. Overall the producers are busy in the county with preparing fields and planting and monitoring their crops throughout the county hoping things improve to be able to have decent crops this year.

ADAMS County, Lee Showalter

Most of the apple varieties that needed chemical thinning have been thinned as of this date. Apple set appears good on most varieties with the exception of Golden Delicious.

ADAMS/FRANKLIN County, Thomas Kerr

Most first cutting of alfalfa done and reports are the tonnage is light due to cool weather. Grass hay looks good and yield is normal. Some areas southern Adams county still a little wet for planting so some corn ground may becomes soybeans. Franklin county is mostly done with full season corn.

BEAVER County, Luke Fritz

Corn and soybean planting is nearly complete. The good weather permitted dry hay harvest to begin, finally.

CENTRE County, Dick A. Decker

Some field work possible. Heavy rain on Tuesday. 1.2 inches of rain.

INDIANA County, J. Scott Overdorff

Last week we got almost an inch of rain. It soaked into the ground well and quick. The ground disced and culti-packed up real well on Saturday(31 Jun 14) for planting soy beans and corn. Finished all the plowing. The oats is growing well and looks real good. Its tall enough for spraying. The soy beans are coming up nice. Still have a few acres of beans to plant but a lot of corn to plant yet. The hay and pasture fields are growing real well with the warm and sunny days along with the rain to make the grass grow. According to the 5 day forecast next week does not look good for making any hay. Hope everyone has a safe farming week!

JUNIATA/SNYDER County, William C. Sheaffer

Very good week. Chopping of forage, haymaking, planting and spraying were the main activities. The corn and soybean stands are thin in the flooded areas; otherwise, they are looking good.

LEBANON County, Charlene Ziegler

Corn and soybean planting continues. Alfalfa and grass hay was mowed. Herbicide spraying continues. A storm with wind Tuesday evening did damage to farm buildings in the north west section of the county.

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