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# **Crop Progress & Condition**

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Pennsylvania

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**Good Week for Field Work:** Pennsylvania had an average of 5 days suitable for field work this week. The average height of emerged corn is 60 inches and some corn has just begun the milk phase. Winter wheat is almost all mature in the state. Soybeans pods have just begun to set. Some farmers have begun their third cutting of alfalfa while most are just finishing up their first cutting. Barely harvesting should be finished by the end of this week. The state has mostly adequate moisture with little signs of heat stress. Temperatures will range from the low 80's to low 90's with lots of clouds with rains expected for Wednesday and Thursday. Main field activities for the week will be spraying for weeds, haymaking, and harvesting.

### PA Soil Moisture for Week Ending July 20, 2014 (equal to 100%)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Subsoil	0	14	73	13
Topsoil	0	18	71	11

## Crop Condition (in %):

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
Alfalfa Hay	0	7	24	59	10	
Apples	1	19	40	23	17	
Cherries	100	0	0	0	0	
Corn	1	3	15	47	34	
Oats	1	2	25	58	14	
Other Hay	0	13	30	53	4	
Pasture	4	6	26	50	14	
Peaches	0	0	2	30	68	
Quality of Hay Made	1	6	31	38	24	
Soybean	0	1	16	65	18	

	July 20	Last Year	5-year Average						
Alfalfa 1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting	96	100	100						
Alfalfa 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting	69	80	87						
Alfalfa 3 <sup>rd</sup> Cutting	12	22	22						
Barley Harvested	95	97	97						
Corn Silking	37	50	52						
Corn Milk	7	-	-						
Oats Headed	96	98	98						
Oats Coloring	79	89	75						
Oats Mature	10	30	32						
Other Hay 1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting	90	96	98						
Other Hay 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting	37	26	43						
Soybean Blooming	54	-	-						
Soybean Setting Pods	6	-	-						
Winter Wheat Mature	96	98	98						
Winter Wheat Harvested	72	82	89						

**Crop Progress (in %):** 

# July 20, 2014 Pennsylvania Weekly Weather Summary

		La	st W	eek '	Weath	ner Sun	nmary	Accu	mulat	ion Si	nce A	pril 1,	2014
		Temperature			Precip	itation	on Precipit		tion	GDD Base 50F		Base 40F	
Region	Station	Hi	Lo		DFN	Total	Davs				Total	DFN	Total
Northwest	Clarion	84	48	65	-5	1.44	4	20.82	+4.20	58	1151	+75	2115
	Erie	81	53	68	-5	0.46	4	14.55	+1.40	46	1378	+117	2343
	Franklin_AG	86	48	66	-6	2.66	5	24.51	+8.79	62	1297	+109	2285
	Meadville-Port	80	50	66	-4	1.73	4	19.35	+4.98	57	1337	+253	2340
	Springboro	80	49	65	-6	0.95	4	21.86	+7.79	55	1138	+7	2063
	Warren	80	48	65	-6	1.80	6	20.60	+5.12	56	1224	+100	2187
North Central	Bradford_Region	77	41	63	-5	1.23	4	19.26	+3.47	49	1021	+168	1933
	Coudersport_1SW	79	46	64	-3	1.30	4	19.55	+4.26	54	974	+54	1839
	Kane	78	41	62	-4	2.42	5	22.63	+6.87	51	1001	+259	1895
	Laporte	80	50	66	-3	0.96	3	19.49	+5.75	52	1029	+64	1919
	Lock_Haven	86	53	69	-4	1.47	4	15.80	+1.24	47	1368	+90	2361
	Oswayo	79	41	62	-5	2.76	5	18.54	+4.10	44	977	+106	1836
	Renovo	88	49	68	-5	1.55	5	15.52	+1.54	55	1330	+54	2331
	Ridgway	83	46	65	-3	1.56	5	21.48	+5.70	56	1151	+244	2098
	Stevenson_Dam	85	51	67	-5	0.42	4	15.23	+0.45	47	1153	+33	2080
	Towanda	86	49	68	-3	0.70	2	10.22	-2.10	42	1231	+78	2174
	Wellsboro	80	46	64	-4	0.84	4	14.24	+1.59	55	1019	+143	1913
	Williamsport_AP	87	53	71	-2	0.79	3	14.36	-0.13	47	1550	+211	2574
Northeast	Hawley	82	50	68	-1	1.72	4	17.33	+2.93	47	1128	+146	2044
	Milanville	83	51	69	+1	0.34	2	16.91	+2.51	42	1231	+249	2183
	Susquehanna	81	51	68	-2	1.22	3	13.59	-0.86	46	1176	+110	2104
	Wilkes-Barre	85	53	71	-2	0.33	2	10.17	-3.29	38	1515	+204	2518
West Central	Butler	84	48	66	-4	2.30	4	19.88	+4.98	53	1284	+162	2295
	New_Castle_Ag	89	50	68	-5	1.93	4	19.73	+5.87	57	1442	+187	2462
	Slippery_Rock	89	47	67	-2	2.10	5	22.12	+7.13	56	1417	+407	2435
Central	Altoona_AP	85	51	68	-5	1.27	5	17.51	+4.10	48	1429	+117	2457
	 Du_Bois	82	49	66	-4	1.94	5	18.65	+3.55	52	1359	+273	2364
	Lewistown	87	54	70	-3	1.13	4	18.98	+4.19	45	1503	+132	2531
	Middletown	88	60	75	-2	0.96	2	17.07	+3.06	43	1788	+174	2858
	Prince_Gallitzi	86	47	66	-4	0.94	5	14.40	+1.24	53	1244	+107	2219
	Selinsgrove_2S	85	53	70	-3	1.54	4	15.18	+0.65	44	1430	+104	2430
	State_College_P	83	54	68	-4	2.27	5	18.54	+5.00	51	1390	+134	2401
East Central	Allentown-Bethl	88	55	73	-1	2.21	4	19.74	+5.06	42	1611	+236	2639
	Lehighton	85	53	68	-4	2.72	4	20.30	+3.83	52	1300		2291
	Mt_Pocono	80	50	67	0	0.92	3	16.88	+0.66	43	1141	+301	2088
Southwest	 Pittsburgh_Alle	86	55	70	-3	1.62	5	15.76	+2.20	52	1760	+525	2833
	Chalk_Hill	86	46	65	-4	1.26	3	16.56		55	1198	+95	2164
	Connellsville_A	87	52	68	-5	1.25	5		+4.24	54			2532
	Indiana_3SE	84	49	66	-5	1.93	5	16.15		59			2268
	Meyersdale	84		65	-4	1.94	5	16.05					2021
	Pittsburgh_Intl	83	52	69	-5	2.18	4	16.03		51			2668
	Waynesburg	86		68	-5	1.27	4	14.09			1401	+135	2423
South Central		88		72	-2	0.71	2	15.40		37	1621	+273	2662
	Everett	87	48	66	-6	0.96	5	15.60		49		-33	2154
	Hanover	87	52	71	-5	0.91	4	16.34				-58	2580
	Harrisburg_AP	87	54	72	-5	1.25	3	17.59					2710
	South_Mountain	82		70	-4	0.76	4	17.43					2265
	York_AP	87	51	72	-4	0.49	4	14.26	-0.35	47		+16	2627
Southeast	Doylestown_AG	88		73	-4	1.56	3	16.96		39			2611
	Green_Lane	87	56	73	0	1.15	4	18.81	+4.65	40			2614
	Hamburg	84		71	-4	2.57	3	19.13		46			2543
	Lancaster_AP	85	54	72	-3	1.69	4	16.48		45			2632
	Neshaminy_Falls	86	59	73	-3	1.77	2	16.46		40			2694
	New_Holland	86		73	0	1.37	3	18.22	+2.51	43		+338	2737
	Philadelphia_AP	91	65	78	0	2.04	3	17.61	+4.12	35			3078
	Philadelphia_NE	91	61	77	+3	3.01	3	17.27	+0.94	42			3012
	Reading_AP	87	57	74	-2	1.39	4	18.08		45			2806
	Sellersville	88		72	-3	1.22	3	20.80			1443		2452

#### **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/FRANKLIN County, Thomas Kerr Have not seen much heat stress on the crops in the area. All crops are progressing well. Peaches are just beginning and crop looks great.

BEAVER County, Luke Fritz Wheat harvest is underway, good yields being reported.

CENTRE County, Dick A. Decker Crops look great. Field work continues on dry days. 1.8 inches of rainfall in my gage.

FOREST County, Tom Tanner Row crops are turning yellow. Very difficult to control weeds do to the wet conditions. JUNIATA/SNYDER County, William C. Sheaffer

Heavy rain at the beginning of the week slowed the wheat harvest that is near completion due to ideal conditions at the end of the week. Corn and soybeans are looking good, very little insect problems at this point. Third cutting of alfalfa is looking good. Oats is about to begin. Activities for the week were harvesting, baling and spraying.

MERCER County, Jim Rust

Saturday we received 1.2 inches of rainfall. Second cutting of hay is being held back due to the weather. Cold nights in the 40's last week slowed down corn growth. Local sweet corn harvest finally got under way this past week.

MONTGOMERY County, Andrew Frankenfield Welcome rains came last week, but not enough everywhere to keep the corn from curling by the weekend. Soybeans are being sprayed with their second application of herbicide. Earliest corn is now beginning to pollinate.

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