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# **Crop Progress & Condition**



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**Good Week for Field Work:** Pennsylvania had an average of 5.0 days suitable for field work last week. Corn and soybean harvests continue unimpeded in most districts while some are still holding off over concerns with moisture. Some rains today and more expected this time next week, but in between expect cool and sunny weather ranging from the low 30s to the upper 40s. Expected field activities for the week planting cover crops, baling corn fodder, hauling manure, mowing orchards and continued harvesting of corn and soybeans.

## PA Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 16th, 2014 (equal to 100%)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus		
Subsoil	3	11	74	12		
Topsoil	3	8	70	19		

## Crop Condition (in %):

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Quality of Hay Made	3	4	29	44	20
Soybeans	0	2	13	62	23

	Nov 16 <sup>th</sup>	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa 4 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	94	100	100
Apples Harvested	95	100	100
Barley Emerged	95	100	100
Corn Harvested for Grain	79	85	81
Fall Tillage	87	-	-
Soybeans Harvested	87	90	85
Winter Wheat Emerged	95	81	80

## Crop Progress (in %):

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		Last Week Weather Summary					Accumulation Since April 1, 2014						
												Base	Base
		T	emp	erati		Precipi	itation		cipita		50F		<b>40F</b>
Region	Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Northwest	Clarion	68	22	37	-2	0.15	2	36.96	+4.19	118	2315	+79	4283
	Erie	69	24	42	-3	1.80	5	27.94	-1.28	96	2901	+161	4944
	Franklin_AG	68	24	38	-5	0.28	4	40.89	10.16	119	2581	+91	4600
	Meadville-Port	67	23	38	-3	0.39	3	34.10	+4.08	113	2644	+338	4673
	Springboro	66	21	38	-3	0.59	5	38.41	10.40	114	2258	-73	4177
	Warren	67	24	39	-2	0.37	4	34.47	+3.62	109	2465	+85	4444
North Central	Bradford_Region	66	18	36	-2	0.27	4	33.35	+2.86	101	2011	+247	3892
	Coudersport_1SW	67	15	35	-4	0.12	3	33.83	+3.97	115	1933	+75	3746
	Kane	67	21	37	+1	0.25	3	40.30	+9.01	103	1872	+357	3717
	Laporte	57	19	36	-4	0.07	3	33.63	+6.37	98	1985	-36	3836
	Lock_Haven	67	22	39	-3	0.00	0	25.29	-3.51	88	2739	+102	4797
	Oswayo	66	14	36	-3	0.14	2	29.95	+1.45	94	1831	+23	3627
	Renovo	66	23	40	-2	0.01	1	26.78	-0.27	98	2674	+57	4742
	Ridgway	69	21	39	0	0.23	4	34.70	+4.39	113	2281	+378	4230
	Stevenson_Dam	70	21	37	-4	0.14	4	26.28	-3.04	95	2368	-18	4323
	Towanda	65	23	40	-2	0.02	1	21.18	-2.79	80			4422
	Wellsboro	61	18	36	-3	0.13	2	27.67	+3.63	101	1952	+119	3824
	Williamsport_AP	63	24	41	-1	0.00	0	25.48	-2.81	86			5256
Northeast	Hawley	61	18	37	-4	0.00	1	29.18		94			4098
srenedst	Milanville	63	20	38	-3	0.13	1	26.13	-1.82	82			4450
	Susquehanna	62	20	38	-2	0.13	1	25.17	-4.00	89		+159	4301
	Wilkes-Barre	64	26	42	-1	0.02	1	19.58	-6.76	79	3099	+415	5185
West Central	Butler	69	20	37	-4	0.05	2	33.02		107	2527	+190	4557
west central	New_Castle_Ag	69	25	41	-2	0.00	4	31.82		107	2901	+255	4974
	Slippery_Rock	67	23	38	-3	0.20	2	36.31	+7.24	109	2779		4835
Central		66	23	40		0.20	0	27.85	+7.24	89		+043	4833
Central	Altoona_AP		25				2						
	Du_Bois	68	-	38 41	-3	0.08		34.55		100		+326	4580
	Lewistown	66 64	25 27	41	-2	0.00	0	32.08 27.89		87	2987	+166	5118
	Middletown					0.01			+0.97	82		+310	5816
	Prince_Gallitzi	66	19	38	-3	0.03	1	26.28	-0.11	108			4414
	Selinsgrove_2S	64	22	39	-4	0.00	0	25.14	-3.55	80		+143	4930
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East Central	Allentown-Bethl	64	24	42	-2	0.23	1	27.56	-2.66	77	3283		5399
	Lehighton	61	23	40	-2	0.05	1	30.94	-2.47	93			4669
	Mt_Pocono	57	18	38	0	0.09	1	27.07	-5.46	83			4262
Southwest	Pittsburgh_Alle	70	22	40	-3	0.07	2	27.40		98			5475
	Chalk_Hill	70	12	34	-8	0.17	2	36.34		113	2310		4268
	Connellsville_A	73	21	40	-4	0.18	2	34.98					5098
	Indiana_3SE	71	21	39	-5	0.22	2		-1.63	115			4602
	Meyersdale	70	16		-6	0.01	1	27.06		102			4079
	Pittsburgh_Intl	70	22	40	-5	0.07	2						5252
	Waynesburg	72	19	38	-5	0.03	1	24.39		102			4833
South Central		66	25	41	-2	0.03	1	29.32					5330
	Everett	66	21	38	-4	0.00	0					-146	4403
	Hanover	69	20	41	-5	0.06	1	29.72		85	3027	-243	5156
	Harrisburg_AP	63	27	43	-3	0.01	1	27.84	+0.92	81	3381	+56	5556
	South_Mountain	64	20	38	-8	0.00	0	29.10	-3.23	85	2471	-594	4497
	York_AP	69	23	41	-4	0.08	1	26.47	-1.79	84	3152	-63	5282
Southeast	Doylestown_AG	67	24	43	-5	0.17	1	27.05	-4.21	70	3205	-265	5319
	Green_Lane	65	24	42	-3	0.20	1	28.28	-1.13	75	3187	+343	5305
	Hamburg	61	24	41	-3	0.12	1	32.78	+1.24	82	3056	+121	5164
	Lancaster_AP	63	24	42	-3	0.09	1	29.51	+0.23	82	3211	+103	5350
	Neshaminy_Falls	70	23	41	-5	0.30	3	29.21	-4.27	76	3331	+142	5461
	New_Holland	62	26	42	-3	0.50	2	33.75		83	3405	+590	5573
	Philadelphia_AP	70	32	48	0	0.16	1	28.74		66	4103	+381	6324
	Philadelphia_NE	72	28	47	+3	0.22	1	27.51	-5.97				6191
	Reading_AP	63	26		-3	0.09	1	28.40					5716
	Sellersville	68	22	41	-5	0.04	1	30.96					5007
	West_Chester	67	22		-5	0.16							5221

## November 16, 2014 Pennsylvania Weekly Weather Summary

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 Monday with 48 degrees and daytime 57 and nice for this time of year. Tuesday was 45 degrees and daytime ended up at 66 degrees with some sun and some clouds. Wednesday was 58 morning temperature and cloudy and warmed to 62 degrees during day. Thursday 1/2 inch of rain and 50 degrees morning and rainy most of day. Friday was windy and high 40's daytime and sun and clouds. Heavy frost on Saturday and Sunday was high 40's. Over all for this time of year still pretty decent weather and temperatures. Corn and soybeans continue to be harvested in the county and still a good amount yet to be harvested. Some stalks were affected from high winds a few days last week. Corn is finally drying down some with the help of the wind. Small grains and forage crops seeded earlier this fall are looking nice and some producers are still seeding some wheat after their corn/soybeans are harvested. Hay making is about complete for the year but a few acres may be made yet. Apple harvest is winding down with majority of producers finishing up. A good crop is being reported for the majority of the county. Vegetables are about done being harvested unless in a high tunnel with some temperature protection. Overall the producers are taking advantage to harvesting their crops when the conditions permit. Producers are reminded to report their small grains planted this fall and any hay they will harvest in 2015 crop year to the Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices before the November 17, 2014 deadline to avoid any late file fees.

#### **ADAMS/FRANKLIN County, Thomas Kerr**

Cold weather has arrived, but dry weather has allowed the completion of soybean harvest. Corn for grain harvesting is finishing up. Activities included planting cover crop, baling corn fodder, hauling manure, mowing orchards, and preparing for winter.

#### **BUCKS/MONTGOMERY Counties, Dr. Steve De Broux**

The growers are making unusually slow progress in the harvest of corn and beans. Are they opting for field-drying to save fuel costs?

## **CENTRE** County, Dick A. Decker

Good week for field work.

CLARION/FOREST/VENANGO County, Tom Tanner Harvesting soybeans and shelled corn.

## JUNIATA/SNYDER County, William C. Sheaffer

Harvesting of corn and soybeans continues, while a few made some late hay. Harvesting was the main field activity for the week.

#### **MERCER** County, Jim Rust

Area field corn growers are reporting far too many low test weights along with lower yields this year. Many corn fields still standing while the wait for moisture to drop. Changes in the jet stream and weather has ground soybean harvesting to a halt.

#### **MONTGOMERY** County, Andrew Frankenfield

Excellent weather early in the week to finish up harvesting most of the remaining soybeans in the field. First snow of the season came Thursday evening with around an inch of accumulation. Still some corn needs to be harvested. Some rye was planted as a cover crop then it turned cold, we'll see if it ever emerges before winter. Yields have been running around average for both corn and soybeans.

#### WESTMORELAND County, Thomas Sierzega

Winter has set in with first dusting of snow and temperatures in the 20's. Corn and soybean harvest in full swing. Dry conditions still persist.

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