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Pennsylvania Weekly Crop Weather – June 19th, 2016:

Pennsylvania had a good week for field activities with an average of 5.0 days suitable for field work. Temperatures were reported with a high of 91° (F), a low of 42° (F) and a state average temperature of 66° (F). A good week for field activities. Warmer and dry weather helping and catching up on the field works. There were 1.5 inches of rainfall in Mercer County. Hay Alfalfa first cutting is almost done and 2nd cutting is currently underway. Fuel prices jumped 20% the past month. Fertilizer side dressing of field corn is almost completed. Barley harvest under way and yields are normal or slightly above. Field activates, such as haymaking, planting and spraying, took place last week hindered only briefly by periods of brief wind and rain.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 19, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	2	17	73	8
SUBSOIL	0	11	83	6

Crop Conditions as of June 19, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Poor				
APPLES	0	0	1	99	0
BARLEY	0	2	16	71	11
CORN	0	2	22	63	13
HAY, ALFALFA	0	4	32	60	4
HAY, OTHER	0	12	27	46	15
OATS	2	5	22	62	9
PASTURE AND	6	5	20	52	17
RANGE					
PEACHES	0	0	48	52	0
SOYBEANS	0	2	16	62	20
WINTER	0	1	17	65	17
WHEAT					

Crop Progress as of June 19, 2016

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.	
BARLEY: COLORING	94	92	93	95	
BARLEY: MATURE	89	39	58	63	
BARLEY: HARVESTED	48	6	28	32	
CORN: EMERGED	95	88	99	91	
CORN AVERAGE HEIGHT: (IN.)	17	12	32	N/A	
HAY, ALFALFA: FIRST CUTTING	91	83	80	86	
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	14	N/A	15	13	
HAY, OTHER: FIRST CUTTING	78	66	58	68	
SOYBEANS: PLANTED	91	85	88	90	
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	84	70	85	77	
OATS: HEADED	81	68	50	50	
TOBACCO: TRANSPLANTED OR SET	88	78	85	90	
WINTER WHEAT: COLORING	81	56	59	67	
WINTER WHEAT: MATURE	6	0	<5	N/A	

June 19, 2016 Pennsylvania Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2016						
		Temperature			Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F		
Region	Station	Hi			DFN	Total	Days	Total	_				Total	
Northwest	Clarion	84	47	65	-1	2.34	2			45	588	+53	1233	
Northwest	Erie	86	50	67	-2	0.02	1	4.55	-4.96	-	675	+43	1305	
	Franklin AG	85	48	65	-2	1.59	1	10.51	-0.07	37	653	+59	1311	
	Meadville-Port	83	47	64	-2	0.37	2	7.21	-2.75	36	588	+54	1210	
	Springboro	85	43	64	-4	0.59	1	7.45	-2.27	39	520	-35	1111	
	Titusville	86	46	64	-1	1.31	2	9.70	-1.19	33	571	+93	1209	
	Warren	85	48	64	-3	0.71	1	11.39	+0.40	37	558	+3	1184	
North Central	Bradford_Region	83	42	62	-1	0.03	1	9.67	-1.35	37	465	+62	1060	
	Coudersport_1SW	84	42	61	-4	0.10	2	7.39	-3.15	42	390	-69	957	
	Kane	83	42	61	0	0.05	2	11.67	+0.43		374	+35	947	
	Laporte	80	46	62	-3	0.27	2		-2.30		480	+23	1064	
	Lock_Haven	88	50	67	-1	0.28	2		-2.54	36	749	+97	1425	
	Oswayo	85	40	61	-3	0.24	2	8.23	-1.53	42	391	-17	947	
	Renovo	86	49	65	-3	0.32	2	7.94	-1.83	39	642	-26	1313	
	Ridgway	84	44	63	-1	0.24	1	9.61	-1.31	39	526	+99	1160	
	Stevenson_Dam	84	47	63	-3	0.02	1	7.06	-3.17	31	527	-20	1157	
	Towanda	85	46	64	-4	0.25	1	6.89	-1.90		588	+13	1237	
	Wellsboro	85	45	61	-3	0.19	2	7.17	-1.34	38	453	+45	1036	
Nouth	Williamsport_AP	88	50	68	0	0.31	1	5.09	-5.03	32	838	+142	1544	
Northeast	Hawley Milanville	83 85	45	62	-3 -2	0.05	1	8.56 7.24	-1.95 -3.27	34 29	502 605	+40	1126	
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	Susquehanna Wilkes-Barre	84 87	45 50	63 67	-3 -2	0.10	2	8.05 6.50	-2.61 -3.01	35	535 775	+8	1168	
West Central	Butler	83	46	65	-2	0.08	2		-1.73	41	610	+53	1264	
west Central	New_Castle_Ag	90	47	68	+2	1.54	2	0.07	+0.44	41	783	+146	1466	
	Slippery_Rock	84	46	65	+1	1.22	2	7170	+0.44		611	+121	1263	
Central	Altoona_AP	83	50	67	-1	0.84	2		-2.03	41	749	+61	1435	
Contrar	Du_Bois	82	46	64	-2	0.36	1	10.26	-0.37	37	619	+75	1275	
	Elizabethville	84	52	66	-3	0.52	2	7.78	-2.68	38	650	-30	1320	
	Lewistown	87	55	69	+2	0.22	2	8.32	-2.02	43	799	+76	1490	
	Middletown	88	57	71	+1	0.19	2	7.09	-3.48	38	977	+107	1708	
	Prince_Gallitzi	84	49	65	-2	0.55	2	9.26	-0.04	44	649	+80	1297	
	Selinsgrove_2S	86	51	67	-2	0.41	2	7.07	-3.39	38	706	+26	1378	
	State_College_P	83	54	67	-1	0.40	2	7.22	-2.42	37	731	+83	1409	
East Central	Allentown-Bethl	88	50	69	+1	0.31	2	7.12	-3.41	35	877	+170	1599	
	Lehighton	84	49	66	-1	0.51	2	8.99	-2.84	37	694	+116	1373	
	Mt_Pocono	81	42	61	-3	0.15	2	7.96	-3.92	36	467	+97	1070	
Southwest	Pittsburgh_Alle	85	52	70	+4	1.80	3	11.60	+2.07	40	925	+294	1639	
	Connellsville_A	87	47	68		1.52	3				851	+149	1545	
	Indiana_3SE	84		66		1.42	2		-0.91	47	653	-2	1323	
	Meyersdale	83		65	+1	1.48	2		-1.39		551	+48	1191	
	Pittsburgh_Intl	87	50	71	+3	1.28	3						1665	
	Uniontown	84		68	-2	1.36	2		-0.83		823		1514	
0 10 1	Waynesburg	87	46	69		1.15	2		-0.69		783			
South Central	-	86		69	+1	1.02	2		-2.39		809	+119		
	Everett	83		67	0	0.76	2		-0.92		647	+30	1306	
	Hanover Harrisburg AP	87	52 56	69 71	-3	0.78	2			41	787 990		1493	
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	South_Mountain			66 69									1337	
Southeast	York_AP Doylestown_AG	87 85	52 52	69		0.03	1	8.19 7.19	-2.38 -3.72		830 811	-27 -98	153	
Southeast	Green_Lane	85		68		0.04	2		-3.72		797	-98 +95	150	
	Hamburg	86		68		0.09	2				791	+38		
	Lancaster_AP	85	52	69		1.06	2				823			
	Neshaminy_Falls	91	51	69	-3	0.02	1	8.80			822	+22	154	
	New_Holland	89	56	70		0.76	1		-1.67		872			
	Philadelphia_AP	90		71	-2	0.39	2				1045	+88		
	Philadelphia_NE	89		71	+1	0.08	2		-1.84					
	Reading_AP	87	53	70		0.44	2		-3.53		905	+91	1629	
	Sellersville	85	50	68		0.23	2				732		142	
	West_Chester	87		68		0.57	2						147	

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 in the 60's morning temperatures and sunny blue skies and into 70's daytime Monday and Tuesday. Wednesday was cloudy and 58 morning temperature and a few drops of rain morning 0.1" and 69 daytime and humid. Thursday morning 69 and humid and some rain 0.3". Friday was 70's and sunny and Saturday was sunny and 88 and Sunday was 90 and sunny. Corn planting is finished with some producers switching from corn to soybeans due to dates. Soybeans continue to be planted and now also being double-cropped after hay and barley. Corn and soybeans are emerging and could use some rain to bring them on more. Barley is being harvested and wheat will start harvest end of this week and then producers will double-crop soybeans into wheat stubbles. Hay continues to be made this past week and producers are very busy trying to make up time since it's later than normal for harvesting first crop mixed/timothy hay. Fruit crops are doing pretty good. Sweet cherries are being harvested where there is part of a crop. Yields not known yet for sweet and sour cherries due to this past spring's cold temperatures. Strawberries are about finished in the county. Other vegetables are growing and coming along well. Producers are busy with plenty of field work to do whether it's planting, harvesting, spraying etc. The soil moisture seems to disappear quickly once it does rain a little so producers are hoping the showers which have been sporadic around the county will continue to cover the county this summer.

ADAMS/FRANKLIN Counties, Thomas Kerr

Good week for hay making hay, Alfalfa 2nd cutting currently under way. Barley harvest under way and yields are normal or slightly above. Apple crop looks to have recovered from fears of great losses due to early freeze and now could be a sizable crop. Milk production remains normal for early summer.

JUNIATA/SNYDER Counties, William C. Sheaffer

A good week for many field activities. Poor stands are common with the soybeans and weeds are a problem in a few corn fields. Barley harvest and second cutting of alfalfa is beginning. Planting, spraying and haymaking were the main field activities for the week.

LANCASTER County, Jeff Graybill

Timely rains the end of last week have most crops looking very good. This year slug damage and cool wet growing conditions have made stands uneven in many fields, however overall we are looking pretty good. Barley harvest will wrap up this week and wheat harvest is beginning. Many farmers are busy side dressing corn and finishing second cutting of alfalfa.

MERCER County, James P. Rust

Excellent week for hay harvest. Rainfall on Thursday was 1.5 inches. Still rainfall for May and June is 5.0 inches below average. Fuel prices jumped 20% the past month. Fertilizer side dressing of field corn is almost completed. Strawberry production is excellent in yield and sugar content.

MONTGOMERY County, Andrew Frankenfield

Hot and dry weather continues. Thunderstorms missed our area on Thursday. First cutting grass hay is still being made, yield has been above average. Rain is needed as some corn is curling in the heat of the day.

WESTMORELAND County, Thomas Sierzega

Very wet with up and down temperatures. Night time temperatures dipped into the 30's and daytime temperatures ranged from the 50's to the 90's. Corn and beans progressing nicely. Hay making done in between showers.