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Pennsylvania Weekly Crop Weather – September 17th, 2017:

Pennsylvania had a good week for field activities with an average of 6.0 days suitable for field work. Temperatures were reported with a high of 88° (F), a low of 33° (F) and a state average temperature of 56° (F). Weather was mostly clear with warm temperatures. Peach harvests are nearly completed while Apples continue to be harvested progressively with good results. Field activities involved harvesting of apples, potatoes, pumpkins, corn for silage, and spraying.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending September 17, 2017

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	3	6	91	0
SUBSOIL	3	2	95	0

Crop Conditions as of September 17, 2017

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	0	0	10	52	38
CORN	0	1	8	47	44
HAY, ALFALFA	0	1	17	70	12
HAY, OTHER	0	1	19	69	11
OATS	0	4	16	77	3
PASTURE AND RANGE	0	5	24	62	9
SOYBEANS	0	0	7	54	39
WINTER WHEAT	0	0	9	87	4

Crop Progress as of September 17, 2017

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	62	53	60	56
BARLEY: PLANTED	27	15	11	26
CORN: DOUGH	91	79	96	94
CORN: DENTED	74	57	83	81
CORN: MATURE	34	16	37	40
CORN AVERAGE HEIGHT: (IN.)	106	105	N/A	N/A
FALL TILLAGE: PERCENT COMPLETE	21	17	17	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	89	86	94	93
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	45	34	59	62
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	95	93	N/A	N/A
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	74	71	N/A	N/A
OATS: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	90	89	95	98
PEACHES: HARVESTED	93	90	94	N/A
SOYBEANS: COLORING	19	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOBACCO: CUT	86	81	93	N/A

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September 17, 2017 Pennsylvania Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2017					
		Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
Region	Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Northwest	Clarion	79	39	62	+1	1.10	1	26.91	+1.50	82	2231	+166	3828
	Erie	80	48	64	0	0.11	2	23.64	+2.49	70	2437	-6	4030
	Franklin_AG	81	42	63	0	0.43	2	29.84	+5.84	75	2381	+113	3985
	Meadville-Port	80	43	64	+2	0.10	1	20.38	-2.23	72	2307	+205	3893
	Springboro	79	36	61	0	0.09	2	22.13	+0.98	85	2028	-113	3602
	Titusville	78	39	62	+2	1.40	2	27.43	+3.60	69	2142	+229	3736
Warren	80	42	63	+1	1.52	2	28.96	+5.38	83	2196	+29	3786	
North Central	Bradford_Region	78	33	60	+2	0.56	2	26.42	+2.95	85	1776	+122	3323
	Coudersport_1SW	79	37	61	+3	0.60	2	23.07	+0.19	91	1721	-16	3269
	Kane	77	34	59	+3	0.94	2	27.05	+3.04	76	1652	+212	3197
	Laporte	74	42	61	+1	0.03	1	31.23	+10.75	74	1794	-89	3353
	Lock_Haven	82	45	65	+2	0.22	2	28.30	+6.11	85	2589	+181	4228
	Oswayo	79	33	61	+3	0.66	2	20.24	-1.64	70	1613	-85	3150
	Renovo	80	45	64	+1	0.25	1	26.62	+5.98	88	2403	+16	4032
	Ridgway	79	40	63	+4	1.38	2	28.58	+5.06	76	2057	+286	3645
	Stevenson_Dam	80	42	63	+1	0.67	2	19.37	-3.04	59	2016	-171	3611
	Towanda	82	43	64	+2	0.18	2	21.28	+3.07	80	2383	+183	3997
	Wellsboro	79	37	61	+3	0.92	1	23.26	+4.74	83	1795	+90	3357
	Williamsport_AP	84	48	67	+3	0.14	2	28.02	+6.62	83	2803	+293	4456
Northeast	Hawley	75	39	62	+2	0.09	3	23.06	+1.86	82	2003	+92	3602
	Milanville	87	40	67	+7	0.10	3	20.13	-1.07	76	2201	+290	3808
	Pleasant_Mount	77	39	62	+6	0.04	2	30.08	+5.11	79	1780	+303	3321
	Wilkes-Barre/Sc	82	44	66	+3	0.00	0	21.69	+1.77	73	2641	+192	4274
West Central	Butler	81	39	61	-1	0.44	1	25.05	+2.29	85	2234	+92	3848
	New_Castle_Ag	82	42	64	0	0.37	2	23.12	+2.17	78	2637	+249	4276
	Slippery_Rock	80	46	63	+2	0.46	2	24.64	+1.95	71	2202	+247	3801
Central	Altoona_AP	80	41	63	0	0.08	2	22.00	+2.84	78	2516	+76	4156
	Du_Bois	79	43	63	+2	1.52	2	22.07	-0.52	82	2106	+43	3701
	Elizabethville	82	40	63	0	0.21	1	26.83	+5.04	71	2458	-28	4089
	Lewistown	80	44	65	+1	0.15	3	23.43	+2.16	84	2720	+159	4373
	Middletown	84	51	68	+1	0.04	2	25.46	+5.09	66	3158	+186	4829
	Prince_Gallitzi	79	39	63	+2	0.15	2	24.49	+4.12	95	2196	+53	3775
	Selinsgrove_2S	82	44	64	+1	0.02	1	25.14	+3.35	77	2580	+94	4216
	State_College_P	78	45	63	+1	0.10	4	22.87	+2.73	79	2490	+140	4128
East Central	Allentown-Bethl	86	45	68	+4	0.61	4	32.62	+9.58	71	2891	+324	4545
	Lehighton	82	43	65	+3	0.51	4	28.84	+3.65	85	2375	+138	4012
	Mt_Pocono	75	39	62	+4	0.24	4	24.44	+0.13	76	1780	+120	3343
Southwest	Pittsburgh_Alle	80	46	64	+1	0.23	2	33.88	+13.82	84	2753	+419	4397
	Connellsville_A	81	46	65	+1	0.33	2	31.88	+8.98	86	2756	+256	4393
	Grays_Landing	80	43	64	-2	0.62	2	31.15	+8.98	78	2602	-179	4240
	Indiana_3SE	79	41	63	0	1.34	1	34.40	+9.81	85	2328	-12	3947
	Meyersdale	78	37	60	-1	0.07	1	27.52	+5.24	85	1966	-18	3549
	Pittsburgh_Intl	81	48	65	0	0.10	1	21.96	+1.87	73	2759	+178	4399
	Waynesburg	80	42	63	0	0.38	2	31.02	+10.17	81	2527	+143	4155
South Central	Biglerville	82	47	66	+2	0.07	1	21.59	+0.02	60	2953	+408	4604
	Everett	79	39	62	-1	0.08	2	25.58	+5.97	72	2342	+44	3963
	Hanover	82	43	65	-1	0.05	2	23.87	+5.27	79	2862	-61	4512
	Harrisburg_AP	86	46	68	+1	0.06	2	21.53	+1.16	69	3199	+227	4869
	South_Mountain	82	46	65	0	0.07	1	27.33	+3.16	77	2395	-328	4011
	York_AP	84	42	65	-1	0.05	1	19.52	-1.90	68	2869	-1	4518
Southeast	Doylestown_AG	83	48	67	0	0.22	1	23.49	-0.45	73	3280	+214	4960
	Hamburg	82	48	67	+3	0.37	3	36.52	+12.76	78	2750	+78	4402
	Lancaster_AP	84	46	67	+1	0.16	1	21.95	+0.22	64	3041	+250	4700
	Neshaminy_Falls	86	47	70	+4	0.25	2	26.39	+0.51	57	2928	+76	4592
	New_Holland	84	47	69	+5	0.38	3	25.94	+2.26	64	3056	+527	4724
	Philadelphia_AP	87	55	72	+3	2.62	2	27.03	+5.98	61	3456	+208	5136
	Philadelphia_NE	88	52	72	+6	0.09	1	22.96	-2.92	58	3378	+526	5055
	Pottstown	82	45	66	+2	0.36	1	25.48	+3.20	67	2712	+147	4364
	Reading_AP	84	46	68	+2	0.72	2	28.58	+5.92	78	2997	+175	4654
	Sellersville	86	45	66	+1	0.21	1	25.83	+0.93	70	2721	+67	4370
	West_Chester	87	55	72	+6	0.58	2	25.66	+2.16	75	3329	+508	4977

Summary based on NWS preliminary data. DFN = Departure From Normal.
Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit.

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 on Monday 50 degrees and sunny and 75 degrees. Tuesday 58 morning cloudy with some sun mid 70's. Wednesday was 60 morning cloudy and misting then rainy in the morning but no accumulation then just cloudy and 66 daytime. Thursday morning 62 and cloudy and rainy but no accumulation cleared off mid-morning and then sunny and 78 degrees. Today is 55 and sunny this morning. Chance of showers next 3 days but warmer temperatures. Corn silage continues to be chopped where ready and other corn is drying down and will be harvested as grain in a few weeks. Soybeans continue to mature and some early varieties are being harvested and other soybeans are turning yellow and starting the process of drying down. Still a lot of green soybeans and pods are not too developed yet so hoping early frost does not occur. Hay continues to be made when conditions permit. Some field preparation for fall seeded small grains and cover crops being done. Peach harvest completed but some still available at fruit markets. Apples continue to be harvested and about 2 weeks earlier than usual. Some producers suffered hail damage from last week's strong winds, thunderstorms and hail which will cause change in markets from fresh to processing. Some varieties were being harvested that got hit that were to be Fresh market but has now changed. Vegetables continue to be harvested around the county but are coming to an end with cooler temperatures. Pumpkins seem to be a decent crop this year in the county. Overall the producers are keeping busy

readying harvesting equipment and field preparation. Producers are trying to get their crops to harvest without any additional damage from weather.

ADAMS/FANLIN Counties, Thomas Kerr

Corn silage harvest was the main activity this week. Tonnage is excellent. A few fields of high moisture grain was harvested. Soybeans turning none harvested yet.

CENTRE County, Dick A. Decker

Good week for early fall field work.

JUNIATA/SNYDER Counties, William C. Sheaffer

A good week for the crops. The corn and soybeans have matured and are developing nicely; however, there is some evidence of disease. Some late hay is being made. Main activities for the week were spraying, planting and corn silage harvesting.

LACKAWANNA County, Eric Johnson

With fall-like weather starting, corn is beginning to mature, hay and pasture growth are slowing down, and soybeans will soon begin to color.

UNION County, James C. Brubaker

Cut soybeans planted 4-26 yield 74 bpa. Topsoil getting dry.

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