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Pennsylvania Weekly Crop Weather July 8th, 2018:

Pennsylvania had a good week for field activities with an average of 5.5 days suitable for field work. Temperatures were reported with a high of 93° (F), a low of 52° (F) and a state average temperature of 75° (F). Hot weather good for hay. Finished with barley and started winter wheat. Corn is really growing, numerous fields now in silk.

Timely rains and warmer weather have encouraged good growth. Fruit crops continue to look ok. Cherries are being harvested but with current weather and temperatures conditions, quality will be affected. Growers are faced with wet weather and cloudiness and have to spray accordingly to protect against diseases etc.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending July 8, 2018

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	1	11	85	3
SUBSOIL	0	5	92	3

Crop Conditions as of July 8, 2018

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	0	0	5	59	36
CORN	1	4	24	58	13
HAY, ALFALFA	2	3	35	42	18
HAY, OTHER	1	2	33	58	6
OATS	0	7	23	62	8
PASTURE AND RANGE	0	5	27	63	5
PEACHES	0	0	5	70	25
SOYBEANS	0	3	24	68	5
WINTER WHEAT	1	9	26	55	9

Crop Progress as of July 8, 2018

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
BARLEY: MATURE	95	94	89	N/A
BARLEY: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	88	80	86	82
CORN: EMERGED	97	94	100	100
CORN: SILKING	13	<5	5	9
CORN AVERAGE HEIGHT: (IN.)	46	33	56	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: FIRST CUTTING	95	89	95	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	47	25	58	53
HAY, OTHER: FIRST CUTTING	85	79	92	86
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	18	6	31	19
OATS: HEADED	81	72	89	86
OATS: COLORING	29	20	45	38
SOYBEANS: PLANTED	93	92	97	N/A
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	86	85	94	N/A
WINTER WHEAT: COLORING	93	87	91	N/A
WINTER WHEAT: MATURE	82	18	73	68
WINTER WHEAT: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	27	0	43	N/A

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July 8, 2018 Pennsylvania Weekly Weather Summary

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		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2018					
		Temperature			Precipitation			Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
Region	Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Northwest	CLARION 3 SW	93	49	74	+6	3.36	4	15.31	+1.20	37	865	-15	1447
	ERIE INTL AP	89	59	77	+6	0.31	2	15.88	+4.49	59	1289	+266	2067
	FRANKLIN	93	51	75	+5	1.30	3	18.89	+5.11	52	1241	+257	2034
	MEADVILLE PORT	89	53	72	+2	3.10	5	19.37	+6.74	68	1180	+204	1960
	SPRINGBORO 3 WN	90	50	75	+6	0.86	3	17.34	+4.60	55	1058	+200	1802
	TITUSVILLE WATE	91	39	72	+4	1.17	3	17.08	+3.28	49	988	+139	1764
	WARREN	92	51	74	+5	0.73	3	13.09	-1.19	48	1108	+176	1880
North Central	BRADFORD REGION	85	43	68	+3	0.70	5	13.84	+0.13	62	940	+260	1710
	CANTON	91	45	74	+6	0.14	2	11.58	-0.57	46	960	+126	1705
	COUDERSPORT 1 S	91	43	71	+4	3.14	4	15.18	+2.94	58	858	+46	1616
	KANE INNE	88	42	70	+4	1.11	4	16.46	+2.45	53	866	+181	1624
	LAPORTE	89	50	72	+4	2.95	3	17.87	+4.68	50	929	+108	1702
	LOCK HAVEN SEWA	95	51	77	+5	0.22	3	14.03	+1.57	42	1268	+152	2072
	OSWAYO 1 ENE	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	11.39	-1.61	47	648	-74	1294
	RENOVO	93	51	74	+3	0.90	3	16.33	+4.24	51	1180	+102	1988
	RIDGWAY	90	47	73	+7	2.03	4	14.96	+1.06	53	1101	+340	1886
	STEVENSON DAM	91	48	73	+3	2.28	3	15.28	+2.71	54	987	+5	1739
	WELLSBORO 4 SW	90	46	71	+5	0.70	3	11.31	-0.31	46	794	+48	1482
	WILLIAMSPORT RE	95	53	75	+2	3.79	5	19.16	+7.32	58	1352	+204	2202
	Northeast	MILANVILLE	93	47	75	+4	0.62	2	10.84	-4.76	43	1019	0
PLEASANT MOUNT		91	43	71	+5	0.39	2	10.64	-4.29	36	774	+93	1447
PROMPTON DAM		97	47	76	+10	0.02	2	11.68	-3.25	30	735	+54	1226
WILKES-BARRE SC		95	51	75	+4	1.15	2	14.37	+2.59	60	1271	+214	2104
West Central	BUTLER 2 SW	92	49	74	+4	1.28	3	14.49	+1.62	60	1131	+156	1911
	NEW CASTLE	94	51	74	+2	0.14	1	17.95	+5.82	57	1361	+288	2182
	SLIPPERY ROCK 1	91	49	73	+2	1.63	4	16.15	+2.40	53	1156	+128	1943
Central	ALTOONA BLAIR C	94	54	74	+4	2.30	3	20.30	+9.07	61	1451	+422	2300
	DEHART DAM	94	50	75	+4	0.97	3	19.60	+4.84	39	1120	+22	1906
	DUBOIS JEFFERSO	85	50	70	+2	2.76	5	21.00	+7.30	67	1141	+252	1937
	LEWISTOWN	96	52	78	+5	0.42	4	15.68	+3.06	57	1335	+150	2171
	MIDDLETON	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	PRINCE GALLITZI	92	47	74	+6	0.84	4	16.89	+4.97	60	1168	+289	1949
	SELINGROVE 2 S	96	51	77	+5	0.00	0	12.84	+0.02	43	1259	+121	2072
	STATE COLLEGE	91	53	75	+3	1.65	4	15.08	+3.42	56	1250	+109	2062
East Central	ALLENTOWN LEHIG	97	54	79	+6	0.72	4	12.65	-0.58	54	1486	+318	2365
	LEHIGHTON 1SSW	92	51	75	+2	0.12	2	18.35	+4.18	49	1048	-104	1842
	MOUNT POCONO PO	87	47	69	+1	0.65	4	20.59	+6.86	62	886	+81	1660
Southwest	CONNELLSVILLE 2	94	52	76	+4	1.00	3	18.35	+3.98	58	1436	+122	2262
	GRAYS LANDING	94	55	78	+5	0.08	2	18.29	+5.80	45	1284	+107	2088
	INDIANA 3 SE	94	50	74	+5	1.10	5	17.91	+3.88	54	1162	+154	1932
	MEYERSDALE 2 SS	87	46	71	+3	1.92	3	18.55	+6.36	55	1020	+208	1780
	PITTSBURGH ALLE	92	56	74	+2	0.13	2	22.62	+10.45	59	1462	+226	2308
	PITTSBURGH ASOS	93	55	76	+4	1.69	3	19.85	+7.47	57	1523	+323	2377
	WAYNESBURG 1 E	92	53	74	+3	0.00	0	14.19	+1.88	41	1102	+4	1792
South Central	BIGLERVILLE	97	54	79	+4	0.18	2	13.33	+0.47	38	1370	+102	2192
	EVERETT	91	44	74	+3	1.77	3	19.80	+7.46	48	1178	+181	1992
	HANOVER 4 SW	95	52	78	+4	0.47	3	14.70	+2.66	43	1398	+130	2242
	MIDDLETOWN HARR	96	59	78	+2	1.17	3	17.41	+5.78	58	1564	+206	2443
	SOUTH MOUNTAIN	90	49	74	+4	0.00	0	14.44	+0.44	38	1057	+21	1782
	YORK AIRPORT	94	53	76	+3	0.68	4	16.47	+4.92	55	1416	+175	2284
Southeast	DOYLESTOWN AIRP	94	54	76	+2	0.62	5	19.41	+5.15	51	1371	+133	2236
	HAMBURG	95	55	78	+2	0.39	1	17.47	+3.35	45	1255	-139	2052
	LANCASTER AIRPO	96	54	79	+5	0.96	4	16.39	+3.84	55	1518	+272	2400
	MUIR AAF	96	52	75	+3	1.66	5	19.72	+4.96	53	1352	+253	2214
	NESHAMINY FALLS	98	57	79	+4	0.17	2	13.61	-0.71	35	1438	+124	2304
	NEW HOLLAND 2 S	95	57	79	+4	0.24	2	11.25	-1.47	41	1350	-20	2175
	PHILADELPHIA FR	101	63	84	+5	1.02	2	16.87	+2.88	35	1709	+55	2603
	PHILADELPHIA NE	98	58	80	+4	0.72	2	17.05	+3.33	45	1684	+290	2606
	PHOENIXVILLE 1	100	55	80	+5	1.69	3	18.11	+6.13	33	1378	+93	2186
	POTTSTOWN LIMER	93	53	75	+1	1.24	4	20.29	+6.93	55	1312	+70	2179
	READING SPAATZ	96	56	79	+4	1.29	4	14.55	+1.65	56	1517	+227	2394
	SELLERSVILLE	95	53	77	+5	0.90	2	17.26	+3.20	46	1153	+6	1960

Summary based on NOAA Regional Climate Centers (RCCs) data. DFN = departure from normal.
 Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. Climate normals used are for the 1981-2010 period.

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 had a hot and humid week. Monday thru Wed were 70 morning temps and into the 90's. Monday and Tuesday clear blue skies. Wednesday had thunderstorms throughout the county. Some more rain in areas than others and strong lightning. Some places hardly got any rain with others getting 2 inches etc. Thursday another shower came through county for some areas and others nothing. Today cloudy with some rain showers. Corn continued to be planted thru the 4th and also soybeans are still being planted. Wheat has been started to be harvested but wet weather again has fieldwork delayed or this year. Hay continues to be made when weather permits. Fruit crops continue to look ok. Cherries are being harvested but with current weather and temperatures conditions quality will be affected. Growers are faced with wet weather and cloudiness and have to spray accordingly to protect against diseases etc. Deadline to report acreages for corn and soybeans is July 16th at your FSA offices. Please call ahead for appointments as they are really busy. Overall producers busy trying to get caught up from late spring and weather conditions.

ADAMS/FRANKLIN County, Thomas Kerr

Hot weather good for hay making but in between cuttings of alfalfa so not much made. Finished with barley and yields were very disappointing. Started winter wheat and it is looking like it will be less than normal as well. Corn is really growing, numerous fields now in silk. Sour cherries are being harvested now and again yields very across the county but it will be lighter than usual. Peaches and apples are growing nicely.

CENTRE County, Dick A. Decker

Crop conditions good to excellent. Timely rains and warmer weather have encouraged good growth. Double crop soybeans are out of the ground. 1/2" rainfall for the week.

COLUMBIA County, John O. Yocum

Area received from 0 to over 2" of rain in spotty storms. Hot weather made corn grow rapidly, wheat matured fast. With plants growing rapidly and the low humidity plus wind, the soil is drying out rapidly.

Dauphin/Perry Counties, Liz Bosak

Corn heights range from one to six feet and soybean stages also have a wide range from three trifoliate to full bloom. Maretail plants that escaped herbicide applications are over two feet tall. Pokeweed and volunteer corn are above the soybean canopy in some fields. Poison hemlock, mainly in ditches and field edges, has flowered. Two weeds that are commonly confused with poison hemlock- queen anne's lace and wild parsnip are now in bloom. Striped and spotted cucumber beetles are active in cucurbit fields. Japanese beetles and grasshoppers are in soybean fields but damage remains minimal.

INDIANA County, J. Scott Overdorff

Pretty decent week last week. It was hot and humid though. It made the corn and soy beans grow. Made some hay last Monday. I forgot to report last week though. Thing look pretty good form make some hay this week. Hope everyone has a safe farming week.

JUNIATA/SNYDER Counties, William C. Sheaffer


Wheat harvest has begun with the yields being somewhat favorable; however, the quality is in question. During this past week, the corn has made tremendous progress thanks to the heat and ample moisture. Main activities for the week were, planting, spraying, and harvesting.

LACKAWANNA County, Eric Johnson

With warm, moist conditions, corn is thriving. Farms are taking advantage of relatively dry weather to finish the last of their first cut dry hay.

SOMERSET County, Dale Kriner

There were localized severe storms all around the county last week. Had a report of 1.25 inches of rain in 45 minutes. The same farmer was cleaning up debris from a lightning struck tree and found a pile of ashes, apparently all that remained from a round bale that had been struck also.



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