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Pennsylvania Weekly Crop Weather Oct 15th, 2018:

Pennsylvania had a fair week for field activities with an average of 3.5 days suitable for field work. Temperatures were reported with a high of 89° (F), a low of 27° (F) and a state average temperature of 63° (F). Cool weather and occasional rain allowed for fieldwork but did little to help fields dry. Little to no progress was made with hay due to lack of sunshine. Grain corn has been slow to dry and yields have been lackluster. Soybeans continue to suffer from disease and mold with very little progress made in terms of harvesting. Apple harvests continue as do concerns regarding shelf-life due to the high moisture content caused by wet weather. Field activities were limited by rain but consisted of cutting corn for grain and silage and planting fall crops.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending October 14, 2018

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	0	0	67	33
SUBSOIL	0	0	64	36

Crop Conditions as of October 14, 2018

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN	1	4	20	49	26
PASTURE AND RANGE	0	8	27	59	6
SOYBEANS	1	4	20	48	27

Crop Progress as of October 14, 2018

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	81	68	83	83
BARLEY: PLANTED	75	55	85	84
BARLEY: EMERGED	55	36	65	61
CORN: MATURE	91	82	83	89
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	26	21	29	35
CORN FOR SILAGE: HARVESTED	90	86	N/A	N/A
FALL TILLAGE: PERCENT COMPLETE	42	35	54	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	86	85	96	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	36	35	82	86
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	92	91	N/A	N/A
POTATOES: HARVESTED	58	49	N/A	N/A
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	17	11	25	35
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	48	35	46	63
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	33	14	N/A	N/A

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October 14, 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	83	43	66	+16	0.24	2	31.27	+2.81	72	2190	-72	3482
	ERIE INTL AP	89	42	63	+8	1.26	3	27.79	+3.65	96	3406	+732	5159
	FRANKLIN	85	38	63	+11	0.33	3	33.08	+5.52	88	3140	+642	4890
	MEADVILLE PORT	83	37	59	+7	0.33	4	31.03	+4.45	112	2944	+490	4686
	SPRINGBORO 3 WN	84	38	60	+9	0.68	4	32.87	+5.23	100	2740	+519	4450
	TITUSVILLE WATE	82	36	58	+8	0.59	5	29.28	+1.83	81	2613	+443	4334
	WARREN	84	38	65	+13	0.42	4	26.84	-1.23	91	2954	+550	4668
North Central	BRADFORD REGION	80	33	57	+9	0.34	4	31.51	+5.00	108	2415	+691	4144
	CANTON	78	35	61	+11	1.41	4	40.71	+16.62	94	2592	+490	4288
	COUDERSPORT 1 S	80	33	60	+10	0.82	4	36.98	+12.06	114	2395	+352	4118
	KANE INNE	80	33	58	+11	0.50	5	33.23	+5.57	103	2328	+558	4046
	LAPORTE	75	35	59	+10	1.14	4	51.84	+23.27	104	2427	+354	4162
	LOCK HAVEN SEWA	83	37	64	+11	0.77	4	39.38	+14.25	84	3258	+490	5037
	RENOVO	82	39	63	+10	1.05	4	39.87	+15.89	103	3026	+342	4798
	RIDGWAY	83	36	62	+13	0.26	2	31.08	+4.31	97	2780	+797	4482
	STEVENSON DAM	80	36	61	+9	1.16	4	36.02	+10.81	102	2592	+64	4274
	WELLSBORO 4 SW	77	35	60	+11	1.38	5	35.71	+12.95	94	2290	+378	3948
	WILLIAMSPORT RE	82	39	63	+9	0.74	2	51.18	+26.36	110	3400	+584	5226
Northeast	MILANVILLE	81	35	61	+8	1.78	4	35.06	+2.87	93	2629	+94	4266
	PLEASANT MOUNT	76	33	56	+8	0.76	5	33.29	+3.81	79	2178	+400	3728
	PROMPTON DAM	79	49	65	+18	1.44	2	36.97	+7.49	71	2150	+373	3380
	WILKES-BARRE SC	80	38	61	+8	2.26	2	41.54	+17.77	109	3211	+600	5016
West Central	BUTLER 2 SW	84	35	62	+10	0.33	3	30.08	+5.17	102	2814	+356	4508
	NEW CASTLE	86	37	60	+6	0.08	5	27.10	+2.99	103	3324	+608	5115
	SLIPPERY ROCK 1	84	35	62	+9	0.42	4	32.76	+6.53	99	2928	+352	4680
Central	ALTOONA BLAIR C	82	41	62	+9	0.87	3	40.63	+19.34	112	3470	+934	5292
	DEHART DAM	83	38	65	+11	1.84	3	55.18	+25.45	79	3017	+290	4760
	DUBOIS JEFFERSO	80	35	58	+7	0.53	4	43.42	+17.51	119	2796	+580	4554
	LEWISTOWN	87	41	66	+12	1.36	4	37.01	+12.47	109	3424	+516	5240
	MIDDLETOWN HARR	83	44	65	+9	0.83	2	41.45	+17.44	100	3832	+548	5689
	PRINCE GALLITZI	84	27	62	+12	0.86	4	41.46	+17.89	118	3008	+808	4752
	SELINSGROVE 2 S	83	41	65	+12	1.40	4	39.32	+14.09	90	3244	+424	5035
	STATE COLLEGE	83	40	64	+11	0.74	4	41.18	+18.07	109	3143	+389	4926
East Central	ALLENTOWN LEHIG	83	41	64	+10	1.60	2	40.89	+13.68	100	3736	+843	5594
	LEHIGHTON 1SSW	77	38	62	+8	1.67	4	45.87	+17.51	102	2851	+35	4601
	MOUNT POCONO PO	75	32	56	+6	2.61	2	53.03	+23.74	112	2372	+316	4105
Southwest	CONNELLSVILLE 2	87	42	65	+8	1.09	4	42.74	+15.67	102	3518	+310	5298
	GRAYS LANDING	85	42	64	+9	0.74	3	39.70	+17.16	87	3248	+316	4994
	INDIANA 3 SE	86	41	68	+15	1.20	3	43.31	+16.21	103	2868	+338	4518
	MEYERSDALE 2 SS	83	38	60	+10	1.82	4	40.81	+17.87	111	2638	+544	4362
	PITTSBURGH ALLE	84	40	61	+6	0.35	4	45.81	+22.72	109	3502	+529	5318
	PITTSBURGH ASOS	85	39	60	+6	0.30	5	37.33	+14.53	100	3568	+658	5391
	WAYNESBURG 1 E	85	42	62	+8	0.48	4	30.41	+6.95	77	2882	+174	4466
South Central	BIGLERVILLE	83	41	65	+9	0.95	1	36.89	+11.85	74	3520	+390	5300
	CARLISLE WATER	87	40	67	+11	1.20	4	39.66	+13.79	92	3354	+305	5154
	EVERETT	86	40	64	+12	1.48	4	40.74	+17.82	96	3034	+496	4826
	HANOVER 4 SW	86	40	67	+12	0.46	4	38.72	+13.86	87	3557	+498	5379
	SOUTH MOUNTAIN	81	42	67	+14	0.53	2	35.20	+8.56	81	2666	+96	4239
	YORK AIRPORT	83	41	64	+9	0.61	3	41.93	+17.94	98	3518	+510	5362
Southeast	DOYLESTOWN AIRP	82	41	64	+9	1.43	6	40.75	+10.90	101	3562	+500	5396
	HAMBURG	82	42	65	+7	1.28	5	42.81	+15.05	91	3255	-113	4981
	LANCASTER AIRPO	82	42	65	+10	0.58	3	42.68	+17.38	100	3792	+742	5652
	MUIR AAF	80	41	63	+9	0.91	3	51.11	+21.38	99	3440	+713	5278
	NESHAMINY FALLS	85	40	64	+8	1.50	5	35.17	+6.71	79	3643	+380	5458
	NEW HOLLAND 2 S	82	42	65	+8	1.75	4	36.16	+10.38	88	3575	+239	5367
	PHILADELPHIA FR	85	47	68	+8	1.89	4	39.22	+11.34	81	4297	+352	6141
	PHILADELPHIA NE	85	45	67	+10	1.41	4	38.25	+10.41	92	4254	+821	6155
	PHOENIXVILLE 1	82	41	63	+7	0.56	3	44.30	+19.51	76	3755	+599	5550
	POTTSTOWN LIMER	81	39	63	+7	0.98	3	51.65	+23.69	107	3366	+296	5207
	READING SPAATZ	83	41	65	+9	0.47	3	44.39	+18.32	106	3748	+614	5604
	SELLERSVILLE	82	37	65	+11	0.99	5	41.73	+13.12	93	3268	+405	5050

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 started the week out sunny and 80's and humid. Tuesday was 71 morning and cloudy but got into the 80's. Wednesday was 71 morning sunny and into the 80's. Thursday 73 morning and most places got an inch of rainfall. Friday was 60's and cloudy. Saturday morning was mid 40's and daytime was low 50's and windy with some rain morning hours. Sunday started 42 degrees and 48 daytime and some showers to dampen things and cloudy. Corn and soybeans continue to mature and be harvested as field conditions permit. Still a lot of green corn and soybeans around the county and producers hoping that they have some more time before frost occurs. Some grain sorghum also is pretty green to be harvested when dryer. Not much small grains has been planted as harvest has been slow due to rainy weather and wet field conditions. Doesn't look like a lot will get planted before end of October. No hay was made as not enough sunshine. Apple harvest continues however quality issues due to this summer/fall wet weather conditions and issues with how apples will be when stored as they are breaking down already. This isn't good as fresh market apples are paid how they pack out so anything that isn't marketable doesn't compensated for. Producers are trying to get done what they can when weather permits. They are trying to beat the frost that will soon be coming.

ADAMS/FRANKLIN County, Thomas Kerr

Corn harvest for grain under way, but yields not exceptional and moisture still high. With silage done and silos filled with hay and silage, lots of high moisture grain is being bagged or fields are being left to dry down naturally. Soybean harvest is expected to start soon. Producers are concerned that their apples will not store well due to wet weather. Harvest about 75% done.

CENTRE County, Dick A. Decker

Continued showers made field work difficult during the week. 1 inch of rainfall for the week.

COLUMBIA County, John O Yocum

Received heavy rain on Thursday. Wet fields hamper harvest and other field work.

DAUPHIN/PERRY County, Liz Bozak

Heavy rainfall later this week stalled most field activities across Dauphin and Perry counties. Soybean sprouting and disease issues can be severe in some fields. Early planted soybeans seem to be most affected. Corn sprouting in the ear and ear rots are also a concern. Some winter wheat fields have been planted including fields with standing poor quality soybeans.

JUNIATA/SNYDER Counties, William C. Sheaffer

Another week of significant rainfall that limited the field activities. At the beginning of the week, there was chopping corn silage, seeding winter grain and a small amount of corn harvest.

LACKAWANNA County, Eric Johnson

Continued wet weather has plagued the area. Dry hay making is likely over for the season, with many farms still hoping to make silage and green bales if conditions allow. Most farms are turning attention to corn, hoping for a break in the weather to harvest corn silage and plant fall cover crops. With potential frosts in the forecast, corn will dry down rapidly over the next week.

LANCASTER County, Jeff Graybill

The weather continues to keep many farmers out of the fields. Very few soybeans were harvested last week and many that were had significant amounts of moldy beans and/or purple seed staining. Corn yields and quality seem to be better, but slow drydown and poor weather mean that a lot of corn is still standing. Farmers are behind on planting wheat, barley and cover crops.

MERCER County, James P. Rust

Another 1.9 inches of rainfall this past week. Soybean harvesting at a standstill. Few combines working in corn fields. We put all of our hay machines in storage