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OHIO CROP WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the State was 70.5 degrees, 10.1 degrees above normal for the week ending Sunday, September 26, 2010. Precipitation averaged 0.14 inches, 0.62 inches below normal. There were 127 modified growing degree days, 42 days above normal.

Reporters rated 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven-day period ending Friday, September 24, 2010. Topsoil moisture was rated 44 percent very short, 37 percent short, 19 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork

	Current Week	Previous Week	Since 1st week of April
	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>
2010	6.4	6.1	119.7
2009	5.1	6.7	109.9
2005-09 Avg.	5.6	6.1	120.0

Topsoil Moisture

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Current Week	44	37	19	0
Last Week.....	41	38	21	0
Same Week Last Year	12	23	61	4
2005-09 Average	14	24	55	7

FIELD ACTIVITIES AND CROP PROGRESS WEEK ENDING SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 26, 2010

This week has been unseasonably hot and dry throughout the state. Producer's main activities for the week were planting of winter wheat and harvest of corn and soybeans. Tobacco producers report that 95% of the tobacco crop is in the barn. Excessive hot and dry weather has caused the crop to dry rather than cure. Southern livestock producers report that they have begun feeding winter hay stocks, due to poor pasture conditions.

As of Sunday September 26, 85 percent of **corn** was mature, compared to 23 percent last year and 52 percent for the five-year average. Twenty-four percent of corn for grain has been harvested in the State, compared to 1 percent last year and 5 percent for the five-year average. Corn silage was 95 percent harvested, compared to 66 percent last year and 80 percent for the five-year average. Eighty-eight percent of **soybeans** were dropping leaves, compared to 73 percent last year and 80 percent for the five-year average. Soybeans were 66 percent mature, which was 40 percent ahead of last year and 29 percent ahead of the five-year average. Soybeans harvested were reported at 29 percent, up 24 percent from last year and up 20 percent for the five-year average. **Winter Wheat** planted was at 8 percent, compared to one percent last year and five percent for the five-year average. The 4th cutting of **alfalfa hay** was 77 percent complete, compared to 54 percent last year and 65 percent for the five-year average. The 3rd cutting of **other hay** was 92 percent complete, 21 percent ahead of last year and 10 percent ahead of the five-year average. Fifty-four percent of **fall and winter apples** were harvested, up 10 percent from last year and up 15 percent from the five-year average. **Grapes** harvested were 66 percent, compared to 58 and 51 percent for the previous year and five-year average, respectively. **Potatoes** were 85 percent harvested, compared to 69 percent last year and 74 percent for the five-year average. **Processing tomatoes** were 82 percent harvested, 14 percent ahead of last year and 5 percent ahead of the five-year average.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Eighty percent of **livestock** were in fair-to-good condition, down three percent from last week. **Apples** were rated 79 percent in fair-to-good condition, unchanged from last week. **Pasture and range** were rated 58 percent in fair-to-good condition, up two percent from last week. Seventy-one percent of **corn** was rated in fair-to-good condition, down two percent from last week. **Soybeans** were rated 74 percent in fair-to-good condition, down 2 percent from last week.

PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Crop	2010	2009	2005-2009 Average	Previous Week	
				Ohio	U.S.
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Alfalfa Hay 4th Cutting	77	54	65	69	NA
Apples Harvested (Fall & Winter)	54	44	39	37	NA
Corn Mature	85	23	52	72	69
Corn Silage Harvested	95	66	80	91	NA
Corn Harvested for Grain	24	1	5	11	18
Grapes Harvested	66	58	51	57	NA
Other Hay 3rd Cutting	92	71	82	88	NA
Potatoes Harvested	85	69	74	79	NA
Processing Tomatoes Harvested	82	68	77	77	NA
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	88	73	80	78	60
Soybeans Mature	66	26	37	42	NA
Soybeans Harvested	29	5	9	11	8
Winter Wheat Planted	8	1	5	2	18

PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 26

		Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
APPLES	Current Week.....	2	5	17	62	14
	Previous Week.....	4	4	21	58	13
CORN	Current Week.....	2	9	25	46	18
	Previous Week.....	2	9	26	47	16
	Previous Year.....	1	5	22	50	22
LIVESTOCK	Current Week.....	1	4	22	58	15
	Previous Week.....	0	3	23	60	14
	Previous Year.....	1	1	15	68	15
PASTURE	Current Week.....	12	26	39	19	4
	Previous Week.....	14	25	32	24	5
	Previous Year.....	4	9	34	44	9
SOYBEANS	Current Week.....	1	9	30	44	16
	Previous Week.....	1	8	30	46	15
	Previous Year.....	1	5	27	53	14

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Region	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days ¹			
	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.
	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Days</i>
Northwest	69.6	10.2	0.12	-0.50	21.61	1.12	113	33	3,298	461
North Central	69.9	10.4	0.08	-0.60	20.97	-0.15	115	36	3,302	507
Northeast	67.8	9.2	0.07	-0.82	19.56	-2.61	107	31	3,070	435
West Central	70.8	10.4	0.28	-0.38	20.66	-1.30	134	48	3,441	486
Central	70.9	10.1	0.24	-0.47	21.62	-0.73	140	51	3,511	527
Central Hills	69.8	10.6	0.08	-0.66	20.89	-1.56	119	40	3,257	486
Northeast Hills	68.8	9.0	0.06	-0.72	19.70	-2.61	111	29	3,249	439
Southwest	73.1	11.5	0.17	-0.62	20.38	-2.84	152	60	3,641	526
South Central	72.5	10.3	0.14	-0.75	24.61	2.47	135	39	3,627	474
Southeast	70.4	9.5	0.14	-0.70	21.44	-0.97	134	45	3,457	486
STATE	70.5	10.1	0.14	-0.62	21.22	-0.85	127	42	3,401	484

¹ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86

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