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For the Week Ending August 12, 2018

WEATHER CONDITIONS MOSTLY VARIABLE LAST WEEK

Spotty yet substantial showers were prominent across the State last week. These rains improved pasture conditions and at the same time kept some producers from making additional hay cuttings. In East Tennessee, tomatoes and other vegetables were stressed and made more susceptible to disease because of wet weather. There were 5.1 days suitable for field work. Both topsoil and subsoil moisture improved from last week. Topsoil moisture rated 6 percent very short, 23 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 6 percent very short, 26 percent short, 63 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Стор	This Week	Last Week	2017	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent									
Corn – Silking	100	98	100	99	Corn	3	5	24	50	18
Corn – Dough Stage	94	88	89	88	Tobacco	0	1	14	79	6
Corn - Dented	56	24	49	46	Cotton	3	6	17	51	23
Cotton – Squaring	100	100	99	97	Pasture	1	13	31	44	11
Cotton – Setting Bolls	93	85	91	82	Soybeans	2	5	24	53	16
Cotton – Bolls Opening	8	0	3	3						
Soybeans – Blooming	93	89	92	85						
Soybeans – Setting Pods	78	68	77	66						
Tobacco – Topped	78	61	76	68						

County Agent Comments

The farmers in Fayette Co. have had a good week spraying for pests. Some rain fell in spots but we are dry.

Crops look good and look early.

Jeff Via, Fayette County

Scattered thunderstorms left varying amounts of precipitation across the county this week. Amounts of 0.25" up to 2.00" were reported and will greatly help the soybean crop. Rainfall came too late to be of much help to the corn crop that has developed rapidly due to high temperatures and limited rainfall. Weed control and fungicide applications in soybeans have been the main activities for producers this week.

Jeff Lannom, Weakley County

We got some much needed rain this week from two to 4 inches. Some corn beginning to turn brown at bottom.

Second cutting of hay is coming along well and almost over.

Larry Moorehead, Moore County

Scattered rainfall throughout the Nashville area the last part of the week has helped to restore the topsoil and subsoil moisture levels.

David Cook, Davidson County

Rain dominated much of the week, aiding crop and pasture growth. Corn and soybeans are progressing nicely with some corn in the dent stage, but beans a little further behind than originally reported. On site pasture visits showed fields to be in very good shape for this time of year, especially those that were fertilized according to soil tests. All in all, in pretty good shape. You all have a great week!

Matthew Deist, Marion County

1.1 inches of rain so far this week. Some second cuttings of hay went up early in week. Corn and beans look great

John Goddard, Loudon County

We had a real mixed bag of weather this week. Some parts of the county received nearly 4 inches of rainfall. Others received less than 1/2 inch, which is very typical for this time of the year.

Ronnie Barron, Cheatham County

A very hot and dry week took its toll on all crops. Pastures and late beans are in desperate need of a rain.

Calvin C. Bryant III, Lawrence County

Areas of Giles County have had sufficient rain while other areas are in a drought and have not received rain for 2-3 weeks. Some corn and bean fields look really good while others are showing signs of drought. Some producers reporting they expect to shell corn next week.

Kevin Rose, Giles County

Showers this week have provided welcomed rain with some areas receiving more than others. There are droughty pockets in the county where some significant rain would be welcomed for crops and pastures. Hay harvest is mostly halted as rain in forecast daily. Some silage has been chopped with yields reported as very good. Some producers are concerned if they will have adequate hay supplies this winter.

A. Ruth Correll, Wilson County

Frequent rain has maintained pastures in good condition.

Chris Ramsey, Sullivan County

Tomato and other vegetables are in stress due to high levels of rain. Diseases such as buckeye rot, leaf mold, and leaf spot are spreading. These diseases are hard to control in wet weather.

Anthony Carver, Grainger County

TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION
For week ending: August 12, 2018 (with comparisons)

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		TEMPE	RATUR	E	PRECIPITATION						
LOCATION			Ending		Current	Rain	Current	Departure	Current	Departure	
			12, 201		Week	Days	Since	From Normal	Since	From Normal	
	HI	LO	AVG	DFN	08/12/2018	•	January 1	January 1	April 1	April 1	
Ames_Plantation	96	66	80	1	Wes 0.63	2	50.86	15.45	24.51	2.91	
Bolivar_Wtr_Wks	93		79	0		1		20.93	31.42	10.87	
Brownsville	95		81	1		3		3.92		-5.37	
Covington_3SW	93		79	0		1		13.41	19.31	-1.11	
Dresden	92		79	1		3		4.31	18.95	-1.78	
Dyersburg_Muni	95		80	0		3		-9.61	10.70	-8.80	
Henderson_4W	92		78	1		1		21.25	27.30	5.25	
Huntingdon	93		77	-2		4		-1.34		-4.18	
Jackson_Exp_Stn	94		80	0		4		19.66		7.76	
Lexington	94		80	1		3		14.30		2.28	
Memphis WFO	96		82	1		2		8.69	18.55	-2.04	
Milan_Exp_Stn	96		79	0		2		14.54		2.10	
Paris	91		75	-2		3		-2.79	16.32	-4.03	
Selmer	96		80	1		4		12.02		-0.22	
Union_City	92		79	1		4		2.52	15.34	-4.33	
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Bethpage_1S	92	65	76	-1		3	39.05	5.32	20.53	-0.20	
Carthage	94		79	1		3		4.88		-0.81	
Centerville_4NE	92		77	1		3		-2.66	17.55	-5.66	
_ Cheatham_L_D	98		80	2		2		5.06	20.54	0.26	
Clarksville OUT	93		76	-2		3		5.68	18.95	-0.77	
Coalmont	88		73	0		3		11.21		7.91	
Columbia_3WNW	93		78	0		4		3.27	19.76	-1.94	
Cookeville	91		77	1	5.64	5		11.71	29.84	8.41	
Crossville MEM	87		71	-3	2.04	5		12.64	31.05	9.40	
Dover_1W	93		79	1		4		7.15	24.71	4.74	
Fayetteville_Wt	94		80	1		5		5.68	20.97	1.20	
Franklin	95		80	1		3		4.33	21.32	1.08	
Hohenwald	91		76	0		3		9.09	22.12	0.25	
Jamestown	89		75 80	1		4		3.64	23.73	1.42	
Kingston_Spring Lobelville	97		80	2		3		0.88	14.98	-4.08	
	94		78	1		4		11.36	22.43	0.95	
Monteagle	87		74 78	0		6		9.36 4.34	30.83 21.35	7.49	
Murfreesboro_5 Nashville INTL	92 95		80	0		4			28.82	0.80 10.26	
Shelbyville_Wtr	95 95		79	1 0		3 4		15.83 -0.35	17.95	-3.08	
Sparta_WWTP	93		79 78	1		4		10.15	26.50	6.07	
Springfield_Exp	93 92		78 78	0		6		3.98		0.07	
Tennessee_Ridge	93		78 78	1		3		6.57		-2.18	
Tullahoma	92		78 78	1		3		7.24		4.83	
Waynesboro	93		78 78	2		3		7.24	23.94	-1.57	
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Athens	92	68	79	2		3	51.66	16.41	35.44	15.27	
Bristol Tri-City	90	65	74	0	0.85	5	36.42	8.92	23.28	6.04	
Chattanooga_Lov	94	72	79	-1	1.09	3	42.67	9.42	29.07	10.55	
Gatlinburg_2SW	82	62	72	-2	2.49	6	47.25	9.99	27.78	4.32	
Greeneville_Exp	89		75	-1		3		4.35	21.38	2.79	
Kingston Ag	90		78	0		5		8.58	24.25	4.64	
Knoxville AP	90		77	-2		3		6.68		4.65	
Lenior City	91		79	0		2		-1.17	18.75	-0.69	
Morristown Radi	88		77	1	1.24	4		4.48	18.60	0.59	
Oak_Ridge	90		76	-2		4		4.45		0.37	
Roan Mtn 3SW	82		70	1		4		7.34		4.34	
Rogersville 1N	89		76	1		5		7.81		1.22	
Townsend_5S	83		72	1		3		1.76	23.78	1.57	
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DFN = Departure from Normal (Using 1961-90 Normals Period). Rain Days = Days with precip of 0.01 inch or more during the week. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) measured in inches

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