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WEEKLY CROP WEATHER SUMMARY	MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE
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Rain late in the week provided some relief from scorching heat. Despite being below the five-year average, **corn** is progressing nicely. **Soybeans** are now at 51 percent blooming, which is well above five-year average of 40 percent. Plenty of sun around the state has allowed farmers time in the fields. As a result, **hay** harvest is still ahead of schedule compared to previous years. There were **6.3 days suitable for field work**.

Pasture was rated 1 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 36 percent fair, 43 percent good, and 15 percent excellent while **hay supplies** were rated 6 percent short, 87 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus.

CASH GRAINS - REGIONAL - (\$/bu) DEALERS AVERAGE CASH QUOTES								
Grade and Commodity	#2 Y Shelled Corn		#2 Yellow Soybeans		#2 Red Winter Wheat		#3 Barley	
	07/27	08/03	07/27	08/03	07/27	08/03	07/27	08/03
Western Md	2.47	2.47	6.38	6.53	3.03	3.03	1.76	1.76
Central MD	2.47	2.43	6.36	6.50	3.22	3.27	1.40	1.40
Southern MD	2.22	2.21	6.36	6.50	2.99	3.02	----	----
Upper E. Shore	2.35	2.34	6.44	6.58	----	----	----	----
Lower E. Shore	2.45	2.41	6.67	6.69	3.02	3.02	1.38	1.43
Soybean Meal Lower Eastern Shore Dealer's Average Cash quotes (\$/ton)								
Date	07/20		07/27		Date	07/20		07/27
48% Soybean Meal	249.00		231.00		44% Soybean Meal	237.00		243.00
FORWARD CONTRACT PRICE-REGIONAL (\$/BU) for Harvest delivery Dealer's Avg Quotes								
Grade and Commodity	#2 Y Shelled Corn		#2 Yellow Soybeans		#2 Red Winter Wheat		#3 Barley	
	07/27	08/03	07/27	08/03	07/27	07/27	07/27	08/03
Western Md	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Central MD	2.41	2.43	6.38	6.50	----	----	----	----
Southern MD	2.30	2.31	6.54	6.70	----	----	1.45	1.45
Upper E Shore	2.43	2.44	6.59	6.75	----	----	1.45	1.45
Lower E Shore	2.52	2.50	6.80	6.76	----	----	----	----
GRAIN FUTURES- Chicago Board of Trade (\$/bu) Settle - August 5, 2005								
Corn		Soybeans		Wheat		Soybean Meal/ ¹		
05Sep	232.40	05Aug	689.40	05Sep	332.00	05Aug	215.40	
05Dec	245.40	05Sep	694.40	05Dec	347.40	05Sep	214.40	
06Mar	252.60	05Nov	704.40	06Mar	359.40	05Oct	213.70	
06May	258.40	06Jan	708.40	06May	365.40	05Dec	216.50	
06Jul	261.60	06Mar	704.40	06Jul	370.60	06Jan	216.40	
06Sep	258.40	06May	700.00	06Sep	374.40	06Mar	216.50	

/1(\$/ton)

HAY AND STRAW				
New Holland, PA - \$/ton - August 1, 2005 - 62 Loads				
Alfalfa	Mixed Hay	Timothy	Orchardgrass	Straw

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135.00-180.00	90.00-215.00	90.00-175.00	95.00-147.00	122.00-200.00			
Westminster, MD - \$/bale - August 2, 2005 - 52 Lots							
Alfalfa	Alfalfa Mix	Timothy	Timothy Mix	Grass Mix	Straw		
2.00-4.10	2.00-2.60	2.00-3.90	1.80-3.40	1.50-5.00	1.30-3.20		
POULTRY (Grade A) - Week Ending - August 6, 2005							
	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Week Ago</u>	<u>Month Ago</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>			
NY Wtd Avg. (Fryers)	69.60	72.43	72.71	73.76			
12 City Composite	71.45	72.95	71.76	78.84			
LAMBS - Westminster, MD - \$/cwt - August 2, 2005							
Lambs	30-60 lbs	95.00-122.50		Sheep	52.50-72.50		
	70-100 lbs	110.00-120.00					
TERMINAL MARKETS HOGS - August 2, 2005			DIRECT MARKET HOGS - Westminster, MD - August 2, 2004				
Base Price Range	Carcass Basis	Sows (1-3)	Butcher Hogs	43.00			
a.m.	Base 185 lb Hog	300-449 lbs	U.S. # 170 lbs	61.00			
Eastern Cornbelt	62.34-68.50	36.35-43.30	Sows	28.00-33.00			
Iowa, Minn	60.00-69.75	29.50-41.24	Boars	27.00-29.00			
			Millsboro, DE Market Hogs - Next Sale August 16				
FEEDER PIGS - (\$/cwt) -							
Gumboro, DE			New Holland, PA -				
Head:	Trend:	None	Head:	None	Trend: All went to slaughter		
CATTLE-LIVE FUTURES-Chicago Mercantile Exchange (\$/cwt) - August 3, 2005				HOGS-LEAN FUTURES-Chicago Mercantile Exchange (\$/cwt) - August 3, 2005			
Aug05	81.73	Feb06	87.33	Aug05	69.90	Feb06	59.98
Oct05	83.23	Apr06	85.25	Oct05	60.63	Apr06	60.30
Dec05	85.55	Jun06	80.10	Dec05	58.13	May06	61.40
STOCKER-FEEDER CATTLE - (\$/cwt)							
Winchester, VA - August 1, 2005				Westminster, MD - August 2, 2005			
Steers	300-400 lbs	120.00-127.00		Steers	300-400 lbs	97.50-116.00	
	400-500 lbs	121.00-124.00			500-600 lbs	74.00-119.00	
	500-600 lbs	116.50-121.50					
	600-700 lbs	108.00-111.50		Heifers	300-400 lbs	82.00-112.00	
	700-800 lbs	100.00			500-600 lbs	85.00-103.00	
					700 lbs	73.00	
Heifers	300-400 lbs	114.00-120.50					
	400-500 lbs	107.00-113.00					
	500-600 lbs	102.50-111.00					
	600-700 lbs	97.00-104.00					
	700-800 lbs	89.50-91.00					
	800-900 lbs	88.00					
SLAUGHTER CATTLE (\$/cwt)							
Westminster, MD - August 2, 2005				Westminster, MD - August 2, 2005			
Fed Steers				Fed Heifers			
Choice & Prime	81.25-84.75			Small & Unfinished	65.50-73.50		
Select	70.25-77.50						
				Hols bull Calves #1	155.00-175.00		
				#2	125.00-150.00		
				Slaughter Calves	50.00-115.00		
Cows				Holstein Heifers	380.00-490.00		
High Dressing	48.75-55.50			#2 Hols. & Jerseys	150.00-210.00		
Breakers	43.00-48.25						
Boners	37.00-43.00						
Thin & Slow	36.00-Down						
Lancaster, New Holland & Vintage - August 4, 2005				Lancaster, New Holland & Vintage - August 4, 2005			
Sltr Steers: H Ch & Pr 2-4	1220-1485 lbs			79.00-82.00			
Choice 2-3	1165-1480 lbs			77.00-80.25			
Hols. Steers: H Ch & Pr 2-3	1300-1525 lbs			70.25-71.00			
Choice 2-3	1260-1560 lbs			68.75-70.75			
Sltr Cows: 75-80% lean				54.75-57.00			

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