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## WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING 8:00 A.M. MONDAY

Temperatures averaged much below normal. Extremes were 58 at Downstown on the 31<sup>st</sup> and 16 degrees at Newton on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Weekly rainfall averaged 1.49 inches North, 2.54 inches Central, and 1.64 inches South. The heaviest 24 hour total reported was 2.65 inches at long branch on the 29<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>.

Estimated soil moisture, in percent of field capacity, this past week averaged 100 percent North, 100 percent Central and 99 percent South. Four inch soil temperatures averaged 37 degrees North, 40 degrees Central and 41 degrees South.

Weather Stations	Rainfall			Temperatures				Growing Degree Days		Soil Moisture 2/
	Last Week	Since March 1		Last Week				1/		
		Total	Depart.*	Max.	Min.	Avg.	Depart.*	Total	Depart.*	
- Inches -			- Degrees -				- Base 50°F -		Percent	
<b>NORTH</b>										
Belvidere Bridge	1.56	5.16	1.08	50	19	35.	-10	0	0	100
Canoe Brook	1.49	5.13	.36	50	21	37.	-7	0	0	100
Charlotteburg	1.45	5.19	.80	47	24	37.	-5	0	0	100
Flemington	DATA NOT AVAILABLE									
Long Valley	1.46	3.90	-.82	44	18	33.	-10	0	0	100
<b>CENTRAL</b>										
Newton	1.50	4.62	.84	46	16	34.	-9	0	0	100
Freehold	2.56	8.26	3.57	49	21	37.	-9	0	0	100
Long Branch	3.46	9.17	4.29	49	26	39.	-7	0	0	98
New Brunswick	2.58	6.94	2.65	49	21	37.	-10	0	0	100
Pemberton	2.02	5.72	1.26	51	18	39.	-8	0	0	98
Toms River	2.48	7.65	3.11	57	20	38.	-8	0	0	99
Trenton	2.12	5.55	1.30	47	22	38.	-10	0	0	99
<b>SOUTH</b>										
A.C. Marina	1.11	4.17	.25	54	26	41.	-7	0	0	98
Cape May C.H.	1.36	4.90	.76	54	22	39.	-9	1	1	98
Downstown	1.54	5.51	1.28	58	18	39.	-9	2	2	98
Glassboro	2.40	5.77	1.35	51	26	41.	-7	0	0	99
Hammonton	1.47	5.85	1.62	58	22	40.	-8	1	1	98
Pomona	1.72	5.72	1.47	57	16	38.	-9	0	0	99
Seabrook	1.90	5.99	2.31	57	22	41.	-7	0	0	100
South Harrison	DATA NOT AVAILABLE									

\*Departure from normal.

1/ Growing degree days since March 1, total and departure from normal or long term average.

2/ Estimated soil moisture as % of field capacity based on climate data.

Maximum thermometer at Pemberton has been replaced. Temperatures have been averaging much too high and therefore Growing degree days units are too high.

As of June 26th, South Harrison replaced Woodstown, but the values will be compared to the normals for Woodstown because no normals exist for South Harrison.

## **AGRICULTURE**

Days suitable for field work 1.7. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 100% surplus. Percent normal nitrogen fertilizer supplies 69.8. Outdoor activities were limited, as excessive rainfall and wet field conditions have hampered planting and field preparation. Some areas in the northwestern portion of the state are still waiting for snow to melt from recent winter storms.

Other agricultural activities included seed and fertilizer purchase and repair of farm equipment. Some producers in southern counties have begun planting spring lettuce, spinach, cabbage, endive and other leafy greens as weather permits. Some fruit growers have reported that blueberries are beginning to show green. Orchards are pruning their trees in preparation for the growing season.

### **NOAA WEATHER RADIO STATIONS**

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