

NEW JERSEY WEEKLY DIGEST

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

Temperatures averaged much below normal. Extremes were 75 at Pemberton on the 2nd and 27 degrees at Charlotteburg on the 29th and 30th. Weekly rainfall averaged 0.55 inches North, 1.86 inches Central, and 2.92 inches South. The heaviest 24 hour total reported was 3.49 inches at Atlantic City Marina on the 25th to the 26th.

Estimated soil moisture, in percent of field capacity, this past week averaged 94 percent North, 94 percent Central and 93 percent South. Four inch soil temperatures averaged 50 degrees North, 59 degrees Central and 61 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	
NORTH										
Belvidere Bridge	.50	31.12	2.44	71	34	52.	-6	2376	-246	93
Canoe Brook	.72	29.59	-.57	72	30	53.	-5	2770	133	94
Charlotteburg	.42	27.45	-3.03	70	27	50.	-5	2073	-11	89
Flemington	.55	30.18	1.42	71	34	52.	-6	2806	103	88
Long Valley	DATA NOT AVAILABLE									
CENTRAL										
Freehold	1.53	26.22	-1.70	70	38	54.	-6	3038	153	93
Long Branch	1.91	35.16	6.91	71	41	55.	-6	2805	-25	85
New Brunswick	.92	29.42	1.02	72	36	55.	-6	2952	-63	95
Pemberton	2.36	30.19	1.61	75	35	57.	-4	3508	550	79
Toms River	2.57	33.19	4.28	72	39	55.	-5	2950	120	86
Trenton	DATA NOT AVAILABLE									
SOUTH										
A.C. Marina	3.80	34.71	10.75	72	49	60.	-2	3186	275	80
Cape May C.H.	3.09	28.89	3.81	73	44	57.	-7	3095	201	84
Downtown	2.72	28.72	2.47	73	38	56.	-6	3184	23	87
Glassboro	2.60	31.35	3.68	73	42	57.	-4	3339	217	85
Hammonton	3.16	28.98	1.36	73	37	56.	-5	3082	-46	85
Pomona	2.18	32.85	7.98	74	41	55.	-5	3010	105	86
Seabrook	2.88	30.16	4.81	73	41	56.	-6	3296	114	85
South Harrison	2.57	32.01	4.94	71	40	55.	N/A	3237	N/A	N/A

*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.

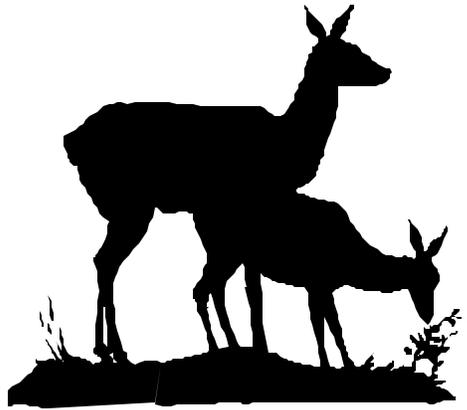
Maximum thermometer at Pemberton has been replaced. Temperatures have been averaging much too high and therefore Growing degree days units are too high.

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

Field Crops

Days suitable for field work 4.5. Topsoil moisture supplies were 69% adequate and 31% surplus. Corn mature 78%. Corn harvested 19%. Corn condition was 83% good and 17% excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves 61%. Soybeans harvested 15%. Soybean condition was 64% good and 36% excellent. Producers have reported some deer damage to corn and soybean fields in some localities.



Fruits and Vegetables

Producers spent the week harvesting fall vegetables and preparing fields for planting cover crops. Cooler night time temperatures caused some producers to cover vegetables crops to prevent frost damage. Fall spinach, cabbage and lettuce were rated in mostly good condition. Producers were able to make good progress digging sweet potatoes despite some shower activity early last week. Sweet potatoes were rated in mostly good condition with harvest 10-20% complete in some areas. Apples harvest continued with the crop rated in mostly good condition. The cranberry crop was also rated in mostly good condition with harvest getting underway in some localities.

NOAA WEATHER RADIO STATIONS

Allentown

WXL-39 on the VHF-FM frequency of 162.40 Megahertz.

Atlantic City

KHB-38 on the VHF-FM frequency of 162.40 Megahertz.

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KWO-35 on the VHF-FM frequency of 160.55 Megahertz.

Philadelphia

KIH-28 on the VHF-FM frequency of 162.475 Megahertz.

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