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Fair week for field work: New England averaged 4.5 days suitable for field work last week.

New England had another week of unusually warmer temperatures, with some showers and frosts in certain locations. Average weekly temperatures ranged from zero to eight degrees above normal. Weekly precipitation ranged from 0.15 to 2.16 inches. Now that harvest has been completed for most crops, producers have found themselves able to work on clean-up projects and complete errands. The cranberry harvest in Massachusetts neared completion. Orchardists continued marketing crops while baiting and guarding trees for rodents. Many apple varieties were sold out at most stores. There was still a good selection of fall vegetables reported, including greens and other local favorites. Field activities continued last week such as winterizing equipment, manure and lime spreading, plowing rotated ground, and testing soils for the next season.

Crop Conditions as of November 15, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
PASTURE AND RANGE	5	20	41	32	2

Crop Progress as of November 15, 2015

(in percent)

Item	This Week
CRANBERRIES (MA): HARVESTED	95
FALL TILLAGE: SINGLE	91

Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 15, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	2	14	76	8
SUBSOIL	0	18	76	6

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November 15, 2015 New England Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2015					
		Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
State	Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Maine	Augusta_State_A	57	29	42	+3	0.40	4	29.90	+2.37	90	2418	+243	4370
	Bangor_Intl_Air	59	25	41	+4	0.33	2	21.93	-3.16	95	2267	+237	4147
	Bethel	58	28	40	+4	0.58	4	30.47	+0.38	84	2100	+175	3947
	Bridgton	56	25	40	+3	0.79	3	32.59	+2.29	78	2063	+333	3920
	Caribou_Municip	57	28	40	+8	0.57	2	24.20	-0.83	104	1950	+468	3664
	Dover-Foxcroft	61	26	38	+5	0.54	2	34.84	+6.45	108	2000	+493	3725
	Durham	59	25	41	+3	0.47	3	28.20	-0.71	94	2184	+194	4094
	East_Surry	57	28	42	+3	0.63	3	27.04	-1.68	88	1898	+11	3715
	Eustis	53	25	36	+5	0.33	2	24.82	-1.47	88	1557	+407	3133
	Frenchville	54	28	38	+7	0.47	2	22.95	-2.64	98	1666	+306	3290
	Harmony	61	26	40	+5	0.15	2	31.48	+3.57	102	2091	+324	3912
	Houlton	57	25	39	+7	0.45	2	29.63	+4.18	94	1920	+404	3628
	Livermore_Falls	59	21	40	+5	0.38	2	32.11	+2.06	86	2020	+486	3823
	Machias	56	28	41	+4	0.59	2	30.39	-0.09	89	1917	+437	3643
	Millinocket_Wtr	58	26	38	+3	0.44	2	33.62	+5.37	90	1848	+84	3511
	Moosehead	57	27	38	+6	0.32	2	29.14	+0.65	101	1818	+510	3497
	Portland_ME	60	26	44	+5	0.31	3	27.15	-0.75	74	2574	+635	4611
	Rangeley_2NW	57	24	36	+4	0.49	3	27.23	-0.17	102	1483	+181	3029
	Sanford	57	27	42	+3	0.70	4	25.58	-4.35	53	2477	+227	4400
	Topsfield_2	56	29	40	+5	0.89	2	33.45	+4.33	93	1994	+299	3723
	Turner	58	29	42	+2	0.56	4	31.26	+3.14	87	2310	-42	4210
	Wesley_2W	56	23	39	+4	0.80	2	35.30	+8.46	72	2055	+340	3787
	West_Rockport	58	28	42	+4	0.40	2	30.78	+0.06	89	2237	+415	4121
New Hampshire	Berlin_AG	59	25	40	+5	0.46	4	26.71	-1.18	96	1906	+244	3690
	Bradford_2	57	25	40	+2	1.20	4	26.94	-2.58	70	2105	+33	3948
	Colebrook	58	20	38	+5	0.71	5	33.62	+5.52	131	1613	+98	3246
	Concord	59	24	43	+5	0.56	3	24.77	+0.26	73	2853	+678	4854
	East_Milford	60	26	44	+3	0.68	3	25.15	-3.48	63	2668	+329	4666
	Epping	59	25	44	+4	0.67	3	21.96	-6.33	72	2646	+427	4621
	Errol_AP	57	19	37	+4	0.53	5	30.27	+3.97	104	1737	+373	3375
	Fitzwilliam	57	28	43	+6	0.68	4	27.42	-1.37	90	2632	+809	4611
	Greenville	56	29	42	+5	0.71	3	30.56	+1.77	57	2353	+530	4277
	Hancock	56	27	41	+3	1.10	4	36.27	+6.26	92	2313	+308	4207
	Jefferson	52	28	39	+5	0.46	3	33.92	+6.36	113	1977	+247	3758
	Keene_AG	56	23	42	+4	1.03	4	31.21	+3.90	77	2533	+441	4472
	Lakeport_2	56	26	42	+4	1.06	3	30.18	+2.87	73	2534	+250	4490
	Lebanon	59	23	43	+6	0.46	4	23.71	-0.65	80	2699	+673	4679
	North_Conway	58	25	42	+5	0.79	4	29.89	-0.64	93	2123	+122	3990
	Tamworth_4	54	22	38	+3	0.90	3	34.14	+1.26	89	1877	+314	3643
	Wolfeburro	57	28	43	+5	0.81	3	26.41	-0.90	79	2557	+273	4534
Vermont	Bennington_AP	64	25	44	+8	0.64	4	20.25	-12.35	81	2633	+969	4640
	Burlington_Intl	59	29	45	+7	0.30	2	29.29	+3.13	93	3025	+780	5046
	Corinth	52	24	38	+2	0.57	5	33.46	+8.83	95	1805	+8	3525
	Island_Pond	56	24	38	+6	0.44	4	32.26	+3.14	118	1861	+396	3559
	Johnson_2N	56	23	39	+5	1.49	4	33.69	+5.01	106	1875	+221	3650
	Marlboro_Raws	55	30	41	+6	0.80	4	29.16	+2.44	80	2330	+717	4233
	Montpelier_AP	57	23	40	+4	0.53	4	30.43	+5.80	106	2184	+387	4019
	Newport_AG	54	26	39	+3	0.84	3	33.49	+5.62	105	2064	-2	3803

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	Rochester	60	25	41	+5	1.06	4	31.12	-0.56	88	2251	+501	4132
	Rutland_AG	63	24	42	+3	0.73	4	26.30	-1.33	95	2268	+120	4165
	Springfield_VT	57	24	43	+7	0.42	3	23.09	-7.08	81	2555	+665	4509
	South_Lincoln	56	21	38	+4	1.38	3	32.72	-0.75	89	1815	+382	3546
	Sutton	54	25	38	+6	0.69	4	33.76	+4.64	121	1884	+419	3612
	Walden	53	21	35	+3	0.82	5	33.79	+4.67	120	1518	+53	3098
	Woodstock	58	23	41	+5	0.51	3	28.93	+1.48	75	2383	+470	4260
Massachusetts	Amherst	59	26	44	+4	0.43	4	11.98	-4.02	29	1320	-1057	2393
	Barre_Falls_Dam	56	25	42	+4	0.52	3	11.17	-3.97	33	964	-854	1929
	Bedford_Hanscom	59	26	45	+4	0.38	3	6.84	-8.07	29	1266	-1189	2301
	Beverly_Ag	62	30	46	0	0.49	3	6.64	-8.45	27	816	-1885	1584
	Birch_Hill_Dam	56	25	42	+5	0.41	2	10.16	-4.25	25	1023	-819	2001
	Boston_Logan_In	60	37	49	+4	0.66	3	6.91	-6.48	26	1469	-1405	2569
	Chatham_AP	60	35	50	+4	1.81	3	12.36	-2.31	29	1207	-943	2303
	Chicopee_Westov	60	24	45	+5	0.49	4	7.00	-8.22	25	1271	-1106	2312
	Edgartown	61	35	50	+5	1.42	3	14.08	+0.04	23	1017	-1446	1821
	East_Brimfield_	57	31	45	+5	0.42	3	8.94	-6.36	27	1152	-1021	2187
	Fitchburg	60	24	45	+4	1.08	4	8.53	-7.22	27	1401	-1085	2451
	Greenfield	60	26	44	+5	0.86	4	14.32	-2.59	39	1417	-960	2572
	Hyannis_AP	61	32	50	+5	1.87	3	12.15	-1.17	25	1277	-1080	2368
	Maynard	62	25	45	+3	0.63	4	11.14	-3.01	32	888	-1567	1633
	New_Bedford	61	28	49	+4	0.64	3	12.72	-2.29	22	1265	-1654	2347
	Newburyport	61	31	46	+5	0.38	3	7.80	-7.55	23	1106	-1380	2138
	North_Adams_Har	58	25	44	+7	0.68	4	10.92	-5.95	33	1127	-647	2132
	Norwood	60	24	46	+4	0.26	3	5.49	-8.82	24	1203	-1377	2242
	Pittsfield	57	26	43	+4	1.55	4	10.58	-5.79	31	1047	-947	2033
	Plymouth	59	29	48	+3	2.16	4	11.06	-5.08	21	1273	-1337	2352
	Taunton_4NW	61	30	47	+4	0.61	4	8.12	-8.13	28	1175	-1364	2020
	Westfield_Barne	60	26	46	+7	0.39	4	9.69	-5.96	22	1388	-649	2440
	West_Otis	57	28	44	+6	0.86	3	10.13	-2.28	23	768	-1173	1477
	Worcester	55	30	44	+4	0.35	4	7.83	-8.81	29	1250	-975	2279
	Worthington	55	26	42	+4	1.20	4	11.62	-4.78	36	916	-952	1860
Rhode Island	Newport_AP	62	36	50	+5	0.65	2	22.73	-4.41	65	3042	+464	5179
	Providence	61	33	49	+4	0.44	2	23.10	-4.74	58	3403	+603	5555
	Westerly-Wester	62	30	50	+5	0.55	3	21.81	-7.92	59	2955	+360	5071
	Woonsocket	61	29	47	+5	0.57	4	22.62	-7.79	59	3169	+625	5264
Connecticut	Bridgeport_Siko	61	33	51	+5	0.49	3	18.38	-9.69	64	3671	+693	5851
	Danbury_AP	58	25	47	+5	0.54	3	22.82	-10.89	62	3105	+473	5209
	Hartford_Bradle	60	28	47	+4	0.85	3	24.22	-5.66	72	3474	+639	5599
	Meriden-Meriden	61	26	47	+6	0.19	3	14.23	-19.79	54	3403	+814	5534
	Norfolk	53	29	42	+5	1.09	3	27.28	-7.40	79	2441	+500	4360
	Norwich	60	33	48	+5	0.33	3	20.27	-11.89	56	3269	+507	5385
	Staffordville	57	28	43	+3	0.58	3	27.89	-4.10	59	2524	+282	4487
	Thomaston_Dam	59	25	44	+4	1.09	4	24.38	-8.54	77	2936	+646	4968
	West_Thompson_L	59	27	44	+3	0.32	4	21.78	-10.39	63	2721	+450	4733
	Willimantic	61	28	48	+7	0.31	3	21.83	-10.16	64	3294	+1052	5406

Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal.
Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.
Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit.
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REPORTERS COMMENTS, By County

Reporters are from Extension Service (Ext), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Farm Service Agency (FSA), Conservation District (CD), farmers, commodity specialists, or other knowledgeable individuals.

CONNECTICUT

WINDHAM, Dawn S. Pindell

Cooler and some rain. Holding off on combining corn until grain bins can be loaded again at local buyer. Doing fall clean-up projects. Catching up on errands that were put off till harvest was done.

MAINE

AROOSTOOK (Northern), Donald Audibert

Some producers were finishing plowing rotated ground. Most producers were looking to market their potato crop. Prices and demand are not great at the moment.

PISCATAQUIS/SOMERSET, Elaine S. Moceus

Mild weather continued as we've seen warmer than average temperatures with spotty showers during midweek. Favorable weather for an extended grazing season.

MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPSHIRE/HAMPDEN, Heather Baylis

Unusual fall weather continues with higher than normal temperatures. We did have a few days where the wind has picked up but still we are far warmer and drier than normal. We have only had an occasional touch of frost and dusting of flakes.

PLYMOUTH, Carolyn DeMoranville

Cranberry harvest is nearly complete. First Nor'easter of the season midweek brought heavy rains.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

CHESHIRE, Carl Majewski

Seasonable temperatures most of the week with some rain Thursday. Apart from some late-season grazing, pretty much everything else is done.

HILLSBOROUGH, George Hamilton

Vegetables: Farmers are soil testing fields for next season, spreading lime on fields, and cleaning and putting away farm equipment. Field Crops: Farmers are spreading manure and lime on fields, soil testing fields for next season, and cleaning and putting away farm equipment. Fruit: Orchardists busy marketing crop. Also, general cleaning and putting away farm equipment. Spread mice bait in orchards.

ROCKINGHAM, Nada Haddad

Cleaning fields, liming and fertilizing, and spreading manure. Producers were finishing putting mouse guards around newly planted trees this past spring. Nice weather allowed more field work. Farm stores that are still open were stocked with a great selection of fall vegetables, fresh greens, and other local foods. Some apple varieties were sold out. Dairy cows and livestock were enjoying the outdoors. It rained on Tuesday evening and all day on Wednesday.

RHODE ISLAND

ALL RI COUNTIES, Paul E. Brule

During the month of November, the state has been experiencing warm weather. Next week, temperatures are expected to be in the 60s and in the 40s during the night. Farmers were cleaning machinery up and storing them for the winter months ahead. All crops were just about finished harvesting. Just about all of the fields were seeded for winter rye.

ALL RI COUNTIES, Heather Faubert

Happy to see the rain this week.

VERMONT

FRANKLIN, Paul Stanley

Welcome rain in Franklin County this week along with some drying winds have kept soil moisture in check this week. Nice fall weather has allowed producers to catch up on some manure spreading, keeping manure storages in check for winter manure storage. Still some cattle out on pasture, however, some supplemental feed is a good idea.

ORLEANS, David Blodgett

Manure spreading was the only activity during the last week. The temperatures remained mild with the exception of a dusting of snow on Saturday. There were several days with periods of rain.