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# Crop Progress & Condition

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## Crop Progress (in %):

**Excellent Week for Field Work:** New Jersey had an average of 6.0 days suitable for field work. Heavy rains this past week washed out new plantings of leafy greens. Some fields will be replanted, but the window for planting is rapidly closing. The first 15 days of August are critical to finish planting. The following crops are being planted or replanted: arugula, beets, basil, lettuces, cilantro, collards, cucumbers, dill, escarole, endive, green onions, kale, leeks, parsley, radishes spinach, Swiss chard, broccoli and cauliflower. The following crops are being harvested: acorn squash, butternut squash, arugula, green beans, beets, basil, cabbage, cilantro, carrots, collards, sweet corn, cucumbers, summer dandelion, eggplant, green onions, kale, leeks, mint, mustard greens, parsley, peaches, peppers, summer squash, watermelon, mushmelon, Swiss chard, tomatoes and white potatoes.

	This week	Last Week	Last Year	5-year Average
Bell Peppers Harvested	57	36	66	64
Corn Silking	97	92	98	95
Corn Milk	40	30	N/A	N/A
Hay Alfalfa Second Cutting	89	84	94	84
Other Hay Second Cutting	83	73	91	81
Sweet Corn Harvested	56	35	66	N/A
Peaches Fruit Set	19	N/A	N/A	N/A
Peaches Harvested	10	N/A	62	57

## NJ Soil Moisture for Week Ending August 03, 2014

(equal to 100%)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil	4%	21%	66%	9%
Subsoil	5%	19%	62%	14%

## Crop Condition (in %):

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Apples	0	1	45	50	4
Alfalfa Hay	1	9	39	43	8
Corn	1	6	25	50	18
Other Hay	0	5	42	39	14
Pasture	4	6	46	28	16
Peaches	0	0	22	77	1
Soybeans	0	1	26	64	9

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## August 17, 2014 New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

Station	Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2014					
	Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Andover	86	49	68	-3	0.60	4	19.09	-0.73	52	2015	+221	3298
Belvidere_Bridg	89	50	68	-4	0.54	3	18.84	-0.02	49	1899	+21	3185
Cape_May	85	59	73	-2	1.05	2	17.74	+2.28	51	2365	+126	3704
Estell_Manor	85	53	69	-6	6.18	2	24.68	+8.91	45	2201	+15	3525
Flemington	89	51	69	-4	0.43	1	22.54	+2.31	54	2142	+137	3437
Freehold_Marlbo	88	53	70	-3	1.55	1	21.23	+3.17	50	2239	+74	3563
Hammonton	88	54	71	-5	3.47	1	21.20	+3.16	47	2318	+4	3653
Lakehurst_NAS	86	53	71	-5	2.29	2	18.51	+1.90	44	2279	+29	3575
Marlton	90	54	71	-4	2.64	2	23.87	+5.05	56	2404	+86	3746
Millville	86	53	70	-6	8.94	2	22.41	+5.68	46	2320	-25	3653
Mt_Holly_NWS	86	53	69	-5	2.08	2	22.56	+3.31	49	2210	-41	3545
Newark	88	58	74	-3	0.59	2	22.61	+3.90	46	2557	+109	3898
New_Brunswick	87	51	70	-4	0.70	1	22.77	+2.82	47	2261	+97	3573
Pennsauken	87	54	71	-6	0.79	1	21.95	+2.88	51	2365	-95	3708
Seabrook_Farms	88	55	71	-5	4.94	2	18.73	+1.05	39	2480	+112	3837
Sussex_2NW	86	49	68	-3	0.22	3	19.21	-0.72	52	2020	+254	3287
Trenton	87	53	71	-3	0.70	1	17.81	-2.18	41	2341	+239	3671

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

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### **Cumberland County, Dr. Wesley Kline**

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