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# Crop Progress & Condition

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**Excellent Week for Field Work:** New Jersey had an average of 6.5 days suitable for field work. The overall weather for New Jersey was good. There was some rain. Hay Alfalfa third cutting is almost done. Other Hay second cutting is done and third cutting is 44% done. Peach harvest is almost done. Soybeans setting pod is done and fully podded are 46% done. Harvests continue, fall Agricultural tourism events are gearing up. Peppers and eggplants were infected by Cyclamen mite 2 to 3 months ago.

**NJ Soil Moisture for Week Ending September 22, 2014**  
(equal to 100%)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil	8%	27%	58%	7%
Subsoil	5%	28%	60%	7%

**Crop Condition (in %):**

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Apples	0	2	47	48	3
Corn	1	8	30	52	9
Pasture	6	13	53	26	3
Soybeans	1	3	34	57	5

**Crop Progress (in %):**

	This week	Last Week	Last Year	5-year Average
Apples Harvested	40	35	29	30
Bell Peppers Harvested	92	85	90	89
Corn Dented	85	75	99	76
Corn Mature	29	12	65	64
Grapes	27	18	N/A	N/A
Hay Alfalfa Third Cutting	77	75	79	68
Other Hay Third Cutting	44	40	72	52
Peaches Harvested	89	88	93	90
Sweet Corn Harvested	85	84	90	89
Soybeans Fully Podded	46	8	N/A	N/A

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## September 21, 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	75	43	59	-2	0.34	1	22.19	-2.93	59	2626	+313	4259
Belvidere_Bridg	74	43	59	-5	0.27	2	21.44	-2.15	57	2504	+46	4140
Cape_May	80	49	67	-2	0.39	1	20.65	+1.19	62	3145	+160	4834
Estell_Manor	77	44	62	-5	0.00	0	26.70	+6.73	51	2872	+2	4546
Flemington	79	44	60	-4	0.30	1	25.04	-0.05	63	2800	+194	4445
Freehold_Marlbo	78	45	62	-4	0.28	2	23.35	+0.49	60	2939	+122	4613
Hammonton	78	47	62	-5	0.02	1	24.84	+2.16	54	3033	+25	4718
Lakehurst_NAS	76	47	62	-4	0.11	2	21.92	+0.39	53	2985	+46	4631
Marlton	79	47	62	-5	0.14	1	26.59	+2.76	65	3137	+119	4829
Millville	77	46	63	-5	0.00	0	24.19	+2.99	51	3050	-24	4733
Mt_Holly_NWS	75	47	60	-7	0.18	1	23.93	-0.35	58	2871	-75	4556
Newark	78	52	65	-3	0.60	3	24.38	+1.01	56	3359	+168	5050
New_Brunswick	79	44	62	-4	0.19	2	24.12	-0.97	56	2969	+138	4631
Pennsauken	77	48	63	-5	0.13	1	24.60	+0.61	61	3106	-105	4799
Seabrook_Farms	78	49	64	-4	0.00	0	22.92	+0.69	46	3229	+130	4936
Sussex_2NW	74	43	57	-4	0.16	2	22.20	-2.87	62	2594	+310	4211
Trenton	77	46	62	-3	0.14	1	20.70	-4.51	50	3063	+318	4743

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.*

### **Mercer County, Meredith Melendez**

Harvests continue. Growers involved with Agriculture tourism activities gear up for fall harvests and events.

### **Monmouth County, Bill Sciarappa**

Peach harvest ending and apples beginning. Cyclamen mite damage diagnosed from pepper and eggplant fruit from transplants being in greenhouse with infected flowers 2-3 months ago.

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