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Excellent Week for Field Work: New Jersey had an average of 7.0 days suitable for field work. Weather conditions have been very dry. Finally there was some rain that helped the drought like condition reported by some crop weather reporters. Lettuce and greens harvest is in full swing. Corn and soybeans are getting planted. There were some cold weather injury to soybean, lettuce and peas.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending May 24, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	20	34	43	3
SUBSOIL	11	35	52	2

Crop Conditions as of May 24, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
HAY, ALFALFA	1	3	35	55	6
HAY, OTHER	0	5	40	33	22
PASTURE AND RANGE	1	10	22	36	31
WINTER WHEAT	2	3	15	79	1

Crop Progress as of May 24, 2015 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
CORN: PLANTED	86	76	76	64
CORN: EMERGED	62	49	48	34
HAY, ALFALFA: FIRST CUTTING	66	43	22	6
HAY, OTHER: FIRST CUTTING	40	19	20	7
WINTER WHEAT: HEADED	79	73	84	72

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May 25, 2015 New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

Station	Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2015					
	Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Andover	83	39	59	-1	0.01	1	3.73	-3.69	13	384	+178	829
Belvidere_Bridg	84	31	59	-2	0.20	2	2.66	-4.57	12	331	+108	769
Cape_May	86	47	65	+3	0.66	2	4.77	-1.39	14	481	+160	984
Estell_Manor	85	43	63	+1	0.63	2	4.69	-1.44	18	489	+195	975
Flemington	84	39	61	0	0.13	3	2.74	-5.14	20	426	+168	886
Freehold_Marlbo	84	45	62	-1	0.25	2	3.79	-3.04	15	441	+134	921
Hammonton	85	47	65	+2	0.53	3	4.24	-2.74	23	506	+152	996
Lakehurst_NAS	84	43	62	-2	0.15	1	2.94	-3.35	18	499	+174	985
Marlton	84	44	64	-1	0.35	2	3.55	-3.54	19	518	+141	1017
Millville	83	42	63	-1	1.07	2	5.32	-1.29	19	530	+173	1013
Mt_Holly_NWS	82	44	62	-2	0.38	2	2.93	-3.98	17	476	+128	957
Newark	84	49	63	-2	0.03	1	2.71	-4.74	14	557	+176	1054
New_Brunswick	87	43	62	-2	0.03	2	3.20	-4.47	18	465	+170	944
Pennsauken	86	47	64	-1	0.25	1	4.10	-3.26	18	531	+123	1025
Seabrook_Farms	86	47	64	+1	0.57	4	4.30	-2.47	19	532	+167	1026
Sussex_2NW	81	37	59	-1	0.07	2	2.93	-4.92	16	361	+166	793
Trenton	83	45	62	0	0.03	2	3.09	-4.29	17	521	+235	1005

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.

Atlantic County, Richard Vanvranken

Lettuce and greens harvest in full swing. Quality excellent.

Monmouth County, Gabor Grunstein

It's very dry.

Monmouth County, Bill Sciarappa

Finally received some rain 1/8, 1/4 and 3/4 inch in most parts, ending a 3 week drought. Pollen shed from trees is enormous with compacted spring and now the grasses are loading up for a super hay fever season. Days and nights remain cool and growth is slow

with some cold weather injury seen on early planted soybeans. Even lettuce and peas found the 50 degree soil temps hard to germinate in.

Salem County, Jasen Berkowitz

Irrigation, planting corn and soybeans, spraying herbicides, some hay work, livestock condition good, and milk production average to good.

Warren County, Debra Crisman

Dry conditions persist, spotty showers give little relief.