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Excellent Week for Field Work: New Jersey had an average of 6.5 days suitable for field work. A widespread good soaking rain was received to help all crops. Regionalized rain events could help some pastures and range conditions. Moisture is still showing as short to adequate in most areas, with little surplus. Bees are low in number in some areas. Harvesting and fall crop planting continues. The majority of corn, alfalfa and other hay, winter wheat, and sweet corn are in good condition this week. Most alfalfa and other hay are in the second or third cutting. Harvesting is in the early stages for sweet corn and nearly complete for winter wheat.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending August 23, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	9	40	48	3
SUBSOIL	6	32	60	2

Crop Conditions as of August 23, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN	1	3	10	59	27
HAY, ALFALFA	4	4	23	61	8
HAY, OTHER	3	3	21	66	7
PASTURE AND RANGE	4	15	11	38	32

Crop Progress as of August 23, 2015 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
CORN: MILK	93	80	42	N/A
CORN: DOUGH	41	13	8	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	94	91	92	85
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	75	75	17	26
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	90	85	87	84
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	6	<5	0	21

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August 23, 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	91	54	75	+6	2.02	2	18.51	-2.17	49	2319	+413	3674
Belvidere_Bridg	90	53	74	+4	2.25	2	21.61	+2.06	44	2146	+147	3493
Cape_May	87	61	77	+4	2.97	1	19.51	+3.33	47	2762	+379	4175
Estell_Manor	89	56	77	+4	1.76	2	24.16	+7.55	54	2645	+321	4041
Flemington	94	53	78	+7	0.92	2	16.13	-4.84	53	2521	+391	3891
Freehold_Marlbo	96	60	79	+7	1.62	2	14.99	-3.91	47	2626	+328	4016
Hammonton	93	61	79	+6	0.12	3	21.18	+2.36	66	2794	+339	4194
Lakehurst_NAS	94	55	78	+5	0.82	1	15.69	-1.82	52	2675	+285	4071
Marlton	95	58	79	+7	0.89	1	17.89	-1.94	54	2792	+334	4201
Millville	89	56	77	+4	1.06	1	23.87	+6.30	50	2823	+333	4216
Mt_Holly_NWS	91	59	77	+4	0.62	1	15.76	-4.50	49	2635	+246	4026
Newark	97	66	82	+7	0.27	2	16.63	-2.81	41	3001	+404	4408
New_Brunswick	98	57	80	+8	0.32	2	13.79	-7.00	55	2692	+392	4081
Pennsauken	93	59	78	+4	0.34	1	18.92	-0.99	51	2779	+170	4183
Seabrook_Farms	91	57	77	+4	0.12	1	20.91	+2.45	49	2821	+307	4225
Sussex_2NW	92	54	74	+6	1.72	1	17.26	-3.21	50	2186	+308	3528
Trenton	94	60	79	+7	0.92	2	14.38	-6.54	54	2805	+572	4199

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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Hunterdon County, Bob Mickel

Regionalized rain events could help some pastures and forages, but livestock should be supplemented with hay or grain to keep them from going backwards. Beef calves would benefit from creep feeding or some additional supplement just for them.

Weaning beef calves early that are at least 6 months of age would benefit both the cows and calves.

Monmouth County, Bill Sciarappa

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