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# Crop Progress & Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in New Jersey, there were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday; May 17th, 2020. Topsoil moisture supplies were 5 percent short, 92 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 92 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Pasture conditions were 85 percent good and 15 percent excellent.

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending May 17, 2020

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	0	5	92	3
SUBSOIL	0	0	92	8

### Crop Conditions as of May 17, 2020

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
HAY, ALFALFA	0	0	4	62	34
HAY, OTHER	0	0	9	88	3
PASTURE AND RANGE	0	0	0	85	15
WINTER WHEAT	0	0	0	78	22

### Crop Progress as of May 17, 2020

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
CORN: PLANTED	29	<5	26	44

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## May 17, 2020 New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

Station	Air Temperature Last Week					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
NORTHERN										
Aeroflex-Andover Airport	57.0	40.0	48.5	58.61	-9.4	0.08	1.0	-0.15	3.65	0.93
Belvidere Bridge	78.0	43.5	60.75	58.7	1.6	0.19	2.0	-0.07	1.43	-0.41
Flemington 5 Nnw	69.3	43.4	56.36	59.2	-2.84	0.33	4.0	-0.7	4.11	0.2
Newark Liberty Intl Ap	70.0	49.4	59.71	62.0	-2.29	0.06	2.0	-0.83	2.3	-1.29
Sussex 3 Wnw	66.3	40.1	53.21	57.0	-3.79	0.42	3.0	-0.48	3.34	-0.45
Extreme/Average	68.1	43.3	55.71	59.10	-3.34	0.22	4	-0.45	2.97	-0.20
SOUTHERN										
Estell Manor	71.9	44.9	58.36	60.74	-2.39	0.02	1.0	-0.76	3.52	0.32
Freehold-Marlboro	70.1	46.1	58.14	60.34	-2.2	0.09	2.0	-0.67	3.05	-0.11
Hammonton 1 Ne	70.0	44.9	57.43	60.91	-3.49	0.37	3.0	-0.4	3.52	0.25
Millville Municipal Airport	70.7	45.3	58.0	60.36	-2.36	0.05	1.0	-0.76	2.74	-0.44
Philadelphia/Mt. Holly Wfo	69.9	45.9	57.86	N/A	N/A	0.04	2.0	N/A	3.07	N/A
New Brunswick 3 Se	69.7	46.4	58.07	60.01	-1.94	0.21	3.0	-0.7	3.01	-0.61
Pennsauken 1N	70.1	45.9	58.0	N/A	N/A	0.07	1.0	N/A	3.04	N/A
Seabrook Farms	N/A	N/A	N/A	62.2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Trenton-Mercer Airport	69.0	46.1	57.57	60.53	-2.96	0.08	1.0	-0.77	3.15	0.11
Extreme/Average	70.2	45.7	57.93	60.73	-2.56	0.12	3	-0.68	3.14	-0.08
COASTAL										
Cape May 2 Nw	68.8	48.7	58.75	60.9	-2.0	0.0	0.0	-0.66	4.04	1.2
Extreme/Average	68.8	48.7	58.75	60.90	-2.00	0.00	0	-0.66	4.04	1.20
STATE TOTAL	69.3	45.0	57.17	60.14	-2.80	0.14	3	-0.59	3.14	-0.03

DFN = Departure from normal.

Weather summary provided by the Southern Regional Climate Center, <https://climdata.srcc.lsu.edu>.

## JERSEY FRESH AVAILABILITY FOR MAY 18, 2020

<b>ARUGULA</b>	Harvesting light to increasing volume of good quality products.
<b>ASPARAGUS</b>	Harvesting with increasing volumes. With warming weather volumes will continue to increase.
<b>BABY SPINACH &amp; ARUGULA</b>	Harvesting increasing volume of good quality products.
<b>BEETS</b>	Starting to harvest Spring plantings with good quality in light volume.
<b>BOK CHOY</b>	Harvesting good volume with good quality.
<b>CILANTRO</b>	Spring planted product is increasing in volume.
<b>COLLARD GREENS</b>	Harvesting light to good volume of new spring plantings.
<b>DANDELIONS</b>	Harvesting a good quantity of good quality over-wintered bunched product. Spring planted should start becoming available this week.
<b>DILL</b>	Harvesting a light to increasing volume. Volume will be hit or miss due to recent cool weather.
<b>ESCAROLE &amp; ENDIVE</b>	Volume increasing with continued warming weather and increasing soil temperatures.
<b>KALE</b>	Harvesting good volume of good quality, Spring plantings.
<b>KOHLRABI</b>	Low volume, will be increasing with the warm weather.
<b>LEEKS</b>	Good volume of quality over-wintered product available. Spring planted will start to become available in a few weeks.
<b>LETTUCE</b>	Starting to harvest good volumes of Boston, Red, Green and Romaine. Volume will pick up each week.
<b>MINT</b>	Harvesting good quality in increasing volume. Volume will pick up each week.
<b>PARSLEY</b>	Good quality over-wintered curly and new plain product harvesting in light to increasing volume.
<b>RADISHES</b>	Harvesting good quality product good to increasing volume. Volume will pick up each week.
<b>SPINACH</b>	Harvesting good volume of good quality- spring plantings have started.
<b>STRAWBERRIES</b>	Early harvests of Chandler variety berries are underway with increasing volumes. Matted row production will start in mid to late May through mid-June depending on temperatures.
<b>SWISS CHARD</b>	Harvesting good quality over-wintered product with Spring planted becoming available soon.

## JERSEY FRESH FORECAST

<b>BASIL</b>	June 1st. Cool temperatures is slowing planting.
<b>BLUEBERRY</b>	June 10th.
<b>CABBAGE</b>	Should begin harvesting in a week or so.
<b>CUCUMBERS</b>	Should begin harvest in mid-June.
<b>PEPPERS</b>	End of June.
<b>SCALLIONS</b>	Spring harvest expected around May 20th
<b>TURNIPS</b>	Should begin harvesting in a week or so.
<b>YELLOW SQUASH &amp; ZUCCHINI</b>	Should begin harvest at end of May or early June.