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# Crop Progress & Condition

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**Fair Week for Field Work:** New York had an average of 3.5 days suitable for field work.

Though conditions vary across the state, weather was largely good and some fields have dried enough for fieldwork. Reports on perennials and fall plantings are positive.

Field activities for the week include spreading manure and fertilizer, plowing and planting, spraying trees, repair and maintenance, and spring prep work.

## Crop Progress as of April 19, 2015

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
SPRING TILLAGE				
SINGLE	5	0	<5	<5
APPLES				
GREEN TIP	5	0	5	NA

## Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 19, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil	0	1	36	63
Subsoil	0	0	43	57

## Crop Conditions as of April 19, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
HAY, ALFALFA	0	9	53	30	8
HAY, OTHER	0	15	49	30	6
WINTER WHEAT	0	9	38	40	13

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## April 19, 2015 New York Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2015					
		Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
Region	Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Northern	Fort_Drum	77	32	51	+7	0.40	2	1.44	-0.46	8	17	+17	94
	Highmarket	70	22	44	+3	0.46	3	2.78	-0.16	12	0	0	35
	Hooker_12NNW	74	31	49	+11	0.45	2	1.84	-0.44	9	5	+5	75
	Lowville	69	26	47	+5	0.01	1	1.15	-0.91	7	1	+1	58
	Massena	78	25	49	+7	0.22	1	1.30	-0.56	8	22	+22	97
	Watertown_Intl	81	25	49	+7	0.20	2	1.18	-0.54	8	20	+20	105
Northeast	Indian_Lake	67	23	42	+5	0.12	2	1.59	-0.20	9	0	0	25
	Malone	74	26	47	+7	0.30	3	1.62	-0.10	11	9	+9	61
	Newcomb	71	18	45	+7	0.16	2	1.31	-0.63	8	3	+3	47
	North_Creek	72	21	45	+3	0.07	2	1.49	-0.98	8	0	0	40
	Plattsburgh_Int	71	25	50	+7	0.13	3	0.86	-1.01	9	17	+17	102
	Tupper_Lake_Sun	72	22	45	+7	0.26	2	1.34	-0.65	8	4	+4	45
Western	Avon	81	30	51	+7	0.50	3	1.79	-0.01	10	26	+26	128
	Buffalo_Intl_AP	78	34	53	+9	0.56	3	2.11	+0.17	11	34	+33	147
	Canandaigua_3S	82	33	53	+8	0.59	3	2.11	+0.15	9	29	+29	131
	Colden_1W	78	36	51	+9	0.91	3	3.32	+0.91	11	24	+24	119
	Dansville_AP	82	32	56	+11	0.36	3	1.98	+0.32	12	60	+60	186
	Geneva_Research	78	31	50	+6	0.54	2	1.77	-0.02	8	18	+18	108
	Rochester_NY	84	35	55	+10	0.44	3	1.70	-0.06	9	53	+52	168
	Warsaw	77	28	49	+8	1.00	3	2.43	+0.32	10	11	+11	93
	Youngstown	80	32	52	+7	0.44	3	2.97	+1.45	12	29	+29	128
Central	Auburn_NY	79	29	50	+6	0.79	3	2.83	+0.76	11	15	+14	109
	Boonville	72	28	46	+6	0.33	3	2.88	-0.06	10	3	+3	45
	Cooperstown	74	34	52	+9	0.23	2	1.99	-0.32	9	17	+17	112
	Fulton-Oswego	80	29	51	+7	0.57	3	2.55	+0.44	8	19	+19	112
	Oneonta	73	26	48	+4	0.16	3	1.90	-0.57	11	4	+4	70
	Sherburne	76	26	48	+5	0.36	3	1.81	-0.27	11	5	+5	80
	Syracuse_AP	81	31	54	+9	0.37	2	2.04	-0.12	9	37	+36	146
Eastern	Albany_County_A	77	31	55	+9	0.11	1	1.18	-0.86	7	49	+45	156
	Alcove_Dam	73	28	50	+6	0.10	1	1.64	-0.63	7	13	+13	100
	Brunswick_NY	73	30	52	+9	0.17	2	1.32	-1.07	8	19	+19	108
	Buskirk	75	26	48	+5	0.14	3	1.14	-1.25	8	8	+8	82
	Cobleskill	71	23	46	+3	0.05	2	1.09	-0.87	6	3	+3	61
	Peck_Lake	64	25	42	-2	0.16	3	2.41	-0.06	10	0	0	25
	Saratoga_Spring	72	28	48	+2	0.02	1	1.09	-1.19	7	9	+5	79
Southwest	Alfred	80	26	49	+8	0.52	2	2.45	+0.50	12	10	+10	106
	Bath	78	30	51	+7	0.55	2	2.74	+1.06	12	17	+17	117
	Corning	76	25	48	+5	0.62	2	3.02	+1.34	12	9	+9	87
	Franklinville	77	26	48	+6	0.60	2	2.53	+0.47	12	10	+10	94
	Jamestown_AP	75	39	53	+9	0.39	2	2.00	-0.14	11	31	+31	144
	Olean	79	29	51	+8	0.76	2	2.58	+0.30	12	15	+15	118
	Perrysburg	82	33	52	+8	0.82	2	3.20	+1.30	9	25	+25	140
Southern	Binghamton_Broo	74	34	53	+10	0.38	2	2.75	+0.57	12	33	+33	131
	Elmira_Ag	77	26	51	+6	0.75	2	3.20	+1.32	10	19	+18	119
	Ithaca_Cornell_	77	27	49	+5	0.70	2	2.78	+0.70	10	9	+9	90
	Mecklenburg	76	29	50	+7	0.54	2	2.64	+0.48	12	10	+10	102
	Owego_3WSW	79	24	50	+6	0.82	2	3.43	+1.16	12	11	+11	102
	Whitney_Point_L	76	26	48	+5	0.36	2	2.74	+0.47	10	7	+7	91
Southeast	Bridgehampton	72	31	51	+5	0.23	3	1.12	-1.70	10	14	+10	112
	Carmel_4N	76	33	52	+4	0.26	2	1.61	-1.18	9	18	+3	116
	East_Jewett	72	23	46	+6	0.13	3	1.78	-1.14	11	0	0	54
	Mohok_Lake	78	35	56	+8	0.18	2	1.55	-1.03	8	48	+39	176
	Montgomery_NY_A	81	30	56	+9	0.18	2	1.53	-0.84	7	63	+58	173
	New_York_LGA	79	47	59	+8	0.08	1	0.68	-1.63	6	92	+55	245
	Poughkeepsie_Ag	81	30	55	+8	0.25	3	2.41	+0.11	10	39	+31	142
	Vanderbilt_Muse	79	40	57	+7	0.09	2	0.67	-2.01	9	56	+34	181
	Walton	75	24	48	+4	0.27	3	2.52	+0.05	11	5	+5	71
	Yorktown_Height	78	35	55	+7	0.15	2	1.13	-1.61	7	36	+24	152

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.*

**Albany/ Fulton/ Hamilton/ Montgomery/ Schenectady/ Schoharie Counties, Andrew Michael:**

In the 6 county region of New York; Albany, Schenectady, Schoharie, Montgomery, Fulton and Hamilton Counties there was everything from plowing has begun to the ground still has snow cover. Things are looking up across the region however.

**Broome County, Maria Heath:**

Fields dried up some. Plowing has started on some fields.

**Capital Region Counties, Laura Mcdermott:**

last week's weather was a boon to all specialty crops growers. Fields drying out and ground warming - no issues with flooding and perennial crops made great progress. Hudson Valley is moving forward nicely, capital district will gain quickly if weather stays warm. North country still waking up from winter!

**Cayuga/ Onondaga/ Oswego Counties, Krista Tyrrell:**

Conditions remain very wet this week in Cayuga, Onondaga and Oswego Counties. We are starting to see some manure spread on the larger dairy farms, but very little. Rain twice this week continued to keep things too wet to complete field work.

**Clinton/ Essex/ Franklin/ St Lawrence Counties, Kitty O'Neil:**

Hay fields and pastures just beginning to green up slightly. Alfalfa and grass condition not completely apparent yet.

**Columbia/ Dutchess/ Greene/ Putnam/ Ulster/ Westchester Counties, Sandy Ferry:**

Last week was a beautiful week in the Hudson Valley. Apples were being sprayed and some varieties were in green tip by the end of the week. Oats and barley was planted in some areas and fall seeded grains have started to emerge and look good.

**Cortland/ Tompkins Counties, Jennifer Doty:**

Plows finally went in the ground this week. Manure is being spread widely now that fields have dried enough to withstand equipment.

**Erie County, Emily M Dechow:**

Erie County reached the 70 degree mark this week, but field conditions remain wet.

**Genesee/ Niagara/ Orleans Counties, Nathan R Herendeen:**

Field activity started on well drained soils, but most fields still too wet for field activity. Some nitrogen application on winter wheat and grass hay, some planting of peas, oats, and new forage crop seedings. It is getting late...

**Lewis County, Joe Lawrence:**

It was a good week for drying soil. A small amount of field work began.

**Livingston County, Dean Pendergast Dir:**

Spring tillage has started in a few areas of the county and some of the first peas have been planted.

**Madison County, Jessica Pylman:**

We're starting to see more and more freshly tilled fields. This past week and weekend gave those with well drained soils a chance to start tillage work and even start planting. I've seen some oats and new seeding go in late this past week. Talking to some farmers their subsoil is still too wet to start field work.

**Oneida County, William Paddock:**

What a great week in Oneida County! We finally saw some heat, sun and plenty of days of nice weather. All the snow is now gone in the fields but some can still be seen in the woods and along the roadside in areas that do not see much sun. I would expect all snow to be gone with the rains that are due early this week. Some plowing going on and manure spreading going on as well as pits are getting quite full. Moisture of the topsoil is fairly dry so most people are not having much trouble going. No report on winter wheat or hay stands as they are just starting to green up, too early to report on them.

**Ontario County, Joann Rogers:**

Field preparation has started in some fields; manure spreading was being done towards the end of the week.

**Otsego County, Lisa Knapp:**

Last week brought great weather. Producers have been spreading manure.

**Rensselaer/ Saratoga/ Warren/ Washington Counties, David Holck:**

Our area had a nice week with warm temperatures. Farmers were able to spread manure and tillage has begun on fields that were dry enough to work.

**Schuyler/ Seneca Counties, Kathy Mastellar:**

Fields are still too wet to work due to a couple of days with some rain.

**Suffolk County, Alice V Wise:**

Buds are starting to swell in Long Island vineyards. With warm, sunny weather predicted for the weekend, things will move quickly.