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Very Poor Week for Field Work: New York had an average of .5 days suitable for field work.

Winter is making its way out but is in no hurry. Snow cover, low temperatures, flurries and ice are still being reported. Where it is warm enough to thaw, ground moisture is an issue.

Some fields are accessible for spreading of manure and other fertilizer.

In Long Island, grapes have been pruned and are being tied.

The quote that best sums up current conditions is: "Farmers are very sick of winter and looking forward to warmer weather."

Field activities for the week include spreading manure, applying fertilizer, and preparing and maintaining equipment and facilities.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 5, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil	0	0	22	78
Subsoil	0	0	38	62

Crop Conditions as of April 5, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
HAY, ALFALFA	0	6	52	32	10
HAY, OTHER	0	15	46	33	6
WINTER WHEAT	0	7	35	41	17

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April 5, 2015 New York Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2014					
		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	57	16	35	-4	0.50	4	0.48	-0.02	3	0	0	11
	Highmarket	58	5	30	-6	1.11	5	0.94	+0.14	3	0	0	5
	Hooker_12NNW	59	17	35	+4	0.68	5	0.57	-0.03	3	0	0	8
	Lowville	60	5	32	-5	0.48	5	0.45	-0.07	3	0	0	6
	Massena	63	16	35	-2	0.34	3	0.34	-0.12	3	3	+3	16
	Watertown_Intl	66	14	38	0	0.58	4	0.56	+0.11	3	3	+3	17
Northeast	Indian_Lake	57	10	30	-2	0.46	5	0.42	-0.08	3	0	0	4
	Malone	61	10	30	-5	0.55	3	0.55	+0.11	3	0	0	3
	Newcomb	60	7	31	-2	0.53	4	0.39	-0.11	3	0	0	6
	North_Creek	62	5	33	-5	0.17	2	0.17	-0.48	2	0	0	8
	Plattsburgh_Int	68	21	37	-1	0.22	1	0.22	-0.25	1	1	+1	20
	Tupper_Lake_Sun	59	-1	28	-5	0.54	4	0.45	-0.05	3	0	0	4
Western	Avon	68	16	39	-2	0.62	2	0.62	+0.17	2	4	+4	20
	Buffalo_Intl_AP	67	25	40	-2	0.88	5	0.69	+0.19	3	3	+3	18
	Canandaigua_3S	70	22	40	0	0.74	3	0.69	+0.20	2	4	+4	22
	Colden_1W	63	12	34	-4	1.37	5	1.25	+0.65	3	3	+3	13
	Dansville_AP	71	24	41	+2	0.76	4	0.72	+0.32	3	7	+7	27
	Geneva_Research	68	20	38	-2	0.10	2	0.10	-0.35	2	3	+3	18
	Rochester_NY	72	27	42	+3	0.53	4	0.50	+0.05	2	9	+9	27
	Warsaw	65	12	33	-3	0.99	5	0.86	+0.31	3	0	0	8
	Youngstown	69	21	40	0	0.52	4	0.51	+0.11	3	5	+5	21
Central	Auburn_NY	63	10	35	-5	0.85	3	0.85	+0.33	3	0	0	14
	Boonville	54	9	29	-6	0.90	5	0.79	-0.01	3	0	0	2
	Cooperstown	60	23	35	-3	0.50	3	0.40	-0.20	2	0	0	8
	Fulton-Oswego	62	14	36	-4	0.64	3	0.62	+0.05	2	0	0	13
	Oneonta	62	8	33	-8	0.34	4	0.30	-0.35	3	0	0	9
	Sherburne	63	10	35	-4	0.44	4	0.38	-0.16	2	0	0	11
	Syracuse_AP	68	21	39	-1	0.71	3	0.70	+0.15	2	5	+5	21
Eastern	Albany_County_A	67	25	42	+1	0.37	2	0.37	-0.18	2	12	+12	32
	Alcove_Dam	65	19	37	-3	0.46	2	0.43	-0.16	1	2	+2	18
	Brunswick_NY	63	16	38	-2	0.31	3	0.30	-0.30	2	0	0	16
	Buskirk	61	13	36	-4	0.27	3	0.26	-0.34	2	0	0	11
	Cobleskill	61	13	35	-4	0.22	2	0.18	-0.32	1	0	0	13
	Peck_Lake	60	4	31	-7	0.68	4	0.50	-0.15	2	0	0	8
	Saratoga_Spring	61	11	37	-5	0.20	5	0.17	-0.43	3	1	+1	13
Southwest	Alfred	68	7	36	-2	0.65	4	0.65	+0.15	4	1	+1	19
	Bath	66	13	37	-3	0.74	5	0.69	+0.27	4	0	0	16
	Corning	62	8	34	-6	0.53	5	0.47	+0.05	4	0	0	12
	Franklinville	66	11	34	-4	0.99	6	0.90	+0.38	4	0	0	12
	Jamestown_AP	63	23	38	-3	0.67	5	0.60	+0.05	3	3	+3	13
	Olean	66	11	36	-3	0.64	6	0.58	-0.02	4	0	0	14
	Perrysburg	65	13	36	-4	0.80	4	0.80	+0.30	4	0	0	15
Southern	Binghamton_Broo	62	23	38	-2	0.70	5	0.62	+0.07	4	5	+5	21
	Elmira_Ag	67	13	37	-4	0.16	2	0.16	-0.32	2	1	+1	18
	Ithaca_Cornell_	65	12	35	-4	0.64	4	0.62	+0.10	3	0	0	14
	Mecklenburg	64	12	37	-3	0.51	5	0.46	-0.09	4	2	+2	20
	Owego_3WSW	66	8	35	-6	0.54	4	0.54	-0.05	4	0	0	15
	Whitney_Point_L	65	9	36	-4	0.69	4	0.66	+0.07	3	0	0	15
Southeast	Bridgehampton	53	24	39	-5	0.34	3	0.34	-0.41	3	0	0	8
	Carmel_4N	61	23	40	-5	0.64	3	0.62	-0.08	2	2	+2	19
	East_Jewett	59	5	33	-4	0.25	5	0.20	-0.60	3	0	0	5
	Mohonk_Lake	63	26	42	-1	0.46	3	0.44	-0.26	2	6	+6	27
	Montgomery_NY_A	66	21	43	+1	0.71	4	0.68	+0.08	2	14	+14	34
	New_York_LGA	63	34	48	+1	0.18	2	0.18	-0.45	2	14	+9	48
	Poughkeepsie_Ag	67	19	40	-3	0.87	3	0.85	+0.25	2	3	+3	20
	Vanderbilt_Muse	59	24	43	-4	0.27	4	0.26	-0.46	3	4	+2	26
	Walton	60	4	33	-7	0.53	5	0.41	-0.24	3	0	0	7
	Yorktown_Height	62	22	41	-3	0.37	2	0.37	-0.33	2	3	+3	20

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.

Broome County, Maria Heath

A very few acres have been able to be accessed for spreading of manure. Frost still in the ground.

Columbia/ Dutchess/ Greene/ Putnam/ Westchester Counties, Sandy Ferry
The snow is finally almost gone here in the Hudson Valley but the frost is still coming out. We are expecting warmer temperatures and rain all week so it will be wet but the frost should be leaving.

Cortland/ Tompkins Counties, Jennifer Doty

Winter has not left yet, snow flurries persist and snow piles remain, although have dissipated considerably. Manure spreading is able to resume but now leaving ruts, so only certain fields are being accessed. Between snow melt and rain, no plans of field work in the near future.

Delaware County, Mariane Kiraly

Still snowing on and off and still a snow pack in the hills. Ground is soft. Farmers are very sick of winter and looking forward to warmer weather.

Erie County, Emily M Dechow

Erie County continued to experience below normal temperatures during the month of March.

Genesee/ Niagara/ Orleans Counties, Nathan R Herendeen

Some nitrogen was applied on wheat last week. Some frost seeding of forages and cover crop clover, but very little. Soils still saturated and everything is cold

Lewis County, Joe Lawrence

The week started with almost complete snow cover remaining but by week's end a great deal had melted away. Some areas are still snow covered and ground is saturated.

Livingston County, Dean R Pendergast

No field work at this time.

Madison County, Jessica Pylman

Higher elevations still have snow banks. Lower elevation have little to no snow sitting, however; most fields still have water sitting on them at an elevation. I have noticed most farmers were able to get out and at least spread some manure.

Oneida County, William Paddock

Happy Spring to all! Not much going on but there is a lot of hope and optimism that spring work will come. Still most of the county has snow in the meadows and there is some manure spreading going on as manure pits are quite full. Still too early to get an idea of the winter wheat progress.

Ontario County, Joann Rogers

Ontario County is experiencing delays in spring activity with the extended cold temperatures and snow, which has delayed any field preparations, manure spreading, and maple syrup harvest.

Schuyler/ Seneca Counties, Kathy Mastellar

Snow and rain have continued and as a result, field work has not been started. The cold weather has allowed farmers to spread manure due to the ground being hard.

Suffolk County, Alice Wise

Long Island grape growers are finishing up with pruning and are tying vines to the trellis wire.

Wyoming County, Jerry Marley

Easter weekend brought snow and rain/ice mix. Fields are still snow covered for the most part and crop conditions is difficult to determine at this time.

Yates County, Amy Parmelee

Nothing different since last week. Still unable to do any field work.