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Poor Week for Field Work: New York had an average of 1.5 days suitable for field work.

Though there was little snow this week, there was plenty of rain, ensuring that most fields stayed either too frozen or too wet for any major activity, though some manure spreading and some fertilizer application has been reported.

Maple season is wrapping up. A few producers are still flowing.

Long Island grapes are being tied off.

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

Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 12, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil	0	0	25	75
Subsoil	0	0	40	60

Crop Conditions as of April 12, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
HAY, ALFALFA	0	6	54	31	9
HAY, OTHER	0	12	49	32	7
WINTER WHEAT	0	9	38	40	13

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April 12, 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	54	26	38	-3	0.56	3	1.04	-0.16	6	0	0	18
	Highmarket	55	18	34	-5	1.38	6	2.32	+0.43	9	0	0	5
	Hooker_12NNW	53	25	38	+4	0.79	4	1.36	-0.08	7	0	0	13
	Lowville	52	25	36	-4	0.69	3	1.14	-0.15	6	0	0	9
	Massena	58	21	37	-3	0.74	4	1.08	-0.08	7	3	+3	29
	Watertown_Intl	61	29	42	+2	0.42	3	0.98	-0.10	6	3	+3	37
Northeast	Indian_Lake	47	20	34	-2	1.05	4	1.47	+0.31	7	0	0	4
	Malone	56	22	35	-3	0.77	5	1.32	+0.25	8	0	0	9
	Newcomb	46	19	33	-3	0.76	3	1.15	-0.05	6	0	0	6
	North_Creek	50	19	34	-6	1.25	4	1.42	-0.14	6	0	0	8
	Plattsburgh_Int	56	19	38	-3	0.51	5	0.73	-0.44	6	1	+1	31
	Tupper_Lake_Sun	50	21	33	-3	0.63	3	1.08	-0.14	6	0	0	5
Western	Avon	63	29	42	0	0.67	5	1.29	+0.19	7	7	+7	48
	Buffalo_Intl_AP	66	32	44	+2	0.86	5	1.55	+0.35	8	9	+9	55
	Canandaigua_3S	60	29	41	-2	0.83	4	1.52	+0.33	6	4	+4	40
	Colden_1W	60	29	42	+2	1.16	5	2.41	+0.91	8	5	+5	38
	Dansville_AP	66	30	45	+3	0.90	6	1.62	+0.59	9	14	+14	73
	Geneva_Research	61	29	40	-3	0.78	4	1.23	+0.14	6	3	+3	33
	Rochester_NY	64	33	44	+2	0.76	4	1.26	+0.17	6	15	+15	62
	Warsaw	61	26	40	+2	0.57	4	1.43	+0.11	7	1	+1	30
	Youngstown	64	31	42	-2	2.02	6	2.53	+1.57	9	6	+6	43
Central	Auburn_NY	63	28	41	-2	1.19	5	2.04	+0.75	8	0	0	34
	Boonville	50	21	34	-5	1.76	4	2.55	+0.66	7	0	0	2
	Cooperstown	62	29	41	+2	1.36	5	1.76	+0.31	7	0	0	30
	Fulton-Oswego	56	29	40	-3	1.36	3	1.98	+0.64	5	0	0	30
	Oneonta	60	22	36	-7	1.44	5	1.74	+0.18	8	0	0	15
	Sherburne	61	27	40	-2	1.07	6	1.45	+0.14	8	0	0	25
	Syracuse_AP	62	30	42	-1	0.97	5	1.67	+0.35	7	5	+5	48
Eastern	Albany_County_A	63	29	42	-3	0.70	4	1.07	-0.20	6	13	+13	51
	Alcove_Dam	61	25	38	-4	1.11	5	1.54	+0.11	6	2	+2	28
	Brunswick_NY	56	28	39	-3	0.83	4	1.15	-0.33	6	0	0	23
	Buskirk	58	25	38	-4	0.74	3	1.00	-0.48	5	0	0	21
	Cobleskill	61	24	37	-5	0.86	3	1.04	-0.16	4	0	0	18
	Peck_Lake	52	23	35	-6	1.75	5	2.25	+0.69	7	0	0	8
	Saratoga_Spring	56	28	39	-6	0.90	3	1.07	-0.37	6	1	+1	19
Southwest	Alfred	66	25	42	+3	1.28	6	1.93	+0.73	10	1	+1	43
	Bath	64	28	42	-1	1.50	6	2.19	+1.14	10	0	0	39
	Corning	66	23	39	-4	1.93	6	2.40	+1.35	10	0	0	27
	Franklinville	61	25	42	+3	1.18	6	1.93	+0.64	10	1	+1	36
	Jamestown_AP	61	32	46	+4	1.01	6	1.61	+0.29	9	7	+7	55
	Olean	64	27	43	+3	1.24	6	1.82	+0.38	10	0	0	41
	Perrysburg	64	29	44	+2	1.43	4	2.54	+1.34	7	0	0	53
Southern	Binghamton_Broo	63	28	40	-3	1.75	6	2.37	+1.03	10	7	+7	38
	Elmira_Ag	64	25	42	-2	2.14	6	2.45	+1.27	8	1	+1	41
	Ithaca_Cornell_	64	26	40	-2	1.46	5	2.08	+0.79	8	0	0	28
	Mecklenburg	64	24	38	-3	1.64	6	2.10	+0.78	10	2	+2	34
	Owego_3WSW	68	23	40	-4	2.07	6	2.61	+1.18	10	0	0	33
	Whitney_Point_L	64	26	40	-3	1.72	5	2.38	+0.95	8	0	0	30
Southeast	Bridgehampton	58	30	43	-3	0.55	4	0.89	-0.91	7	0	0	32
	Carmel_4N	59	28	40	-7	0.73	5	1.35	-0.39	7	2	-1	33
	East_Jewett	56	27	36	-3	1.45	5	1.65	-0.22	8	0	0	7
	Mohonk_Lake	66	31	45	-1	0.93	4	1.37	-0.24	6	7	+7	65
	Montgomery_NY_A	67	29	43	-2	0.67	3	1.35	-0.11	5	20	+20	60
	New_York_LGA	62	37	48	-3	0.42	3	0.60	-0.87	5	25	+8	108
	Poughkeepsie_Ag	65	29	41	-4	1.31	5	2.16	+0.72	7	3	+3	36
	Vanderbilt_Muse	62	33	44	-5	0.32	4	0.58	-1.12	7	4	-5	59
	Walton	60	25	38	-5	1.84	5	2.25	+0.69	8	0	0	17
	Yorktown_Height	63	32	44	-3	0.61	3	0.98	-0.71	5	3	+1	49

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:

Standing water on fields on river flats. Temperatures still cool, still seeing snow flurries. Manure being spread on gravel ground.

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

With the rain and warmer temperatures things are finally starting to look and feel like spring. Green tip is expected for fruit trees starting later this week. Our orchards are busy gearing up for spraying and finishing pruning. We are hoping that we do not have too much winter damage for the stone fruit but we should know soon. Our crop farmers are finishing manure application and getting ready to start spring work as soon as it dry enough to be in the fields.

Cortland/ Tompkins Counties, Jennifer Doty:

Fields remain too wet to begin spring work, some farmers finding manure spreading now more difficult than during the deep snow. A few stubborn snow piles remain. Maple season has ended for most with half of normal production, but few producers are still getting sap flows with the snow pack in the woods assisting. Syrup has rated Light, little to none Medium or Dark, but with good flavor.

Essex County, David Reckahn:

finally warming up but still had snow during the week and frost still in the soil

Genesee/ Niagara/ Orleans Counties, Nathan R Herendeen:

Some application of Nitrogen on wheat and grass hay completed, about 15 % Weather has prevented most field activity - pea, oat, barley, forage seedings have not started with a few exceptions. Some frost seedings in wheat have been done.

Madison County, Jessica Pylman:

Madison County had approx 3 days of rain last week. Lower elevation have no real snow cover left as of this weekend, however; hilltop and higher elevations still had some snow packs and banks left in and along the fields. The fields are either still frozen or just too wet to do any field work at this time.

Oneida County, William Paddock:

We finally strung together some nice days with some heat as well. Still not much going on in the county as far as field work. Nearly all the snow is gone except for in low spots in the fields and in the woods, also some snow in the higher elevations of the county in the fields but it is melting quickly. I would expect to see some progress on the winter wheat this week and hopefully I will have an update on it next week, as the weather forecast looks promising. Some producers are picking and choosing spots to spread liquid manure as pits are quite full and some said last week they are hoping to put on some fertilizer this week. Let's hope the sunny days and heat continue to ramp up this week.

Ontario County, Joann Rogers:

Producers are now just able to spread manure, repair fences and starting to get prepared for spring field work.

Otsego County, Lisa Knapp:

Ground is still too soft. No field work at this time.

Rensselaer/ Saratoga/ Warren/ Washington, David Holck:

Our counties in eastern New York finally had temperatures in the 60's over the weekend. There is still snow along some of the hedgerows in a few places. Dairy farmers are spreading manure, but field conditions have been too wet for tillage to begin.

Schuyler/ Seneca Counties, Kathy Mastellar:

Rain and cool weather still hampered any field work.

Suffolk County, Alice V Wise:

Grapevines on Long Island are in the dormant stage. Growers are tying vines to the trellis wire and getting equipment ready.