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Excellent Week for Field Work: New York had an average of 6 days suitable for field work.

Though a few areas reported rain, most areas were too dry. Temperatures were cool with frost in some areas that caused damage to soybeans. Field work is moving quickly and planting is ahead of schedule. Dry crops are looking poor, developing slowly, unevenly, and are showing stress. In areas with enough moisture however, condition looks much better and mowing of hay has begun.

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

Soil Moisture for Week Ending May 24, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	9	21	50	20
SUBSOIL	1	16	59	24

Crop Conditions as of May 24, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
BARLEY	0	8	20	56	16
CORN	0	1	28	65	6
HAY, ALFALFA	0	4	28	50	18
HAY, OTHER	0	10	27	47	16
OATS	0	1	13	60	26
PASTURE AND RANGE	0	5	31	48	16
WINTER WHEAT	0	3	23	54	20

Crop Progress as of May 24, 2015 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
SPRING TILLAGE: SINGLE	86	77	66	57
BARLEY: PLANTED	88	81	57	46
BARLEY: EMERGED	28	21	21	11
CABBAGE: PLANTED	41	19	12	11
CORN: PLANTED	70	52	34	56
CORN: EMERGED	34	13	12	7
HAY, ALFALFA: FIRST CUTTING	10	N/A	23	15
OATS: PLANTED	88	79	69	81
OATS: EMERGED	44	29	33	24
ONIONS DRY: PLANTED	96	90	50	80
POTATOES: PLANTED	62	51	36	59
SNAP BEANS: PLANTED	6	<5	31	18
SOYBEANS: PLANTED	39	18	16	25
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	6	0	0	<5
SWEET CORN: PLANTED	46	30	45	42
WINTER WHEAT: HEADED	17	<5	0	0
APPLES: GREEN TIP	95	90	90	98
APPLES: PINK	89	79	75	95
APPLES: FULL BLOOM	84	64	31	82
PEACHES: GREEN TIP	90	85	87	97
PEACHES: PINK	85	81	72	94
PEACHES: FULL BLOOM	71	46	20	79
PEARS: GREEN TIP	87	82	91	98
PEARS: PINK	82	79	75	94
PEARS: FULL BLOOM	70	47	29	81
CHERRIES, SWEET: GREEN TIP	88	83	84	97
CHERRIES, SWEET: PINK	84	82	66	93
CHERRIES, SWEET: FULL BLOOM	78	71	29	83
CHERRIES, TART: FULL BLOOM	96	91	15	62

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May 25, 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	85	32	57	-2	0.08	3	2.79	-2.83	22	303	+134	666
	Highmarket	86	24	51	-5	1.43	3	6.66	-1.37	25	165	+56	419
	Hooker_12NNW	82	29	54	0	0.50	1	4.70	-2.16	23	272	+192	624
	Lowville	82	32	54	-4	0.13	2	2.64	-3.00	16	207	+65	527
	Massena	87	27	58	-1	0.03	1	3.02	-2.08	18	281	+113	652
	Watertown_Intl	84	26	55	-2	0.09	1	2.43	-2.51	18	257	+116	613
Northeast	Indian_Lake	78	27	51	-2	0.28	3	5.32	-0.33	22	161	+98	394
	Malone	84	29	55	-2	0.02	1	3.51	-1.42	23	205	+103	520
	Newcomb	82	26	51	-3	0.22	3	4.49	-1.57	21	157	+88	406
	North_Creek	84	32	56	-2	0.17	1	4.26	-2.89	17	217	+85	522
	Plattsburgh_Int	81	34	58	0	0.10	2	2.18	-3.10	21	249	+102	624
	Tupper_Lake_Sun	83	28	52	-2	0.11	3	2.79	-3.20	16	159	+83	419
Western	Avon	85	31	57	-1	0.09	1	4.69	-0.27	21	298	+125	693
	Buffalo_Intl_AP	83	34	57	-2	0.03	1	3.41	-2.14	23	333	+143	731
	Canandaigua_3S	85	34	59	0	0.12	1	5.54	+0.27	20	329	+146	725
	Colden_1W	78	29	53	-4	0.22	2	6.86	+0.41	27	265	+136	619
	Dansville_AP	86	32	60	+2	0.90	2	5.32	+0.49	26	419	+234	846
	Geneva_Research	82	33	56	-3	0.39	1	4.66	-0.47	18	280	+99	654
	Rochester_NY	85	32	59	+1	0.00	0	3.68	-1.20	18	389	+200	806
	Warsaw	80	30	53	-3	0.15	1	5.01	-1.08	25	226	+112	558
	Youngstown	86	32	58	-2	0.00	0	4.23	-0.46	23	259	+71	657
Central	Auburn_NY	84	30	57	-3	1.19	2	6.82	+1.16	26	293	+91	677
	Boonville	79	27	52	-4	0.50	3	5.87	-2.16	24	197	+88	480
	Cooperstown	82	37	56	-1	0.68	2	5.05	-1.42	20	286	+171	659
	Fulton-Oswego	84	31	57	-2	0.25	1	5.84	+0.12	19	302	+139	685
	Oneonta	84	30	54	-5	0.92	2	4.62	-2.72	24	219	+60	544
	Sherburne	83	31	55	-3	1.33	2	6.71	+0.68	25	232	+90	581
	Syracuse_AP	86	34	59	+1	0.63	2	4.71	-1.30	21	371	+177	780
Eastern	Albany_County_A	86	38	59	-1	0.25	2	2.43	-3.64	16	412	+200	845
	Alcove_Dam	83	37	56	-3	0.22	3	3.66	-3.02	19	270	+117	658
	Brunswick_NY	85	39	59	+2	0.37	2	3.11	-4.29	20	363	+209	768
	Buskirk	82	35	57	-2	0.13	1	2.88	-4.52	17	250	+96	610
	Cobleskill	80	29	55	-3	0.33	3	2.62	-2.95	19	221	+74	546
	Peck_Lake	78	29	52	-6	0.36	2	5.67	-1.55	23	170	+30	430
	Saratoga_Spring	82	36	58	-3	0.31	1	2.31	-4.41	16	288	+63	655
Southwest	Alfred	82	22	55	-2	0.45	2	5.57	-0.12	27	245	+131	605
	Bath	83	30	57	0	0.53	1	5.79	+0.94	25	277	+135	655
	Corning	83	29	55	-2	0.54	1	5.39	+0.54	21	236	+94	577
	Franklinville	81	26	54	-2	1.22	2	6.50	+0.52	29	222	+120	552
	Jamestown_AP	79	30	54	-5	0.19	3	3.89	-2.25	29	272	+99	647
	Olean	81	29	55	-1	0.19	1	5.18	-1.16	26	261	+146	636
	Perrysburg	79	30	54	-5	0.22	1	6.37	+1.19	23	266	+88	642
Southern	Binghamton_Broo	81	32	57	-2	1.92	1	7.21	+1.01	23	325	+169	703
	Elmira_Ag	86	32	59	0	0.59	1	5.82	+0.65	20	305	+121	690
	Ithaca_Cornell_	84	31	56	-1	1.11	1	6.07	+0.34	22	271	+122	628
	Mecklenburg	83	29	55	-2	0.85	2	6.87	+0.95	27	254	+127	607
	Owego_3WSW	84	31	57	0	0.57	1	6.41	+0.31	25	278	+120	657
	Whitney_Point_L	83	29	56	-2	1.21	1	5.89	-0.21	22	256	+98	622
Southeast	Bridgehampton	82	46	59	0	0.26	2	2.25	-5.03	15	225	+52	639
	Carmel_4N	77	38	56	-6	0.23	2	4.01	-3.84	18	259	-5	676
	East_Jewett	80	29	53	-2	0.85	4	4.95	-3.49	24	176	+98	471
	Mohonk_Lake	79	37	60	-1	0.21	3	4.94	-3.42	19	420	+182	870
	Montgomery_NY_A	83	37	59	-1	0.12	2	2.88	-4.54	15	410	+205	844
	New_York_LGA	83	50	63	-2	0.01	1	2.41	-4.53	13	504	+136	997
	Poughkeepsie_Ag	82	40	59	-2	0.57	3	5.19	-2.32	21	364	+142	793
	Vanderbilt_Muse	80	47	59	-3	0.02	1	2.44	-4.84	14	380	+96	837
	Walton	81	28	54	-4	0.55	2	5.74	-1.60	26	211	+52	534
	Yorktown_Height	83	42	60	-2	0.26	2	3.35	-4.83	16	345	+99	789

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:

Broome received 2 inches of rain on Monday which caused some flash flooding, but rain was needed and did help spur growth. Temperatures have been cooler and a chance of frost 2 nights.

Columbia/ Dutchess/ Greene/ Putnam/ Ulster/ Westchester Counties, Sandra Ferry:

The Hudson Valley area is moving very fast with planting and first cutting haylage. Small grains are looking poor due to lack of rain. Fruit and vegetables are looking good but everyone is nervous about the chance of frost and freeze this past weekend. First cutting is very short due to lack of rain. We are more than 5 inches below average of rain.

Genesee/ Niagara/ Orleans Counties, Nathan R Herendeen:

Dry weather continues. Crop emergence is uneven, dry soil condition skips and areas not emerging. Corn and soy planting are far ahead of normal. Wheat is heading out. Oats are slow due to dry conditions.

Lewis County, Joe Lawrence:

Another week busy with field work as dry conditions allowed all field activities. Some areas are becoming quite dry, new seedlings are showing stress and seedling emergence is not uniform. First cutting hay crop yields are expected to be light. A widespread frost likely damaged some early planted soybeans, most emerged corn was still too small to be killed by a frost but there was some cosmetic damage to emerged tissue.

Livingston County, Dean R Pendergast:

Great weather for first cutting hay but must land would benefit from a "good" rain.

Madison County, Jessica Pylman:

Monday May 18th had afternoon and PM showers and Tuesday May 19th was wet with scattered showers throughout the county. Wednesday the ground was very wet and the air was cold but no rain. The rest of the week had been good. Temperatures dipped to down near 30 degrees and even below in some areas. This is the second time this month which may be problematic for the apple growers. There are a few fields have yet to be tilled. I heard a lot of the corn is in but only a few have mentioned they've started soybean planting. Over the end of the week and over the weekend I've seen many hay fields have been mowed.

Oneida County, William Paddock:

Another fantastic week for field work in Oneida County. We had a shower on Monday and from reports everyone received about a half inch of rain. It has also cooled off this week. Making grass hay take off with this last shot of rain and alfalfa stands look tremendous. We are hearing and have seen a couple farmers have started to mow hay. Seedlings are nearly all in and corn and soybeans continue to be planted at a high rate. Seeing lots of corn that has emerged already. Lots of animals have gone out on pasture in the last two weeks and rotationally grazed pastures are very flush right now with grass. Barley did not winter as well as hoped but winter wheat looks great.

Ontario County, Joann Rogers:

Ontario County hay harvested for chopping and dry hay; planting of corn, soybeans and vegetables continue. It was cool at the beginning of the week and frost in areas later in the week. Some soybeans that had emerged were hit by the frost. Rain showers have been localized and varying in amounts.

Rensselaer/ Saratoga/ Warren/ Washington, David Holck:

We are extremely dry in our counties in eastern New York. An Albany TV station reported that so far this is the 2nd driest May on record. Pastures have stopped growing and rotational grazers are pasturing fields that would normally be harvested for hay. Producers who have harvested hay or haylage are reporting yields are only 60% of normal on their first cutting. Most of our area has only had .4 of an inch of rain or less for the month. Grass hay yields are much worse than alfalfa yields.

Schuyler/ Seneca Counties, Kathy Mastellar:

Rain/Thunderstorms occurred overnight on Monday 5/18 and the rest of the week was cool, but sunny. This hindered planting once again.

Suffolk County, Alice V Wise:

Long Island vineyards are disbudding, removing excess shoots on trunks. Shoot thinning is also taking place.