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# Crop Progress & Condition

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**Fair Week for Field Work:** New York had an average of 4 days suitable for field work. Heavy rain was reported throughout the state this week which interrupted 3-4 days of field work. Days prior to the rain allowed for a great fall harvest. Corn silage were harvested throughout the state and yield is reported as above average. Dry bean and soybean were also harvested this week. Few reports of dry hay, fourth cutting of alfalfa was reported as well. Pasture are reported to be in good conditions and are still growing but at a slower rate than usual. Winter wheat planting was reported throughout the state with some planting delayed by the heavy rain. Field activities for the week included plowing and planting of fields, fall tillage, harvesting, repair and maintenance.

## Crop Progress as of October 4, 2015

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
FALL TILLAGE: SINGLE	64	58	57	53
CABBAGE: HARVESTED	78	76	94	93
CORN: MATURE	73	57	43	35
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	8	<5	<5	7
CORN FOR SILAGE: HARVESTED	75	62	53	65
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	87	86	94	93
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	50	42	47	44
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	98	94	100	100
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	87	85	91	90
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	48	39	48	43
POTATOES: HARVESTED	72	64	70	72
SNAP BEANS: HARVESTED	93	88	93	94
SOYBEANS: DROPPING LEAVES	83	74	65	59
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	23	11	7	10
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	94	93	95	97
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	58	40	67	51
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	7	0	9	8
GRAPES: HARVESTED	54	40	44	54

## Soil Moisture for Week Ending October 4, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	3	13	66	18
SUBSOIL	3	14	62	21

## Crop Conditions as of October 4, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN	2	9	23	53	13
GRAPES	4	5	12	66	13
HAY, ALFALFA	0	5	24	49	22
HAY, OTHER	0	7	30	47	16
PASTURE AND RANGE	0	10	36	43	11
SOYBEANS	2	11	28	46	13

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## October 4, 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	76	35	55	+1	0.94	3	19.40	-2.77	73	2579	+355	4253
	Highmarket	68	33	49	-2	2.73	3	30.21	+1.19	79	1754	+88	3299
	Hooker_12NNW	74	36	54	+5	1.66	3	26.01	-1.22	78	2469	1011	4138
	Lowville	71	34	51	-2	1.07	2	19.33	-2.13	58	2086	+191	3709
	Massena	76	36	55	+3	0.91	2	19.64	-0.55	71	2473	+372	4160
	Watertown_Intl	73	35	55	+2	0.94	3	17.08	-1.33	68	2379	+405	4051
Northeast	Indian_Lake	67	31	50	+2	3.51	3	29.75	+7.30	80	1724	+407	3248
	Malone	75	32	51	+2	1.38	3	24.79	+2.35	81	2111	+410	3716
	Newcomb	71	27	47	-3	2.40	3	27.65	+4.07	76	1745	+342	3274
	North_Creek	68	36	52	-2	3.58	3	28.25	+3.51	69	2239	+274	3860
	Plattsburgh_Int	74	35	53	+1	2.02	3	21.70	+1.58	79	2408	+302	4097
	Tupper_Lake_Sun	72	33	50	+1	2.02	2	25.51	+1.24	71	1857	+411	3405
Western	Avon	76	39	54	-2	1.86	5	24.86	+5.75	71	2418	+189	4122
	Buffalo_Intl_AP	76	43	56	0	1.55	5	22.10	+0.60	75	2785	+431	4504
	Canandaigua_3S	75	39	55	-3	2.66	5	28.38	+8.31	67	2724	+324	4434
	Colden_1W	71	39	52	-2	2.92	5	32.39	+6.97	87	2234	+333	3889
	Dansville_AP	77	37	56	+2	2.81	5	22.69	+2.85	73	2903	+611	4650
	Geneva_Research	73	38	53	-2	2.89	4	27.37	+7.38	69	2405	+122	4091
	Rochester_NY	78	42	57	+2	1.42	5	24.49	+5.26	69	2898	+569	4637
	Warsaw	72	36	51	-2	2.45	5	30.02	+5.36	88	2130	+354	3751
	Youngstown	78	46	58	+3	0.52	5	19.59	+1.29	70	2658	+274	4381
Central	Auburn_NY	74	38	54	-3	3.63	4	30.87	+8.74	73	2583	+147	4285
	Boonville	67	31	49	-2	3.60	3	29.00	-0.02	76	1923	+257	3501
	Cooperstown	72	43	54	+3	2.64	3	26.16	+2.37	76	2425	+605	4122
	Fulton-Oswego	74	38	56	0	1.64	3	22.84	+1.45	70	2663	+338	4369
	Oneonta	70	38	53	-1	2.56	2	24.17	-1.46	74	2133	+108	3776
	Sherburne	73	38	55	+3	2.24	3	27.26	+4.57	83	2301	+284	3968
	Syracuse_AP	76	38	57	+3	2.98	2	26.47	+3.79	70	2922	+570	4657
Eastern	Albany_County_A	79	46	59	+5	3.85	3	24.63	+3.07	62	3154	+789	4917
	Alcove_Dam	74	43	54	+2	5.50	4	24.81	+1.38	69	2401	+293	4113
	Brunswick_NY	77	44	57	+4	5.93	3	28.57	+1.53	73	2854	+876	4588
	Buskirk	75	39	54	+1	5.03	3	21.94	-5.10	63	2326	+348	4012
	Cobleskill	74	40	54	0	2.66	2	22.30	+1.54	80	2297	+227	3942
	Peck_Lake	72	36	52	-2	3.07	3	26.29	+0.35	83	1862	-85	3436
	Saratoga_Spring	74	41	55	-1	1.58	3	21.62	-1.96	59	2634	+229	4327
Southwest	Alfred	75	34	52	-1	5.11	5	26.30	+3.64	82	1999	+280	3663
	Bath	73	40	54	+1	3.09	6	26.64	+7.48	91	2402	+386	4097
	Corning	70	37	52	-2	3.15	5	22.05	+2.89	77	2062	+46	3713
	Franklinville	72	37	53	+2	3.01	5	28.55	+4.41	86	2065	+387	3702
	Jamestown_AP	70	39	53	-2	1.54	6	18.77	-7.55	85	2267	+98	3955
	Olean	72	38	53	0	3.04	6	23.74	-1.86	79	2362	+586	4049
	Perrysburg	74	39	54	-4	2.54	4	31.39	10.02	63	2350	+37	4028
Southern	Binghamton_Broo	72	40	55	+2	2.00	3	28.16	+6.47	77	2502	+485	4196
	Elmira_Ag	75	42	54	-1	3.24	6	23.83	+3.22	74	2479	+200	4182
	Ithaca_Cornell_	73	37	54	+1	2.59	5	23.76	+2.15	78	2353	+289	4024
	Mecklenburg	73	38	53	0	4.18	4	28.44	+6.00	83	2131	+220	3791
	Owego_3WSW	76	42	55	+1	1.72	3	22.49	+0.36	74	2482	+342	4183
	Whitney_Point_L	75	42	56	+2	1.85	3	22.50	+0.37	69	2419	+279	4108
Southeast	Bridgehampton	78	49	61	+3	4.33	5	18.60	-4.61	47	2813	+268	4557
	Carmel_4N	76	43	57	-1	3.37	6	20.59	-6.74	62	2455	-167	4192
	East_Jewett	73	36	52	+2	5.10	4	29.61	+2.95	77	1892	+436	3499
	Mohonk_Lake	74	44	56	-2	4.71	6	29.65	+1.51	66	2977	+452	4752
	Montgomery_NY_A	81	45	60	+6	3.19	5	20.62	-4.69	59	3120	+736	4881
	New_York_LGA	83	49	64	+2	2.71	5	18.04	-6.08	47	3944	+566	5767
	Poughkeepsie_Ag	80	44	58	+3	3.32	4	25.87	+0.90	62	2953	+443	4707
	Vanderbilt_Muse	79	47	60	-3	2.26	6	19.09	-4.54	52	3285	+293	5071
	Walton	73	41	55	+2	3.26	4	27.30	+1.67	85	2118	+93	3761
	Yorktown_Height	81	46	60	+3	3.32	6	22.28	-5.65	72	3082	+475	4855

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:**

Temperatures have turned much cooler. Corn drying down quickly.

### **Cortland/Chemung/Tioga, Janice Degni:**

Corn silage harvest continues. Some rain received.

### **Genesee County, Nathan R Herendeen:**

Variable precipitation during week. Corn silage harvest continued. Wheat planting interrupted for 3 - 4 days. Soybean harvest interrupted for 4 days. Grain corn harvest getting started.

### **Livingston County, Dean R Pendergast:**

Dry bean and soybean harvest has begun. Corn harvest for grain is not far off. Winter wheat planting is behind schedule.

### **Ontario County, Joann Rogers:**

Ontario County experienced rain for most of the week but at the end of the week fall harvest continued with corn for grain harvest starting.

### **Oneida County, William Paddock:**

Starting last Tuesday into Wednesday we have reports of 2-4 inches of rain was received in the County. The rain was much needed though. Corn silage harvest is nearly done, high moisture corn harvest is going on as well. Shelled corn harvest is a week or so away and soybeans are very close as well to being harvested. Fourth cutting alfalfa is being cut this week as it looks like we have a nice stretch coming this week. Farmers are still doing haylage and a few are still doing dry hay as well. Pastures are pretty much done but with no killing frost yet pastures are still growing but much slower than usual. Most farmers have been supplementing pasture for the past month or so. Winter wheat is being seeded right now as well.

### **Seneca County, Kathy Mastellar:**

This week most areas received 2-3 inches of rain. Corn silage harvest continued and some soybeans were harvested in the southern end of Seneca County and Schuyler County as well. Wheat is still being planted.

### **Suffolk County, Alice V Wise:**

Harvest continued at a fast pace in Long Island vineyards due in part to the uncertain weather forecast. The week ended well with the path of the hurricane forecasted to be east of Long Island.

### **Warren County, David Holck:**

During the middle of the week our counties got up to 3 inches of rain. We only had 1.5 inches of rain the entire month of August. Dry field conditions prior to this week made for ideal conditions for harvesting corn silage. Corn silage yields were above average, although some producers reported that the corn dried down more quickly than they thought, and they were concerned about the quality of the silage.