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# Crop Progress & Condition

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**Excellent Week for Field Work:** New York had an average of 6.0 days suitable for field work. A few areas reported light rain and cooler weather this past week, with some still being in a D3 drought category. Areas that received light rain reported around 0.5" of much needed precipitation, helping with soil moisture. Several areas have experienced their first frosting of the season, but no crop damage reported yet. Corn silage harvesting continued this week, with several areas reporting lower yields and good moisture condition. Soybean harvesting has begun, with the crop continuing to change color and reports of low yields. Hay regrowth and yields have been reported as good or excellent in most regions containing the crop. Winter wheat planting is in full-swing, with the nice weather and good moisture producing ideal conditions. Vineyards continue harvesting grapes for white wine, with Chardonnay harvesting expected in the coming weeks. Harvest of McIntosh and Honeycrisp apple varieties continued throughout the week, with Cortland, Empire and Macoun harvesting expected to begin soon. Field activities for the week included tillage, fruit harvesting, irrigation, repair and maintenance of equipment.

## Soil Moisture for Week Ending September 25, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	24	22	42	12
SUBSOIL	23	24	43	10

## Crop Conditions as of September 25, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	9	28	43	19	1
CORN	7	9	23	45	16
GRAPES	0	7	25	67	1
HAY, ALFALFA	4	7	38	44	7
HAY, OTHER	5	9	39	42	5
PASTURE AND RANGE	5	12	39	37	7
SOYBEANS	6	10	28	47	9

## Crop Progress as of September 25, 2016

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
FALL TILLAGE: SINGLE	47	38	55	45
BARLEY: HARVESTED	92	88	96	92
CABBAGE: HARVESTED	88	82	76	85
CORN: SILKING	98	93	100	100
CORN: DOUGH	89	80	96	92
CORN: DENTED	70	55	72	58
CORN: MATURE	36	25	51	20
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	5	0	<5	<5
CORN FOR SILAGE: HARVESTED	53	31	54	43
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	84	70	86	86
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	54	35	40	34
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	86	73	83	83
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	41	29	35	28
OATS: HARVESTED	97	92	99	100
ONIONS DRY: HARVESTED	75	70	69	75
POTATOES: HARVESTED	71	50	61	60
SNAP BEANS: HARVESTED	84	72	86	87
SOYBEANS: DROPPING LEAVES	65	46	67	45
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	94	89	92	94
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	32	12	35	30
APPLES: HARVESTED	59	40	43	51
GRAPES: HARVESTED	38	25	36	37

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## September 25, 2016 New York Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2016					
		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	83	34	63	+6	0.33	3	14.85	-6.14	66	2575	+396	4118
	Highmarket	76	31	58	+5	0.30	2	23.16	-4.30	65	1734	+94	3203
	Hooker_12NNW	80	34	62	+10	0.18	2	21.80	-4.12	70	2381	+943	3925
	Lowville	80	32	60	+6	0.15	2	13.51	-6.88	54	2123	+261	3634
	Massena	82	36	62	+7	0.39	2	15.91	-3.27	61	2440	+374	3957
	Watertown_Intl	81	31	61	+6	0.43	2	13.51	-3.89	56	2416	+479	3942
Northeast	Indian_Lake	76	30	57	+7	0.52	3	19.04	-2.27	78	1720	+419	3168
	Malone	79	33	61	+8	0.91	2	16.29	-5.19	63	2143	+466	3619
	Newcomb	79	31	58	+7	0.41	3	20.77	-1.69	72	1785	+398	3232
	North_Creek	81	34	62	+7	0.61	4	16.35	-7.28	66	2187	+258	3696
	Plattsburgh_Int	86	41	64	+9	1.56	4	15.00	-4.25	64	2436	+366	3960
	Tupper_Lake_Sun	81	30	60	+8	1.30	2	22.01	-1.17	68	1897	+468	3357
Western	Avon	85	38	65	+7	0.00	0	10.68	-7.55	55	2560	+382	4107
	Buffalo_Intl_AP	82	43	66	+8	0.00	0	13.44	-7.06	51	2938	+641	4545
	Canandaigua_3S	86	41	66	+7	0.04	1	10.65	-8.48	62	2807	+467	4394
	Colden_1W	81	42	64	+9	0.14	1	19.15	-4.97	72	2407	+546	3971
	Dansville_AP	86	39	67	+10	0.20	1	12.85	-6.06	66	2922	+683	4537
	Geneva_Research	84	40	65	+7	0.30	2	7.59	-11.42	59	2249	+17	3691
	Rochester_NY	85	42	67	+9	0.74	2	12.73	-5.63	60	2985	+711	4580
	Warsaw	80	41	63	+9	0.14	2	18.57	-4.88	77	2249	+506	3782
	Youngstown	83	44	67	+9	0.26	3	11.61	-5.78	60	2877	+548	4445
Central	Auburn_NY	86	38	65	+6	1.02	2	16.63	-4.43	59	2613	+237	4169
	Boonville	78	34	60	+7	0.35	2	25.61	-1.85	68	1934	+294	3408
	Cooperstown	80	38	61	+7	0.71	2	28.61	+5.88	65	2374	+583	3943
	Fulton-Oswego	83	36	64	+5	0.49	1	15.44	-4.84	65	2887	+622	4496
	Oneonta	82	37	64	+8	1.02	3	21.52	-2.94	83	2372	+389	3952
	Sherburne	84	33	64	+8	0.23	1	21.77	+0.14	70	2244	+267	3787
	Syracuse_AP	84	40	65	+7	0.66	1	17.96	-3.64	59	2788	+490	4384
Eastern	Albany_County_A	84	38	66	+9	0.95	2	18.80	-1.83	56	2966	+649	4616
	Alcove_Dam	81	40	64	+8	0.75	1	16.25	-6.16	62	2403	+336	4003
	Brunswick_NY	83	39	66	+11	1.15	3	19.23	-6.65	68	2776	+835	4403
	Buskirk	80	34	62	+6	0.96	3	21.70	-4.18	65	2267	+326	3838
	Cobleskill	83	37	63	+6	1.23	3	21.63	+1.77	68	2280	+250	3821
	Peck_Lake	75	32	58	+2	0.79	3	24.45	-0.35	72	1827	-81	3306
	Saratoga_Spring	82	36	63	+6	1.06	4	18.12	-4.43	57	2557	+201	4153
Southwest	Alfred	80	33	61	+7	0.10	2	17.62	-3.96	72	2064	+376	3597
	Corning	83	37	62	+7	0.16	1	18.59	+0.30	66	2109	+133	3649
	Franklinville	81	33	62	+8	0.16	1	19.80	-3.16	77	2061	+416	3592
	Hornell_Almond_	82	36	63	+9	0.17	3	18.61	-3.05	67	2200	+613	3721
	Jamestown_AP	79	39	64	+8	0.13	1	14.52	-10.61	95	2369	+245	3954
	Olean	83	40	66	+10	0.25	1	18.53	-5.88	76	2403	+662	3992
	Perrysburg	81	39	65	+6	0.40	1	18.98	-1.31	47	2433	+177	4002
Southern	Binghamton_Broo	80	41	64	+8	0.47	1	17.81	-2.91	70	2472	+495	4052
	Elmira_Ag	90	38	67	+9	0.27	2	11.67	-8.01	56	2732	+503	4342
	Ithaca_Cornell_	85	38	64	+8	0.11	1	13.22	-7.35	66	2373	+351	3930
	Mecklenburg	84	35	63	+8	0.02	1	13.16	-8.26	59	2249	+374	3784
	Owego_3WSW	85	38	66	+9	0.73	1	15.37	-5.67	64	2461	+368	4045
	Whitney_Point_L	84	41	65	+8	0.34	1	17.26	-3.78	71	2379	+286	3963
Southeast	Carmel_4N	83	41	65	+5	0.72	2	21.64	-4.37	70	2531	-23	4163
	East_Jewett	80	30	60	+7	0.85	3	17.85	-7.46	64	1848	+414	3351
	Mohonk_Lake	83	41	67	+7	0.44	2	19.89	-6.95	62	2957	+494	4609
	Montgomery_NY_A	85	41	68	+10	0.53	2	18.29	-5.91	62	3036	+701	4720
	New_York_LGA	89	58	75	+9	1.22	3	15.92	-7.17	65	3962	+692	5687
	Poughkeepsie_Ag	83	44	68	+9	0.26	2	18.70	-5.19	59	2894	+439	4563
	Shrub_Oak	86	40	67	+7	0.18	3	17.29	-9.34	60	2869	+327	4536
	Vanderbilt_Muse	84	55	70	+6	0.73	2	14.76	-7.77	65	3202	+307	4890
	Walton	81	34	63	+7	2.74	2	27.15	+2.69	73	2044	+61	3583
	Westhampton	80	39	66	+3	1.48	3	14.22	-7.83	54	2616	-258	4191

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.*

### **Clinton/ Essex Counties; Anna Wallis:**

Harvest of Honeycrisp and McIntosh are well underway in the Champlain Valley. Later varieties including Cortland, Empire, and Macoun will begin soon. Very cool nights have significantly improved red color. Fruit size had improved somewhat. Hail damaged fruit has had a large influence on crop quality this season. Most damaged fruit has been picked for processing. Rain at the end of last week brought greater than 0.5" of accumulation to most places, helping with much needed soil moisture.

### **Cortland/ Tompkins Counties; Jennifer Doty:**

Soybeans are turning. First patchy frost has arrived.

### **Genesee/ Niagara/ Orleans Counties; Nathan R. Herendeen:**

Corn silage harvest continues, yields low. Soybean harvest started, yields low on short season varieties. Hay crop silage harvest continues, good regrowth yields. Wheat planting is at full speed, excellent conditions for planting and emergence, good moisture but not too wet.

### **Livingston County; Dean R. Pendergast:**

Continued D3 drought. Corn silage harvest continues. Soybean harvest has started.

### **Oneida County; Devon Kenny:**

Crops are progressing well with adequate water. Many are beginning to chop silage and some are beginning to harvest high moisture corn. Some corn is in the 20% range for moisture. Pasture is holding and hay yield has been excellent. Soybeans are yellowing and dropping leaves.

### **Ontario County; Joann Rogers, County Executive Director FSA:**

Ontario is still in the D3 Extreme Drought on the US drought monitor; corn and soybean harvest continues; reports of low yield due to the drought; hay and pastures are also suffering from the drought

### **Schuyler/ Seneca Counties; Kathy Mastellar, CED, Seneca/Schuyler FSA:**

Another week of no rain. Temperatures are cooling down and a few nights were cooler. Silage is still being harvested, yields are down, but a little better than expected.

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

Harvest is underway in Long Island vineyards with varieties such as Sauvignon Blanc for table wine. Chardonnay harvest will begin in the next week or two.