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Good Week for Field Work: New York had an average of 5.0 days suitable for field work. Several areas reported light rain this past week, which is good news for regions still falling under a D3 or D4 drought category. Areas that received light rain reported less than 0.5" of precipitation. Lower temperatures brought in some frost throughout the week, causing minor damage to some crops. Growers continued planting winter wheat throughout the week. Corn silage harvesting progressed and several regions report that harvest is already nearly complete. Soybean harvest proceeded throughout the week, with yields being low to good. Pastureland is looking better in comparison to summer months. Apple harvest is nearly complete for Honeycrisp and Gala varieties, with most hail damaged fruit having already been picked for processing; untreated McIntosh apples have started to ripen and should be ready for harvest soon, while McIntosh treated with stop-drop materials are already being harvested. Empire Cortland and Macoun apple varieties should be ready to harvest in the coming weeks. Vineyards continued harvesting grapes for white wine, and yields are average to above average. Field activities for the week included manure spreading and fall tillage, fruit harvesting, irrigation, repair and maintenance of equipment.

Crop Progress as of October 2, 2016

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
FALL TILLAGE: SINGLE	57	47	62	53
BARLEY: HARVESTED	93	92	97	95
CABBAGE: HARVESTED	91	88	77	89
CORN: DOUGH	93	89	100	98
CORN: DENTED	82	70	75	63
CORN: MATURE	54	36	68	38
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	10	5	7	5
CORN FOR SILAGE: HARVESTED	72	53	71	59
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	91	84	87	89
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	61	54	48	43
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	92	86	86	89
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	49	41	45	41
ONIONS DRY: HARVESTED	84	75	71	79
POTATOES: HARVESTED	74	71	70	69
SNAP BEANS: HARVESTED	88	84	92	91
SOYBEANS: DROPPING LEAVES	76	65	80	61
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	11	<5	20	9
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	95	94	93	96
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	55	32	53	49
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	16	<5	5	7
APPLES: HARVESTED	65	59	52	61

Soil Moisture for Week Ending October 2, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	21	24	42	13
SUBSOIL	20	25	45	10

Crop Conditions as of October 2, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	9	28	44	19	0
CORN	7	9	23	45	16
GRAPES	0	7	25	67	1
HAY, ALFALFA	4	6	45	40	5
HAY, OTHER	5	8	42	41	4
PASTURE AND RANGE	4	12	42	36	6
SOYBEANS	6	10	28	48	8

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October 2, 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	74	40	58	+4	0.48	2	15.33	-6.61	68	2633	+414	4246
	Highmarket	67	30	52	+1	0.83	3	23.99	-4.71	68	1752	+89	3289
	Hooker_12NNW	72	35	56	+6	0.62	3	22.28	-4.69	74	2427	+971	4040
	Lowville	70	32	53	+1	0.67	3	14.18	-7.07	57	2147	+255	3725
	Massena	70	33	57	+5	0.14	3	16.05	-3.94	64	2490	+393	4076
	Watertown_Intl	76	35	58	+5	0.36	2	13.87	-4.34	58	2474	+504	4070
Northeast	Indian_Lake	67	33	51	+3	0.28	3	19.32	-2.91	81	1738	+423	3251
	Malone	70	36	54	+4	0.06	2	16.35	-5.90	65	2178	+479	3722
	Newcomb	68	30	51	+3	0.66	4	21.43	-1.93	76	1806	+405	3313
	North_Creek	69	33	53	0	0.39	3	16.74	-7.75	69	2215	+254	3791
	Plattsburgh_Int	71	34	57	+4	0.06	2	15.06	-4.88	66	2484	+382	4077
	Tupper_Lake_Sun	68	30	51	+3	0.03	1	22.04	-2.01	69	1916	+472	3437
Western	Avon	75	38	57	+2	0.46	5	11.10	-7.83	59	2615	+391	4232
	Buffalo_Intl_AP	76	51	61	+6	1.20	6	14.64	-6.65	57	3019	+671	4696
	Canandaigua_3S	74	43	60	+4	1.00	4	11.65	-8.23	66	2873	+479	4530
	Colden_1W	71	45	58	+5	0.95	4	20.10	-5.06	76	2465	+568	4099
	Dansville_AP	78	44	61	+6	0.61	4	13.46	-6.20	70	3001	+715	4686
	Geneva_Research	73	42	57	+2	1.54	5	9.32	-10.48	64	2378	+100	3926
	Rochester_NY	77	46	61	+5	0.67	4	13.40	-5.65	64	3060	+737	4725
	Warsaw	70	41	57	+5	0.67	5	19.24	-5.18	82	2296	+523	3899
	Youngstown	77	45	59	+4	0.97	6	12.58	-5.54	66	2945	+567	4583
Central	Auburn_NY	74	38	57	-1	0.78	4	17.41	-4.51	63	2660	+230	4286
	Boonville	66	36	53	+2	0.97	3	26.58	-2.12	71	1957	+294	3497
	Cooperstown	67	40	55	+3	1.30	4	29.91	+6.35	69	2408	+591	4047
	Fulton-Oswego	73	42	60	+3	0.33	2	15.77	-5.39	67	2956	+637	4635
	Oneonta	71	36	54	+1	0.92	5	22.44	-2.93	88	2403	+382	4053
	Sherburne	71	34	54	0	0.97	5	22.74	+0.26	75	2278	+265	3889
	Syracuse_AP	72	40	58	+3	0.40	3	18.36	-4.10	62	2843	+497	4509
Eastern	Albany_County_A	72	37	58	+4	0.37	3	19.17	-2.18	59	3025	+665	4745
	Alcove_Dam	69	36	54	0	0.73	3	16.98	-6.23	65	2433	+329	4103
	Brunswick_NY	70	38	56	+3	0.52	3	19.75	-7.04	71	2822	+848	4519
	Buskirk	66	34	53	-1	0.29	2	21.99	-4.80	67	2294	+320	3933
	Cobleskill	71	33	53	-2	0.36	3	21.99	+1.43	71	2302	+236	3911
	Peck_Lake	70	32	53	-1	0.47	4	24.92	-0.77	76	1859	-84	3403
	Saratoga_Spring	70	34	54	-2	0.53	3	18.65	-4.70	60	2588	+188	4253
Southwest	Alfred	71	34	54	+2	1.20	5	18.82	-3.62	77	2094	+378	3696
	Corning	71	37	53	-2	1.21	5	19.80	+0.81	71	2129	+117	3739
	Franklinville	72	33	55	+4	0.96	4	20.76	-3.15	81	2098	+423	3699
	Hornell_Almond_	72	36	55	+4	1.27	5	19.88	-2.57	72	2234	+622	3825
	Jamestown_AP	70	48	58	+4	1.07	6	15.59	-10.49	101	2428	+264	4083
	Olean	72	41	57	+5	0.65	4	19.18	-6.17	80	2452	+680	4111
	Perrysburg	72	41	59	+3	1.04	4	20.24	-0.92	51	2496	+189	4135
Southern	Binghamton_Broo	68	39	55	+1	0.75	5	18.56	-2.92	75	2506	+493	4156
	Elmira_Ag	76	38	56	+1	0.85	4	12.52	-7.90	60	2777	+503	4457
	Ithaca_Cornell_	73	38	56	+2	1.18	5	14.40	-7.00	71	2414	+354	4040
	Mecklenburg	72	38	55	+2	1.03	5	14.19	-8.03	64	2283	+376	3888
	Owego_3WSW	77	37	55	+1	0.82	5	16.19	-5.71	69	2499	+364	4153
	Whitney_Point_L	72	36	55	0	0.76	4	18.02	-3.88	75	2417	+282	4071
Southeast	Carmel_4N	65	37	54	-5	0.67	4	22.31	-4.74	74	2563	-52	4264
	East_Jewett	68	30	52	+2	0.89	3	18.74	-7.62	67	1867	+413	3433
	Mohonk_Lake	68	46	57	0	0.96	5	20.76	-7.10	66	3013	+495	4735
	Montgomery_NY_A	74	37	59	+5	0.50	3	18.79	-6.28	65	3103	+724	4857
	New_York_LGA	76	57	65	+2	0.54	2	16.46	-7.42	67	4068	+703	5863
	Poughkeepsie_Ag	71	39	57	+2	0.64	3	19.34	-5.39	62	2945	+441	4684
	Shrub_Oak	75	38	57	-2	0.76	3	18.05	-9.60	63	2918	+318	4655
	Vanderbilt_Muse	71	52	61	-2	0.57	4	15.33	-8.04	69	3278	+297	5036
	Walton	69	32	53	-2	1.29	4	28.44	+3.07	77	2067	+46	3674
	Westhampton	71	35	61	-1	0.89	4	15.11	-7.78	58	2695	-261	4340

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:

Weather is being conducive to corn harvesting. Pastures better now than they were in July and August. Reports of bird damage to corn ears.

Clinton/ Essex Counties; Anna Wallis:

Apple Harvest in the Champlain Valley is nearly complete for Honeycrisp and Gala. Most hail damaged fruit has also been picked for processing. Ethylene detected in untreated McIntosh early last week indicated the crop should be harvested as soon as possible. McIntosh treated with stop-drop materials are being harvested now and will continue this week. Empire Cortland and Macoun will begin as early as the end of this week or next week. Most places received just over 1/10" of rain mid-week which slightly slowed harvest activities, but conditions are still dry overall. The cool weather trend continued. Many locations experienced a first frost on 9/26.

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

Soybean harvest continues, yields low to good. Corn silage harvest nearly done, yields low. Winter wheat planting continuing when weather permits. Light rains every couple of days, not enough to stop silage harvest, but slowing soy harvest and wheat planting. Early planted wheat looking excellent. Maretail weed becoming much more prevalent is soybean. Problem next year in abundance of seed in the fields now.

Lewis County; Joe Lawrence, Cornell University PRO-DAIRY:

Many farms are reporting average to above corn silage yields. Groundwater supply continues to be a growing concern as more water sources are causing problems

Livingston County; Dean R. Pendergast:

Continued D4 drought conditions. Corn silage harvest is nearly complete, soybean harvest continues. Some corn for grain has been harvested.

Oneida County; Devon Kenny:

Weather has been steady but cooler. Beginning of the week was sunny and fair and it got cooler towards the end of the week. Silage is steadily being chopped and grain corn is beginning to be harvested for high moisture. Fall grains are going in and we had our first killing frost. Producers are still harvesting hay as well.

Ontario County; Joann Rogers, County Executive Director FSA:

Ontario County remains in the D3 on the US drought monitor; poor yields being reported for corn and soybeans for grain; manure spreading and fall tillage continues.

Rensselaer/ Saratoga/ Warren/ Washington Counties; David Holck, USDA-Farm Service Agency:

September was a dry month for our counties in eastern New York. We measured 1.95" of rainfall at the Greenwich USDA Service Center and 1.13" was recorded for the month at the Warren County airport. Corn silage harvest is nearing completion and corn grain harvest has begun

Suffolk County; Alice V. Wise:

Harvest of white varieties continued in Long Island vineyards this week. Yields are average or above. Growers are pleased with the quality of fruit.