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Crop Progress & Condition

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Excellent Week for Field Work: New Jersey had an average of 6.0 days suitable for field work. The field preparation has begun for planting. Overwintered spinach under floating cover almost ready to harvest. Lettuce and cabbage transplanting almost 100% caught up after late start due to cool, wet weather. Overwinter asparagus, dandelion and spinach being harvested. Continue planting and transplanting arugula, beets, cilantro, cabbage, collards, escarole, endive parsley, sweet corn, kohlrabi, kale, leeks, Swiss chard and green onions. Tomato and squash transplanting started.

Crop Progress as of April 19, 2015 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES GREEN TIP	20	N/A	N/A	N/A
APPLES PINK	5	N/A	<5	<5

Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 19, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Subsoil	0	1	86	13
Topsoil	0	5	85	10

Crop Conditions as of April 19, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Poor				
HAY,	0	0	23	76	1
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HAY, OTHER	0	0	19	80	1
WINTER	1	2	8	88	1
WHEAT					

April 19, 2015 New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

	Last Week Weather Summary					Accumulation Since April 1, 2015						
	Temperature		Precipitation I		Pre	Precipitation		GDD Base 50F		Base 40F		
Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Andover	80	36	55	+9	0.14	2	1.56	-0.95	6	56	+50	175
Belvidere_Bridg	79	28	53	+6	0.13	2	1.41	-1.06	6	36	+29	150
Cape_May	73	43	57	+6	1.11	3	2.85	+0.73	8	72	+37	235
Estell_Manor	78	40	58	+8	0.87	4	2.02	-0.22	10	83	+57	235
Flemington	80	36	58	+9	0.04	1	0.50	-2.01	7	66	+50	193
Freehold_Marlbo	80	36	57	+7	0.23	3	1.03	-1.44	7	73	+46	216
Hammonton	80	32	58	+6	0.52	4	1.73	-0.77	11	77	+38	233
Lakehurst_NAS	79	41	59	+9	0.32	4	0.94	-1.25	10	97	+67	245
Marlton	82	39	59	+8	0.43	3	1.34	-1.12	9	94	+49	254
Millville	77	36	59	+7	0.85	4	1.78	-0.48	10	109	+69	257
Mt_Holly_NWS	79	36	58	+7	0.45	4	0.97	-1.28	10	80	+44	227
Newark	82	45	60	+9	0.07	1	0.56	-1.90	7	107	+65	262
New_Brunswick	81	38	59	+9	0.08	2	0.54	-2.00	7	82	+58	225
Pennsauken	81	41	59	+6	0.32	4	1.06	-1.42	11	90	+33	243
Seabrook_Farms	78	41	59	+7	0.59	3	1.35	-0.92	10	94	+53	253
Sussex_2NW	81	34	56	+9	0.22	1	1.28	-1.51	6	46	+41	155
Trenton	80	42	60	+11	0.11	3	0.46	-2.01	8	113	+90	259

 $Summary\ based\ on\ NWS\ data.\ DFN = Departure\ From\ Normal.$ 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.

Atlantic County, Richard Vanvranken

Overwintered spinach under floating cover almost ready to harvest. Lettuce and cabbages -- transplanting almost 100% caught up after late start due to cool, wet weather.

Burlington County, Nick Morolda

Field preparation continues.

Cumberland County, Dr. Wesley Kline

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Monmouth County, Bill Sciarappa

Stinkbugs, ticks and turf moths.

Salem County, Jasen Berkowitz

Tillage work, livestock condition good, livestock birthing of many species, dairy production average.