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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. There were less than 2 inches of rain reported. Weather is warm and humid. As a result of poor first cutting, Hay prices are going up. Farmers are finishing up their spring harvest and working more on summer harvest. Planting continues for the following crops: beans, basil cilantro, collards, sweet corn, cucumbers, parsley, peppers, summer squash, cantaloupe and summer dandelion. The following crops are being harvested: arugula, beans, beets, basil, cabbage, cilantro, collards, cucumbers, summer dandelion, dill, kale, leeks, lettuces, mint, parsley, peas, summer squash, Swiss chard, green onions, spinach, radishes and strawberries.

## Crop Progress as of June 14, 2015 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
CORN: EMERGED	97	91	89	74
HAY, ALFALFA: FIRST CUTTING	96	91	77	40
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	16	0	0	0
HAY, OTHER: FIRST CUTTING	76	73	72	40
SOYBEANS: PLANTED	66	29	88	70
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	45	25	63	55

## Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 14, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	5	16	70	9
SUBSOIL	4	12	75	9

## Crop Conditions as of June 14, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
HAY, ALFALFA	4	4	40	45	7
HAY, OTHER	3	9	60	27	1
PASTURE AND RANGE	3	8	22	35	32
WINTER WHEAT	2	5	23	69	1

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## June 14, 2015 New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

Station	Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2015					
	Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Andover	87	55	72	+7	1.00	3	7.80	-2.79	22	778	+285	1433
Belvidere_Bridg	88	50	70	+5	1.62	3	6.17	-4.00	19	672	+152	1319
Cape_May	89	60	74	+6	0.58	2	7.55	-0.84	22	890	+216	1603
Estell_Manor	90	56	74	+7	0.15	2	8.62	+0.57	25	918	+278	1614
Flemington	92	53	74	+7	0.87	1	7.59	-3.40	27	835	+259	1505
Freehold_Marlbo	92	57	74	+6	0.21	1	5.67	-3.68	20	858	+205	1548
Hammonton	93	52	75	+6	0.63	2	9.55	-0.21	32	949	+227	1649
Lakehurst_NAS	94	54	75	+7	0.57	4	6.21	-2.42	26	927	+244	1623
Marlton	94	60	76	+7	0.95	1	6.97	-2.71	26	966	+212	1675
Millville	91	57	76	+7	0.32	2	10.05	+0.99	26	993	+262	1686
Mt_Holly_NWS	91	59	75	+6	0.65	1	5.27	-4.44	24	900	+187	1591
Newark	93	62	77	+7	0.11	1	9.22	-0.73	20	1024	+248	1731
New_Brunswick	92	57	74	+7	0.66	2	6.47	-3.94	26	891	+251	1580
Pennsauken	92	60	76	+5	0.63	1	7.21	-2.90	26	977	+174	1681
Seabrook_Farms	92	61	76	+7	1.31	2	7.37	-1.85	26	996	+249	1700
Sussex_2NW	88	53	70	+5	1.18	3	7.82	-3.22	24	721	+248	1363
Trenton	92	59	76	+9	0.83	1	6.17	-4.01	24	978	+355	1672

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.*

### **Cumberland County, Dr. Wesley Kline**

Spring harvests are starting to conclude and summer harvests are increasing. The following crops are being harvested: arugula, beans, beets, basil, cabbage, cilantro, collards, cucumbers, summer dandelion, dill, kale, leeks, lettuces, mint, parsley, peas, summer squash, Swiss chard, green onions, spinach, radishes and strawberries. Tomatoes, peppers and sweet corn harvest will start between the last week of June and the first week of July. Eggplant should start the first of July. Planting continues on beans, basil, cilantro, collards, sweet corn, cucumbers, parsley, peppers, summer squash, cantaloupe and summer dandelion.

### **Hunterdon County, Bob Mickel**

With pastures still running behind normal growth, many livestock growers are supplementing animals while on grass. Due to poor

first cuttings, hay prices are going up and a lot of hay is being sold as it is made. With the current rain events growers should be top dressing for second cuttings.

### **Mercer County, Meredith Melendez**

Basil, beets, broccoli, cabbage, cukes, peas, sweet cherries, summer squash, greens, herbs, head lettuce, potatoes, radishes, strawberries are all being harvested.

### **Monmouth County, Bill Sciarappa**

Heat and humidity returning, more rain needed.

### **Salem County, Jasen Berkowitz**

Side dressing N on corn, planting soybeans, spraying herbicide, livestock condition good, milk production average