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Excellent Week for Field Work: New Jersey had an average of 6 days suitable for field work. Temperatures are finally starting to drop down, with daily temperatures in the low to mid- 60's and nightly temperatures hitting the low 20's across much of the state. Taking a look back at the past eight months, using data provided by the New Jersey State Climatologist, David Robinson, New Jersey had above-normal average monthly temperatures. In fact, September and May were the third warmest on record going all the way back to 1895, while average temperatures in October were just slightly cooler than historic norms. For statewide precipitation, he reports that June was the fourth wettest, but April, May, July, August, and September were dryer than normal. For November, topsoil and subsoil moisture levels continue to hold at adequate in most areas with little surplus and the harvest of leafy greens and herbs continues. As the harvest comes to a close, most farms are cleaning up fields now and hope to have harvest activities completed within the next two weeks.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 29, 2015 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	5	9	81	5
SUBSOIL	4	13	78	5

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November 29, 2015 New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

	Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2015					
	Temperature		Precipitation		Precipitation		GDD Base 50F		Base 40F			
Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Andover	62	20	41	+4	0.02	1	26.77	-6.90	70	3231	+760	5412
Belvidere_Bridg	64	19	39	+2	0.01	1	29.60	-2.30	65	2977	+303	5116
Cape_May	67	26	48	+4	0.17	1	29.43	+2.57	75	4051	+627	6395
Estell_Manor	68	21	45	+3	0.27	2	34.85	+8.02	75	3768	+578	6041
Flemington	65	21	41	+2	0.03	1	25.81	-8.16	72	3517	+684	5712
Freehold_Marlbo	64	22	43	+2	0.05	1	24.41	-7.12	66	3718	+603	5977
Hammonton	66	23	43	+1	0.10	1	32.14	+1.66	95	3914	+584	6173
Lakehurst_NAS	66	19	43	0	0.05	1	24.21	-5.17	74	3737	+474	5977
Marlton	66	23	44	+1	0.08	1	28.24	-3.43	73	3932	+572	6226
Millville	68	21	45	+3	0.23	1	32.61	+4.28	74	4028	+591	6306
Mt_Holly_NWS	65	22	42	-2	0.05	1	25.76	-6.44	65	3638	+342	5880
Newark	66	27	46	+4	0.03	1	23.61	-7.79	56	4370	+799	6700
New_Brunswick	67	23	44	+3	0.04	1	22.68	-10.85	72	3843	+721	6106
Pennsauken	64	25	43	-2	0.09	1	30.24	-1.56	73	3878	+271	6148
Seabrook_Farms	65	28	45	+3	0.25	1	33.15	+3.38	72	4020	+553	6322
Sussex_2NW	62	19	39	+3	0.04	1	26.90	-6.50	75	3011	+565	5129
Trenton	65	24	44	+4	0.03	1	23.02	-10.36	73	4006	+983	6291

 $Summary\ based\ on\ NWS\ data.\ DFN = Departure\ From\ Normal.$ Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.

Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit.

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Reporters Comments, By County

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Atlantic County, Richard Vanvranken

Harvest of leafy greens and herbs continues. Cleaning up fields now. Should be finished in next week or two.

Monmouth County, Bill Sciarappa Happy Thanksgiving!