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Excellent Week for Field Work: New Jersey had an average of 7.0 days suitable for field work. High temperatures reaching the low to high 90's and low temperatures in the low 50's to low 60's. All stations reported little or no rain for the week. All stations reported much warmer than normal temperatures.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending September 11, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	7	37	46	10
SUBSOIL	4	31	53	12

Crop Conditions as of September 11, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN	3	3	55	33	6
HAY, ALFALFA	1	2	34	53	10
HAY, OTHER	1	1	43	54	1
PASTURE AND RANGE	2	12	41	41	4
SOYBEANS	2	2	45	46	5

Crop Progress as of September 11, 2016

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
CORN: DOUGH	75	64	89	N/A
CORN: DENTED	54	39	33	49
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	79	66	79	62
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	65	45	36	40
SOYBEANS: SETTING PODS	97	93	90	77
SOYBEANS: FULLY PODDED	75	64	N/A	N/A
SOYBEANS: COLORING	9	N/A	N/A	N/A
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	69	56	55	74

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September 11, 2016 New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

Station	Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2016					
	Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Andover	91	53	75	+12	0.00	0	18.33	-5.30	61	2758	+544	4301
Belvidere_Bridg	94	52	76	+11	0.16	1	15.90	-6.21	58	2671	+330	4198
Cape_May	92	62	78	+8	0.16	1	19.66	+1.31	55	3224	+405	4799
Estell_Manor	96	58	78	+10	0.00	0	21.37	+2.45	67	3153	+427	4716
Flemington	95	54	77	+11	0.00	0	19.93	-3.68	62	2986	+501	4526
Freehold_Marlbo	97	53	76	+9	0.11	2	17.55	-4.00	65	3063	+381	4622
Hammonton	96	58	78	+10	0.00	0	20.18	-1.19	75	3227	+364	4793
Manasquan	94	63	75	+8	0.18	1	15.71	-5.84	55	2847	+165	4376
Marlton	95	57	77	+9	0.00	0	21.98	-0.61	63	3132	+265	4692
Millville	95	56	79	+9	0.03	1	18.48	-1.57	62	3193	+276	4767
Mt_Holly_NWS	94	57	77	+9	0.06	1	18.39	-4.66	59	3050	+254	4600
Newark	93	58	80	+10	0.01	1	14.60	-7.40	53	3478	+445	5061
New_Brunswick	96	57	78	+11	0.00	0	16.78	-6.82	58	3146	+453	4712
Pennsauken	95	58	78	+8	0.00	0	20.85	-1.74	64	3216	+168	4781
Seabrook_Farms	94	57	78	+8	0.07	1	20.96	+0.03	60	3194	+252	4771
Sussex_2NW	92	51	74	+11	0.32	1	16.46	-7.12	58	2592	+407	4115
Trenton	97	59	80	+13	0.10	1	16.64	-7.15	60	3274	+662	4841

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.

Monmouth County, Bill Sciarappa

Hurricane missed us - but sparse rain not sufficient.

Salem County, Jasen Berkowitz

Very dry conditions, irrigation activity, hay work, livestock condition good, milk production may be below average due to heat stress.

JERSEY FRESH AVAILABILITY FOR SEPTEMBER 12, 2016

APPLES	Harvesting Gala & Ginger Gold, McIntosh, Courtland, Honeycrisp, & Early Fuji. Red & Golden Delicious, Empire, Jonagold, and MacCoun next. Cool nights would help in the development of color in many varieties.
ARUGULA	Harvesting good quality product in light to increasing volume as the weather cools. It will be several weeks for volume.
BABY KALE, SPINACH & ARUGULA	Harvesting very good quality products in good volume.
BASIL	Harvesting excellent quality in fair to decreasing volume. Likes warmth.
BEETS	Harvesting a good volume of very good quality product.
CABBAGE	Harvesting a good volume of good quality product.
CILANTRO	Harvesting good quality product in light to increasing volume as the weather cools. It will be several weeks for volume.
COLLARDS	Harvesting a good volume of good quality Spring planted product.
CUCUMBERS	Harvesting a fair volume of very good quality cukes.
DANDELIONS	Good quality Italian bunched product available in fair to good volume.
DILL	Harvesting a light to increasing volume of very good quality product.
EGGPLANT	Harvesting excellent quality in good volume.
ESCAROLE & ENDIVE	Harvesting a light to increasing volume as the weather cools. It will be several weeks for volume.
KALE	Very good quality Spring planted product harvesting in good volume.
LEEKs	A fair volume of good quality product is available.
MINT	Very good quality harvesting in good volume.
NECTARINES	Harvesting excellent quality in light to decreasing volume.
PARSLEY	Harvesting a fair volume of good quality Spring product.
PEACHES	Entire crop is about 25% off this year to early April frost. Harvesting a fair to decreasing volume of excellent quality, good size, yellow & white varieties.
PEPPERS	Harvesting excellent quality in good volume.
RADISHES	Harvesting very good quality product in light to increasing volume as the weather cools. It will be several weeks for volume.
SPINACH	A light to increasing volume of good quality product is available as the weather cools. It will be several weeks for volume.
SQUASH	Harvesting good quantities of excellent quality Summer squashes, as well as hard squashes like butternut and acorn.
SWEET CORN	A fair to decreasing volume of good quality product available. Quality will vary a bit now as seasonal insect pressures mount.
SWEET POTATOES	Starting to harvest good quality potatoes, but with curing, volume won't be available until late month.
SWISS CHARD	Harvesting a good volume of good quality product.
TOMATOES	A good volume of very good quality available.
TURNIPS	Harvesting good quality in light to fair & increasing volume.
WHITE POTATOES	Harvesting a good volume of mainly round white varieties, Redskin varieties, and a bit of Russets as well. Source your N.J. white potatoes in their distinctive "Jersey Fresh" bags.

JERSEY FRESH FORECAST

CRANBERRIES	Harvest starting in 3-4 weeks. Cool nights would help with color development.
LETTUCES	Growers should start harvesting their Fall lettuces in two weeks or so, later than normal, because the mid-Summer heat discouraged early planting.