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Crop Progress & Condition







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Excellent Week for Field Work: New Jersey had an average of 6.5 days suitable for field work. High temperatures reaching the upper 70's to lower 80's and low temperatures in the low 20's to high 30's. Temperatures were warmer than normal across New Jersey. Precipitation varied. For the entire season so far, precipitation has been less than normal except for stations in three southern counties: Cumberland, Atlantic, and Cape May. The following crops are continuously being harvested: beets, bok choi, cilantro, cabbage, dill, kale, leeks, parsley, fennel, late peppers, radishes, Swiss chard, scallions, spinach, high tunnel and greenhouse tomatoes, turnips, cauliflower and broccoli.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 6, 2016

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	8	25	52	15
SUBSOIL	11	23	53	13

(in percent)

Crop Conditions as of November 6, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Poor				
HAY,	0	3	26	61	10
ALFALFA					
HAY, OTHER	0	1	45	51	3
PASTURE AND	0	7	43	44	6
RANGE					
SOYBEANS	2	6	51	36	5

Crop Progress as of November 6, 2016 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	77	68	87	74
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	56	55	53	58
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	35	30	25	52
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	61	48	70	56

November 6, 2016 New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

	Last Week Weather Summary					Accumulation Since April 1, 2016						
	Temperature		Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F		
Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Andover	75	28	51	+7	0.62	2	23.09	-7.50	79	3249	+778	5278
Belvidere_Bridg	76	26	49	+3	0.34	1	19.78	-9.19	73	3111	+437	5111
Cape_May	80	35	55	+3	0.00	0	34.11	+9.74	67	3986	+590	6105
Estell_Manor	81	31	54	+5	0.05	1	30.30	+6.15	80	3777	+594	5868
Flemington	80	28	51	+5	0.14	1	22.28	-8.57	76	3488	+655	5517
Freehold_Marlbo	79	33	53	+5	1.15	1	24.14	-4.12	81	3625	+514	5705
Hammonton	78	32	53	+4	0.18	2	27.38	-0.15	90	3827	+507	5915
Manasquan	78	38	55	+7	0.42	1	23.56	-4.70	71	3434	+323	5487
Marlton	78	32	53	+4	0.27	2	27.08	-1.67	76	3715	+366	5790
Millville	81	29	54	+4	0.06	1	26.25	+0.60	75	3883	+459	5984
Mt_Holly_NWS	75	32	51	+1	0.44	1	22.88	-6.42	71	3583	+299	5641
Newark	78	37	57	+7	0.92	1	19.55	-8.70	66	4191	+633	6306
New_Brunswick	80	32	54	+6	0.32	1	21.15	-9.14	74	3721	+602	5800
Pennsauken	76	34	52	+1	0.19	2	26.49	-2.41	77	3792	+206	5868
Seabrook_Farms	77	30	54	+4	0.12	2	28.24	+1.11	71	3871	+417	5975
Sussex_2NW	73	26	49	+5	0.37	2	19.69	-10.96	74	3010	+564	5001
Trenton	78	32	55	+7	0.56	2	20.71	-9.70	75	3920	+898	6010

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 L. Kline

Frosts continue with most summer vegetable crops finished in the field. Field corn and soybean harvest continue and should finish in a timely matter this year. There has been good weather for both harvests. Harvest continues on beets, bok choi, cilantro, cabbage, dill, kale, leeks, parsley, fennel, late peppers, radishes, Swiss chard, scallions, spinach, high tunnel and greenhouse tomatoes, turnips, cauliflower and broccoli.

Monmouth County, Bill Sciarappa

Season ending in the field - Halloween produce sales on-farm and off looked good. More holidays coming for Ag markets.

Salem County, Jasen Berkowitz

Corn harvest finishing up, soybean harvest continuing, cover crop being planted, finishing up hay as weather allows, livestock condition good, milk production average for time of year.

JERSEY FRESH AVAILABILITY FOR NOVEMBER 7, 2016

APPLES	Many varieties harvested & in storage. Still harvesting Cameo, Stayman/Winesap,
	Rome, Fuji, and Mitsu. Storage apples & cider available through Christmas.
ARUGULA	Harvesting good quality product in fair to light & decreasing volume. Frost will
	hurt.
BABY KALE,	Finishing up. Frost will hurt.
SPINACH &	
ARUGULA	
BEETS	Harvesting a fair to decreasing volume of very good quality product. Tops will be
	hurt by frost first. Available through Thanksgiving.
BROCCOLI,	Although not available wholesale, these Fall products are available thru direct
BR. SPROUTS,	marketers until a hard freeze. Broccoli is a bit less hardy and available for another
CAULIFLOWER	week or so. Harvesting very good quality and fair to light & decreasing volume.
CABBAGE	Harvesting a fair volume of good quality product. Can tolerate some frost.
	Available thru Thanksgiving.
CILANTRO	Harvesting good quality product in fair to light & decreasing volume. Frost will
	hurt.
COLLARDS &	Harvesting a fair to decreasing volume of very good quality product. Likes cooler
KALE	weather and can tolerate a bit of frost. Available through Thanksgiving.
CRANBERRIES	Harvesting. Cool nights are helping with color development.
DANDELIONS	Good quality Italian bunched product available in fair to good volume.
DILL	Harvesting a light to decreasing volume of very good quality. Frost will hurt.
EGGPLANT	Finishing up. Frost will hurt.
ESCAROLE &	Harvesting a fair to decreasing volume. Can tolerate a little frost.
ENDIVE	
LEEKS	A fair volume of good quality product is available.
LETTUCES	The more delicate leaf lettuces are finishing. Growers harvesting very good quality
	hearty Romaine in light to decreasing volume. Frost will hurt
PARSLEY	Harvesting a fair to decreasing volume of good quality product. Likes cooler
	weather and can tolerate a bit of frost.
PEPPERS	Finishing up. Frost will hurt.
PUMPKINS	Good quality due to dry growing conditions & lack of disease pressure the last two
	months. This should result in better hardness or shelf life. Smaller sizes in fields
DADIGHEG	w/o regular irrigation.
RADISHES	Harvesting very good quality product in fair to decreasing volume. Likes cooler
CDYNIA CYT	weather.
SPINACH	A fair to light & decreasing volume of good quality available. Can tolerate a little
COTIA	frost.
SQUASH	Fair to decreasing volume of very good quality hard squashes like butternut and
CHARLES	acorn thru Thanksgiving.
SWEET	Harvesting very good quality potatoes, with a cured volume in storage &
POTATOES	available.
SWISS CHARD	Harvesting a fair to decreasing volume of good quality product.
TURNIPS	Harvesting good quality in fair to decreasing volume. Likes cooler weather.
WHITE	Harvesting a good volume of mainly round white varieties, Redskin varieties, & a
POTATOES	bit of Russets. Source your white potatoes in their distinctive "Jersey Fresh" bags.