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Good Week for Field Work: New Jersey had an average of 4.5 days suitable for field work. High temperatures were mostly in the high 40's and 50's, with Cape May reporting the highest temperature of 62 degrees. Lows were in the 20's across the state.

A Nor'easter hit New Jersey Thursday, dropping a wintry mix of rain, snow, and freezing rain across the state and knocking out power in many areas. This storm was abnormal for November and some areas saw up to 10 inches of snowfall. Per northjersey.com, the amount of snowfall caught much of the state by surprise, because "weather models had predicted just 2 inches of snow and a tenth of an inch of freezing rain as recently as Wednesday night, according to Joe Pollina, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service."

Across NJ, harvesting continues on fall crops such as cabbage, kale, leeks, spinach and turnips. The last of the field corn is being harvested and soybean harvest continues. Most vegetable growers are cleaning up fields and starting to prepare greenhouses for seeding in December. A few herbs and hardy greens are all that remain for the season.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 18, 2018 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	0	0	67	33
SUBSOIL	0	0	62	38

Crop Conditions as of November 18, 2018

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN	22	38	14	26	0
PASTURE AND RANGE	0	6	33	61	0
SOYBEANS	4	17	29	47	3
WINTER WHEAT	15	15	25	45	0

Crop Progress as of November 18, 2018

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	83	70	86	87
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	81	80	N/A	N/A
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	53	45	80	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	90	89	N/A	N/A
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	87	69	N/A	N/A
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	64	55	83	76

November 18, 2018 New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

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	Last Week Weather Summary					Accumulation Since April 1, 2018						
	Temperature		Precip	itation	Pre	ecipitation		GDD Base 50F		Base 40F		
Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
ANDOVER AEROFLE	47	24	35	-7	1.61	4	45.35	+13.06	113	3194	+404	5134
BELVIDERE BRIDG	46	22	34	-9	1.17	1	46.54	+14.71	98	3028	+122	4897
CAPE MAY 2 NW	62	29	45	-4	1.94	4	36.76	+10.05	84	3964	+358	6058
ESTELL MANOR	60	25	41	-5	3.14	3	44.80	+15.04	96	3960	+618	6059
FLEMINGTON 5 NN	48	25	36	-7	2.14	3	46.11	+12.74	109	3466	+452	5466
FREEHOLD-MARLBO	53	26	39	-7	3.36	3	43.35	+12.72	113	3790	+446	5866
HAMMONTON 1 NE	51	27	40	-6	2.68	3	43.44	+13.57	106	3904	+428	6003
MANASQUAN	58	29	41	-4	2.89	3	50.67	+19.70	93	3454	+294	5481
MILLVILLE MUNIC	52	24	40	-6	2.44	4	41.23	+14.47	109	3904	+538	5990
MT HOLLY WFO	50	25	38	-8	2.34	3	39.12	+8.08	96	3658	+280	5667
NEW BRUNSWICK 3	50	26	38	-7	2.51	4	40.08	+7.51	105	3670	+389	5676
NEWARK LIBERTY	50	28	40	-7	2.35	4	39.78	+9.48	115	4046	+366	6160
PENNSAUKEN 1N	49	26	37	-9	2.38	2	42.61	+10.70	101	3796	+188	5852
SEABROOK FARMS	50	28	40	-8	2.37	2	36.95	+7.10	76	3612	-84	5595
SUSSEX 3 WNW	47	22	34	-8	1.53	3	47.11	+14.54	111	3020	+472	4882
TRENTON MERCER	49	27	39	-7	1.84	4	43.00	+11.29	109	3909	+589	5988

Summary based on NOAA Regional Climate Centers (RCCs) data. DFN = departure from normal.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. Climate normals used are for the 1981-2010 period.

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 - Field clean-up of a few herbs and hardy greens are all that remain for the season.

Cumberland County, Dr. Wesley L. Kline - Harvesting continues on fall crops such as cabbage, kale, leeks, spinach and turnips. The last of the field corn is being harvested and soybean harvest continues. Most vegetable growers are cleanup fields and starting to prepare greenhouses for seeding in December.