# **Crop Progress & Condition**

NEW JERSEY

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**Excellent Week for Field Work:** New Jersey had an average of 6.5 days suitable for field work.

Crop Progress (in %):

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The hard winter in New Jersey has caused a delay in the planting season so there is no crop progress to report.

## **Crop Condition (in %):**

	Very	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
	Poor						
Нау	2	11	55	29	3		
Alfalfa							
Hay others	1	7	48	42	2		
Pasture	11	14	40	32	3		
Winter	5	7	38	48	2		
Wheat							

The weather is getting better. According to the reporter, Oats, Alfalfa and grasses are being planted. The producers started planting for the spring. After the long winter, finally the weather is getting better for the spring crops. Looking to the week ahead, temperatures in New Jersey range from the low 40's to the high 60's towards the end of the week.

Field activities for the week included planting Oats, Alfalfa and grasses and a small amount Sweet Corn.

## NJ Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 13, 2014

	Very	Short	Adequate	Surplus		
	Short					
Topsoil	0%	2%	75%	23%		
Subsoil	0%	2%	68%	30%		

	Last Week Weather Summary					Accumulation Since April 1, 2014						
	Temperature		Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F		
Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Andover	71	27	50	+5	0.44	2	0.80	-0.89	4	20	+20	100
Belvidere_Bridg	71	28	48	+3	0.72	3	1.04	-0.65	5	9	+8	81
Cape_May	70	33	54	+5	0.42	2	0.47	-1.01	4	44	+25	157
Estell_Manor	79	31	52	+4	0.27	1	0.31	-1.27	2	30	+17	135
Flemington	76	28	50	+3	0.40	2	0.87	-0.82	5	23	+17	102
Freehold_Marlbo	77	31	54	+6	0.57	1	0.93	-0.77	5	35	+22	136
Hammonton	80	32	53	+4	0.42	1	0.46	-1.26	2	38	+18	146
Lakehurst_NAS	80	26	52	+4	0.48	1	0.48	-1.05	1	32	+17	123
Marlton	79	33	54	+4	0.94	2	1.18	-0.54	5	43	+19	151
Millville	78	31	54	+4	0.36	1	0.40	-1.20	2	43	+22	152
Mt_Holly_NWS	79	33	53	+4	0.77	1	0.93	-0.65	3	34	+15	140
Newark	77	38	56	+6	0.80	2	1.17	-0.52	5	48	+26	160
New_Brunswick	77	30	52	+4	0.50	1	0.80	-0.93	4	30	+19	119
Pennsauken	79	35	54	+3	0.72	1	0.91	-0.79	3	41	+9	152
Seabrook_Farms	80	35	55	+5	0.34	1	0.44	-1.16	3	42	+20	161
Sussex_2NW	73	25	48	+4	0.19	1	0.35	-1.54	3	15	+15	84
Trenton	78	34	54	+6	0.39	2	0.64	-1.05	5	42	+32	147

## April 13, 2014 New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal.

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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.

BURLINGTON County, NICK MOROLDA, Producers are beginning to work their fields for spring planting

#### MERCER County, MEREDITH MELENDEZ

Growers are still preparing transplants in greenhouses. Minimal sweet corn and field crops have been planted due to ground temperatures.

#### MONMOUTH County, BILL SCIARAPPA

Soil temps are especially cold at 2 and 6 inches - below 50. This

would cause poor germination, root growth and herbicide activity for early plantings.

## SALEM County, JASEN BERKOWITZ

Winter wheat, alfalfa and grasses are greening up, tillage work as soil becomes fit for work, livestock condition good with young being born, milk production average

## WARREN County, Debra Crisman

Oats, alfalfa and grasses are being planted. Cold temps this week could be a concern for plants.

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