

United States Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service

Crop Progress & Condition



Jersey



Bruce Eklund. State Statistician

P.O. Box 330, Trenton, NJ 08625

Phone: 800-328-0179

Fax: 800-625-7581

www.nass.usda.gov/nj Week ending June 5, 2016

Issued weekly on the internet, April - November by the Northeastern Regional Field Office of NASS nassrfoner@nass.usda.gov Released June 6, 2016

Excellent Week for Field Work: New Jersey had an average of 6.0 days suitable for field work. Warmer weather welcomed. Above normal temperatures with significant rain. Highs near 90, lows near 60 depending upon locale. In Cumberland County, the following crops are being planted: arugula, beets, basil, cilantro, collards, cucumbers, eggplant, kale, leeks, melons, summer dandelion, parsley, peppers, sweet corn, Swiss chard, sweet corn, scallions, summer squash, tomatoes and watermelon. In Cumberland County, following crops are being harvested: arugula, asparagus, cabbage, collards, dill, escarole, endive, kale, leeks, lettuces, mint, parsley, radishes, spinach, strawberries, Swiss chard, and summer squash.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 5, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	1	9	72	18
SUBSOIL	1	7	71	21

Crop Conditions as of June 5, 2016

(in percent)

Item	Very	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Poor				
HAY,	0	3	33	57	7
ALFALFA					
HAY,	0	1	18	80	1
OTHER					
PASTURE	0	2	37	56	5
AND					
RANGE					
WINTER	0	1	25	70	4
WHEAT					

Crop Progress as of June 5, 2016

(in percent)

Item	This	Last	Last	5
	Week	Week	Year	Year Avg.
CORN: PLANTED	88	81	94	73
CORN: EMERGED	75	63	89	64
HAY, ALFALFA: FIRST CUTTING	64	56	89	36
HAY, OTHER: FIRST CUTTING	38	32	71	31
SOYBEANS: PLANTED	61	44	21	36
SOYBEANS: EMERGED	42	23	18	19

June 5, 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	87	57	72	+9	0.91	5	5.59	-3.65	32	537	+168	1100
Belvidere_Bridg	87	55	71	+8	0.95	5	5.63	-3.29	27	469	+77	1016
Cape_May	80	62	70	+5	1.10	2	10.21	+2.74	30	550	+27	1145
Estell_Manor	85	59	72	+7	1.52	3	9.65	+2.41	33	578	+85	1161
Flemington	92	58	73	+9	0.43	4	5.34	-4.39	32	561	+121	1121
Freehold_Marlbo	90	59	73	+7	1.24	4	6.01	-2.24	31	580	+73	1159
Hammonton	88	61	74	+7	0.51	4	8.18	-0.35	35	593	+26	1179
Manasquan	85	58	68	+3	0.26	3	5.68	-2.57	30	458	-49	1007
Marlton	89	61	74	+7	2.82	4	10.64	+2.06	30	590	-5	1170
Millville	85	61	73	+6	0.19	3	7.26	-0.79	32	577	+5	1171
Mt_Holly_NWS	88	59	72	+5	3.19	5	9.47	+0.93	30	554	-5	1124
Newark	88	63	74	+6	1.64	3	5.01	-3.94	25	693	+84	1296
New_Brunswick	90	60	73	+7	1.67	3	5.97	-3.32	30	610	+117	1196
Pennsauken	89	60	73	+5	3.04	3	10.64	+1.67	32	597	-38	1182
Seabrook_Farms	87	62	73	+6	2.23	5	10.01	+1.80	29	597	+12	1194
Sussex_2NW	90	55	72	+9	0.83	5	5.65	-4.01	28	466	+113	1009
Trenton	88	60	74	+8	0.72	3	5.27	-3.74	27	620	+141	1207

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

Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit.

Copyright 2016: Agricultural Weather Information Service, Inc. All rights reserved.

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 Kline

Grower still trying to get summer crops planted between rain showers. Following crops are being planted: arugula, beets, basil, cilantro, collards, sweet corn, melons, cucumbers, summer dandelion, eggplant, kale, leeks, parsley, peppers, summer squash, Swiss chard, scallions, tomatoes and watermelon. Following crops are being harvested: arugula, asparagus, collards, dill, escarole, endive kale, leeks, lettuces, mint, parsley, radishes, spinach, strawberries, Swiss chard, cabbage and summer squash.

Monmouth County, Bill Sciarappa

Scattered showers - uneven rain amounts. strawberry harvests Ok - lost some large king berries in freezes summer transplants going in - tomato/pepper/squash/etc. catching up on delays from a cold/wet spring with higher temps

Salem County, Jasen Berkowitz

Finishing planting corn and beans, trying to get hay work in between rain events, livestock condition good, milk production average for time of year but may be slightly lower due to heat and humidity

JERSEY FRESH AVAILABILITY FOR JUNE 6, 2016

ARUGULA	Harvesting good quality Spring planted product in fair to good volume.
ASPARAGUS	Harvesting very good quality product in fair to declining volume. Last week with
	commercial volume. Expect the color and volume to fade as the weather warms & encourages product to "bolt".
BABY KALE,	Harvesting very good quality products in good volume.
SPINACH &	
ARUGULA	
BEETS	Harvesting a good volume of good quality product.
CABBAGE	Harvesting a light to increasing volume of good quality product.
CILANTRO	Harvesting a good quantity of good quality Spring planted product.
COLLARDS	Harvesting a good volume of good quality Spring planted product.
DANDELIONS	Good quality Spring planted Italian bunched product available in fair to increasing volume.
DILL	Harvesting a fair volume of good quality product.
ESCAROLE &	Harvesting a good volume of good quality products.
ENDIVE	
KALE	Good quality Spring planted product harvesting in good volume.
LEEKS	A fair volume of good quality over-wintered product is available.
LETTUCE	Harvesting a good volume of very good quality Romaine, Boston, & Red & Green Leaf.
MINT	Very good quality harvesting in fair to good volume.
PARSLEY	Harvesting a fair to increasing volume of good quality Spring planted product.
RADISHES	Harvest of good quality product starting in good volume.
SPINACH	A fair to good volume of good quality Spring planted product is available.
SQUASH	Harvesting minor quantities of excellent quality tunnel started zucchini. Should start
	harvesting field grown zucchini next week with yellow squash starting a few days later.
STRAWBERRIES	Finished up w/ the commercial volume of very good quality berries. Farm marketers in
	North Jersey started harvesting later and will still have excellent quality berries for
	another week or so.
SWISS CHARD	Harvesting a fair to good volume of good quality product.
TURNIPS	Starting to harvest very good quality in light to increasing volume.

JERSEY FRESH FORECAST

BASIL	Likes warmer weather. Should be ready to start harvesting next week.
BLUEBERRIES	Minor quantities of early varieties like Weymouth starting next week. The much more
	widely planted Duke variety will start 3-4 days later with volume available a week
	later.
CUCUMBERS	Pickles should begin next week, followed by cukes in two weeks.
PEACHES	It's been a slowly warming Spring and early April frost hurt the crop. The season will
	start in early to mid-July w/ early PF & Sentry varieties, w/ volume and freestone
	varieties starting a week later. White peaches start a week after that w/ volume late
	July.