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Crop Progress & Condition



New Jersey



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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in New Jersey, there were 7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 15, 2024. Topsoil moisture supplies were 33 percent very short, 38 percent short, 28 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 23 percent very short, 47 percent short, and 30 percent adequate. Pasture conditions were 10 percent very poor, 20 percent poor, 33 percent fair, 28 percent good, and 9 percent excellent.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending September 15, 2024

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	33	38	28	1
SUBSOIL	23	47	30	0

Crop Conditions as of September 15, 2024

(in percent)

Item	Very	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Poor				
APPLES	5	10	24	33	28
CORN	10	20	30	34	6
HAY, ALFALFA	5	19	39	32	5
HAY, OTHER	10	20	30	31	9
PASTURE AND	10	20	33	28	9
RANGE					
SOYBEANS	10	19	34	32	5

Crop Progress as of September 15, 2024

(in percent)

Item	This	Last	Last	5 Year
	Week	Week	Year	Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	35	10	50	N/A
CORN: DOUGH	70	41	79	N/A
CORN: DENTED	50	25	52	65
CORN: MATURE	25	10	28	35
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD	52	36	43	51
CUTTING				
HAY, OTHER: THIRD	27	25	42	38
CUTTING				
BELL PEPPERS:	95	85	96	N/A
HARVESTED				
SOYBEANS: SETTING	69	52	70	N/A
PODS				
SOYBEANS: FULLY	50	33	32	N/A
PODDED				
SOYBEANS: COLORING	27	5	N/A	N/A
SOYBEANS: DROPPING	7	N/A	N/A	N/A
LEAVES				
SWEET CORN:	77	68	74	N/A
HARVESTED				
FALL TILLAGE:	30	21	35	N/A
PERCENT COMPLETE				

September 15, 2024, New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

	Air Temperature Last Week				Precipitation						
Station	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	MSG	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
NORTHERN											
Aeroflex-Andover Airport	76.7	47.3	62	64.74	-3.4	0.05	2	4	-0.36	2.06	-0.09
Belvidere Bridge	79.4	49.3	64.36	65.54	-1.19	0.03	1	0	-0.99	4.19	0.43
Flemington 5 Nnw	79.6	48.3	63.93	67.21	-3.29	0	0	0	-0.98	0.96	-2.77
Newark Liberty Intl Ap	82.4	59.3	70.86	70.64	0.21	M	0	0	-0.87	0.97	-2.45
Sussex 1 Nw	M	M	M	64.01	M	M	M	M	M	M	M
Average	79.5	51	65.29	66.43	-1.92	0.03	2	M	-0.8	2.05	-1.22
SOUTHERN											
Estell Manor	81.3	52.3	66.79	69.33	-2.54	0	0	0	-0.9	0.85	-3.39
Freehold-Marlboro	78	54.3	66.14	68.56	-2.41	0	0	0	-0.94	2.06	-1.66
Hammonton 1 Ne	M	M	M	69.36	M	0	0	2	-0.65	0.07	-2.76
Millville Municipal Airport	82.3	51.9	67.07	69.03	-1.96	0	0	0	-0.7	0.68	-2.71
Philadelphia/Mt. Holly Wfo	80.4	52.7	66.57	67.97	-1.4	0	0	0	-0.78	1.38	-1.97
New Brunswick 3 Se	80.1	53.3	66.71	68.99	-2.27	0	0	0	-0.93	0.89	-2.67
Pennsauken 1N	80.9	54.7	67.79	69.84	-2.06	0	0	0	-0.95	0.32	-3.2
Seabrook Farms	71	47	59	69.97	-11.9	0	0	6	-0.14	0.8	-2.35
Trenton-Mercer Airport	80.9	53.6	67.21	68.79	-1.57	0	0	0	-0.91	0.11	-3.51
Average	79.4	52.5	65.91	69.09	-3.26	0	0	M	-0.77	0.8	-2.69
COASTAL											
Cape May 2 Nw	M	M	M	71.43	M	M	M	M	M	0.38	-1.25
Average	N/A	N/A	N/A	71.43	N/A	N/A	N/A	M	N/A	0.38	-1.25
STATE TOTAL	79.4	51.9	65.66	68.29	-2.73	0.01	1	M	-0.78	1.22	-2.04

DFN = Departure from normal. MSG = Missing days.

M = Missing value.

Data may be subject to additional quality control.

Weather summary provided by the Southern Regional Climate Center, https://www.srcc.tamu.edu.





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CURRENTLY AVAILABLE

	APPLES	Galas and honeycrisp are deep into picking now. Crimson Crisp, Ambrosia, some fuji cultivars are ready such as Day Break Fuji, as well as some MacIntosh such as Ruby Macs. Jonathans are also just starting to ripen
	ARUGULA	Great quality, good volume product
* A	BABY SPINACH & ARUGULA	Harvesting a good volume of good quality products
	BASIL	Harvesting great volume, great quality and flavor
	BEANS	Beautiful and plan to stay steady throughout summer and fall
	BEETS	Cut beets harvesting in good size and color. Bunch beets limited volume with heat
	BLACKBERRIES	Harvesting great quality. Harvest ended in South Jersey
	ВОК СНОУ	Harvesting good size, great color, good volume of Bok Choy and Baby Bok
	CABBAGE	Green, Red, Savoy are great sizing and color
	CANTALOUPE	Harvesting great quality. Harvest ended in South Jersey
78	CILANTRO	Harvesting good size and great quality
	COLLARD GREENS	Harvesting good volume with nice color, big sizing
	CUCUMBERS	Pickles & cucumbers are beautiful product with good volume
*	DANDELIONS	Harvesting a good quantity of good quality, bunched product
	DILL	Harvesting good size, great color tight volume





*	EGGPLANT	Harvesting with increasing volumes. Great color, great size, consistent packs
	KALE	Harvesting good size and color in great quantity
	KOHLRABI	Limited volume, great sizing and quality
	LEEKS	Good quality product available, decent volume
	MINT	Good volume, nice sizing, great color and flavor
1	OKRA	Harvesting good quality and quantity
No.	PARSLEY	Good quality & volume
O	PEACHES	Very limited supply in Southern NJ. Season coming to an end
	PEPPERS	Good volume on Bell Peppers with good volume. Harvesting other varieties such as jalapenos, long hots, frying with good volumes as well
	POTATOES	Harvesting good quality and quantity
	PUMPKINS	Harvest started
	RADISHES	Harvesting great quality, good volume
	SCALLIONS	Fair volume, high demand in a tight market
	SWEET CORN	Excellent quality, excellent volume
M	SWISS CHARD	Good volume, good quality, heat is limiting production
The second second	SWEET POTATOES	Harvest started





	TOMATOES	High tunnel and field tomatoes are beautiful, with good volume
	TURNIPS	Good volume with very nice color and sizing
	WATERMELON	Picking good volume of beautiful product. Harvest ending in South Jersey
B	WINTER SQUASH	Butternut harvest has started
	YELLOW SQUASH	High volume, beautiful
	ZUCCHINI	Green and yellow zucchini, beautiful – tight volume

FORECAST

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	CRANBERRIES	Dry harvest for fresh berries is beginning around Sept 25. Drought conditions and irrigation quality holding on for now
	ENDIVE/ESCAROLE	September some growers a little later with plantings looking toward September 30 th -October 1st
A De	LETTUCES	September some growers a little later with plantings looking toward September 30 th -October 1st