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# Crop Progress & Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in New Jersey, there were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 22, 2024. Topsoil moisture supplies were 49 percent very short, 35 percent short, and 16 percent adequate. Subsoil moisture supplies were 39 percent very short, 44 percent short, and 17 percent adequate. Pasture conditions were 13 percent very poor, 30 percent poor, 44 percent fair, 10 percent good, and 3 percent excellent.

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending September 22, 2024

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	49	35	16	0
SUBSOIL	39	44	17	0

### Crop Conditions as of September 22, 2024

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
APPLES	4	11	22	39	24
CORN	12	22	31	30	5
HAY, ALFALFA	9	22	38	26	5
HAY, OTHER	11	23	29	28	9
PASTURE AND RANGE	13	30	44	10	3
SOYBEANS	14	21	35	25	5

### Crop Progress as of September 22, 2024

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: HARVESTED	57	35	71	N/A
CORN: DOUGH	82	70	N/A	N/A
CORN: DENTED	53	50	69	N/A
CORN: MATURE	40	25	36	51
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	61	52	59	63
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	48	27	56	58
SOYBEANS: SETTING PODS	81	69	88	N/A
SOYBEANS: FULLY PODDED	63	50	53	N/A
SOYBEANS: COLORING	40	27	N/A	N/A
SOYBEANS: DROPPING LEAVES	20	7	N/A	N/A
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	79	77	86	N/A
FALL TILLAGE: PERCENT COMPLETE	35	30	39	N/A

## September 22, 2024, New Jersey Weekly Weather Summary

Station	Air Temperature Last Week					Precipitation					
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	MSG	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
NORTHERN											
Aeroflex-Andover Airport	78.8	52.8	65.75	62.36	2.85	0.05	3	3	-0.57	1.96	-0.5
Belvidere Bridge	80.8	54	67.38	63.04	4.62	0	0	3	-0.68	1.03	-2.49
Flemington 5 Nnw	80.7	54.3	67.5	64.6	2.9	0	0	0	-1.07	0.78	-3.1
Newark Liberty Intl Ap	81.1	63.9	72.5	68.13	4.37	0	0	0	-0.94	0.94	-2.55
Sussex 1 Nw	M	M	M	61.49	M	M	M	M	M	M	M
Average	80.3	56.2	68.28	63.92	3.69	0.01	3	M	-0.81	1.18	-2.16
SOUTHERN											
Estell Manor	79.7	60	69.86	66.79	3.07	0.06	2	0	-0.84	0.68	-3.19
Freehold-Marlboro	76.8	59	67.9	66.07	1.9	0	0	2	-0.72	0.76	-2.57
Hammonton 1 Ne	M	M	M	66.96	M	M	0	0	-0.95	0.02	-2.68
Millville Municipal Airport	79.7	60	69.86	66.6	3.26	0.15	3	0	-0.59	0.73	-2.35
Philadelphia/Mt. Holly Wfo	79	59.4	69.21	65.47	3.74	0.01	1	0	-0.9	0.34	-3.01
New Brunswick 3 Se	80.8	59.3	70.08	66.4	3.82	0	0	1	-0.89	0.8	-2.81
Pennsauken 1N	79.3	61.6	70.43	67.3	3.13	0.02	1	0	-1.06	0.2	-3.58
Seabrook Farms	80	62	71	67.54	2.55	0	0	5	-0.3	0.53	-2.67
Trenton-Mercer Airport	79	59.6	69.29	66.4	2.89	0	0	0	-0.98	0.1	-3.57
Average	79.3	60.1	69.7	66.61	3.04	0.03	3	M	-0.8	0.46	-2.94
COASTAL											
Cape May 2 Nw	78	60	69	69.33	-1.3	0	0	6	-0.13	0.12	-2.54
Average	78	60	69	69.33	-1.3	0	0	M	-0.13	0.12	-2.54
STATE TOTAL	79.6	58.7	69.13	65.83	2.96	0.02	3	M	-0.76	0.7	-2.62

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

Nearing the end of Galas and Honeycrisp. Crimson Crisp, Ambrosia and several Fuji and MacIntosh cultivars are ready. This week Macoun, Autumn Gala and Empires are ready in about half of the state



ARUGULA

Great quality, good volume product



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 the fall



BEETS

Cut beets harvesting in good size and color. Bunch beets volume increasing



BLACKBERRIES

Harvesting great quality. Harvest ended in South Jersey



BOK CHOY

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



CILANTRO

Harvesting good size and great quality



COLLARD GREENS

Harvesting good volume with nice color, big sizing



CRANBERRIES

Dry harvest for fresh berries is beginning this week. Drought conditions and irrigation quality holding on for now



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 great color, great size, and 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
	LETTUCES	Harvest starting on fall lettuces
	MINT	Good volume, nice sizing, great color and flavor
	OKRA	Harvesting good quality and quantity
	PARSLEY	Good quality & volume
	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	Harvesting good volumes
	RADISHES	Harvesting great quality, good volume
	SCALLIONS	Fair volume, high demand in a tight market
	SWEET CORN	Excellent quality, excellent volume



SWISS CHARD

Good volume, good quality, heat is limiting production



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



WINTER SQUASH

Harvesting butternut and acorn



YELLOW SQUASH

High volume, beautiful



ZUCCHINI

Green and yellow zucchini, beautiful – tight volume

**FORECAST**



ENDIVE/ESCAROLE

September some growers a little later with plantings looking toward September 30<sup>th</sup>-October 1st



SPINACH

Pallet volume starting to become available but fall harvest should start in full about 10 days to 2 weeks