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Good Week for Field Work: New York had an average of 5 days suitable for field work.

New York weather varied this week. Most area reported scattered showers which improved conditions for field crops such as corn, soybean, and wheat. A few places reported another dry week but only some corn and soybeans curling was reported. Hay and pasture conditions is reported as good to excellent. Field activities for the week included spreading manure and fertilizer, plowing and planting, spraying trees, repair and maintenance.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending August 16, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	1	10	65	24
SUBSOIL	1	4	74	21

Crop Conditions as of August 16, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
BARLEY	0	10	23	51	16
CORN	3	11	24	47	15
GRAPES	8	6	11	63	12
HAY, ALFALFA	0	5	23	47	25
HAY, OTHER	1	10	30	42	17
OATS	1	0	15	61	23
PASTURE AND RANGE	1	6	30	51	12
SOYBEANS	3	16	32	35	14

Crop Progress as of August 16, 2015

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
FALL TILLAGE: SINGLE	19	11	N/A	N/A
BARLEY: HARVESTED	74	59	22	N/A
CABBAGE: HARVESTED	47	28	27	N/A
CORN: SILKING	83	74	82	N/A
CORN: DOUGH	37	23	36	N/A
CORN AVERAGE HEIGHT: (IN.)	81	72	80	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	86	79	90	95
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	46	31	43	N/A
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	84	75	85	N/A
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	36	18	33	N/A
OATS: HARVESTED	63	39	49	64
ONIONS DRY: HARVESTED	43	30	14	26
POTATOES: HARVESTED	19	12	5	23
SNAP BEANS: HARVESTED	33	27	32	36
SOYBEANS: BLOOMING	87	82	78	N/A
SOYBEANS: SETTING PODS	59	50	45	N/A
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	53	43	40	41

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August 16, 2015 New York Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2015					
		Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
Region	Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Northern	Fort_Drum	84	57	70	+1	0.91	3	14.57	-0.43	62	1769	+124	2970
	Highmarket	81	46	63	-3	1.31	5	23.64	+3.67	65	1208	-54	2290
	Hooker_12NNW	86	54	68	+6	1.18	5	20.41	+1.16	67	1694	+582	2889
	Lowville	82	53	66	-1	0.76	2	15.97	+0.84	50	1431	+1	2585
	Massena	85	52	69	+2	1.77	3	15.26	+1.10	59	1702	+104	2910
	Watertown_Intl	84	54	69	+2	0.74	4	12.19	-0.21	58	1625	+153	2820
Northeast	Indian_Lake	79	47	64	+2	1.33	5	21.94	+6.15	66	1169	+148	2231
	Malone	80	53	67	+2	3.20	4	20.09	+3.97	69	1416	+110	2562
	Newcomb	82	46	65	+2	1.60	5	22.22	+5.47	64	1207	+114	2283
	North_Creek	87	51	68	+1	1.80	4	22.36	+4.11	57	1545	+80	2689
	Plattsburgh_Int	83	52	69	+1	1.66	4	17.74	+3.26	67	1646	+52	2860
	Tupper_Lake_Sun	82	47	64	0	1.22	4	20.15	+2.78	61	1243	+126	2330
Western	Avon	84	50	69	0	2.74	2	20.29	+6.73	59	1679	+38	2909
	Buffalo_Intl_AP	85	52	71	+2	3.44	4	16.69	+1.44	59	1932	+216	3167
	Canandaigua_3S	84	54	71	+2	1.09	4	20.79	+6.30	54	1881	+144	3114
	Colden_1W	81	48	66	-1	3.45	4	23.96	+6.22	69	1548	+147	2734
	Dansville_AP	86	50	71	+3	1.30	3	16.83	+2.71	61	2050	+366	3316
	Geneva_Research	81	53	68	-2	0.82	3	20.45	+6.10	57	1652	-23	2863
	Rochester_NY	84	52	71	+2	2.58	2	18.58	+4.98	55	2016	+311	3270
	Warsaw	80	47	67	+2	2.26	4	23.34	+5.71	69	1459	+131	2619
	Youngstown	86	51	69	-2	0.86	2	15.06	+2.25	54	1790	+53	3024
Central	Auburn_NY	84	53	70	0	0.74	3	23.35	+7.78	63	1771	-1	2995
	Boonville	78	53	66	0	1.48	5	21.95	+1.98	62	1304	+42	2419
	Cooperstown	82	55	69	+3	1.71	4	20.31	+2.82	60	1688	+313	2901
	Fulton-Oswego	85	58	72	+2	1.15	4	17.39	+2.63	57	1822	+154	3045
	Oneonta	82	50	65	-3	1.24	3	19.34	+0.32	65	1491	-5	2656
	Sherburne	82	52	68	0	0.82	5	20.70	+4.22	70	1574	+79	2763
	Syracuse_AP	86	59	72	+3	1.27	5	20.91	+4.62	58	2036	+314	3285
Eastern	Albany_County_A	87	59	74	+5	2.47	4	16.43	+0.39	50	2198	+434	3471
	Alcove_Dam	83	54	69	+1	1.57	4	15.47	-2.11	59	1663	+98	2889
	Brunswick_NY	85	59	72	+5	2.62	4	18.92	-1.07	58	1979	+495	3224
	Buskirk	83	53	67	0	1.03	5	14.41	-5.58	53	1606	+122	2806
	Cobleskill	82	52	68	0	0.97	5	15.35	-0.26	67	1584	+41	2748
	Peck_Lake	78	50	64	-4	1.10	3	19.43	+0.12	66	1316	-128	2413
	Saratoga_Spring	86	57	71	+1	0.99	3	16.30	-1.21	49	1822	+27	3029
Southwest	Alfred	81	45	65	-1	1.54	5	16.68	+0.17	67	1405	+118	2601
	Bath	83	50	68	0	1.46	5	20.31	+6.11	74	1675	+182	2893
	Corning	80	48	65	-3	0.52	4	15.78	+1.58	59	1443	-50	2623
	Franklinville	83	47	66	+2	3.26	5	22.33	+5.01	70	1434	+188	2600
	Jamestown_AP	81	48	67	-1	0.76	2	14.20	-4.80	67	1594	-9	2805
	Olean	83	51	68	+3	2.14	4	17.34	-1.32	62	1642	+327	2856
	Perrysburg	83	51	66	-4	2.89	3	23.86	+8.79	51	1605	-78	2806
Southern	Binghamton_Broo	81	51	68	0	1.54	5	24.41	+8.41	66	1744	+238	2962
	Elmira_Ag	86	50	68	-2	0.70	5	17.83	+2.83	60	1725	+51	2950
	Ithaca_Cornell_	83	48	69	+1	0.72	5	19.22	+3.62	68	1633	+108	2827
	Mecklenburg	82	48	66	-1	0.94	3	21.42	+4.98	70	1470	+49	2658
	Owego_3WSW	87	53	69	-1	1.65	3	18.59	+2.34	62	1713	+154	2932
	Whitney_Point_L	84	51	68	-2	0.70	2	18.67	+2.42	57	1648	+89	2854
Southeast	Bridgehampton	85	52	70	-3	2.44	1	9.81	-7.00	37	1866	+87	3120
	Carmel_4N	89	53	69	-3	1.09	4	14.97	-5.10	51	1684	-219	2938
	East_Jewett	86	48	66	+3	1.01	3	17.38	-2.32	61	1289	+181	2421
	Mohonk_Lake	89	56	73	+3	1.06	4	19.13	-1.59	51	2096	+247	3383
	Montgomery_NY_A	90	54	73	+3	0.95	3	12.50	-6.41	48	2189	+426	3463
	New_York_LGA	92	69	79	+3	1.18	2	13.53	-4.43	37	2715	+316	4048
	Poughkeepsie_Ag	90	56	71	0	1.99	3	17.63	-1.38	52	2065	+225	3334
	Vanderbilt_Muse	91	62	75	+1	1.32	2	11.81	-5.71	40	2243	+145	3540
	Walton	84	49	65	-3	0.67	5	20.30	+1.28	69	1441	-55	2604
	Yorktown_Height	89	57	72	+2	1.30	3	15.57	-4.79	56	2126	+231	3410

Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal.
 Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.
 Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit.
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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.

Broome County, Maria Heath:

Good week for harvesting dry hay. Oats being harvested.

Cortland/ Tompkins Counties, Jennifer Doty:

Mostly dry weather improved dry hay progress, but some areas are starting to need rain. Pastures are in mid-summer slump without rain. Oat harvest has begun. Corn stages still vary widely.

Essex County, Dave Reckahn:

Still had very little open window for hay harvested but many farms got in some additional hay harvest this weekend but many still behind and just getting first cutting.

Genesee/ Niagara/ Orleans Counties, Nathan R Herendeen:

Adequate moisture and high temps continue to improve outlook for corn and soybeans. Wheat yields and quality in this area were excellent. Oat yields were excellent. Hay and pasture continue to improve with adequate moisture and heat. Fantastic improvement in everything since mid-July!!!

Lewis County, Joe Lawrence:

Much of the area received a much needed slow soaking rain last week that resulted in around 1 inch precipitation. Though we still remain dry and another rain of this nature in the near future would be great.

Livingston County, Dean R Pendergast:

Many acres of crops benefited from a good rain. Isolated areas in the county reported significant rainfall but no damage reported to date.

Madison County, Shelby Henty:

Last week we finally received some needed scattered showers throughout the county. All crops are coming along nicely after the weather we had in the spring. This week with the humid temperatures people should be able to finish getting their second cutting off along with starting their third cutting. There has also been a lot of combining oats going on throughout the county.

Oneida County, William Paddock:

Another hot, dry week in Oneida county. We could use a nice steady rain for a day or two. We continue to have heavy dews each morning which I think are keeping things going. We have had some reports of a little curling of corn and even some soybeans. Overall though soybeans look fantastic and most corn is looking pretty good as well. We still will not though just how good it is until harvest. Alfalfa stands look great and producers who were aggressive in the spring are awaiting 4th cutting which looks tremendous again just as 1st, 2nd, and 3rd looked. Winter wheat is basically all harvested and reports are that it was a little uneven, some good fields and some not so good. Oat harvest is just beginning and we have not heard anything yet on how it is going. Rotationally grazed pastures continue to look good as long as producers have been giving a long enough rest. Regular pastures are looking in need of rain.

Ontario County, Joann Rogers:

Wheat harvest was wrapping up, while the oats/barley harvest started this week in Ontario County.

Rensselaer/ Saratoga/ Warren/ Washington Counties, David Holck:

We had a series of thunderstorms last week that dropped varying amounts of rainfall on our 4 counties. Some areas had a few inches of rainfall and others only got a trace. Crop conditions vary based on rainfall, soil type, and management.

Schuyler/ Seneca Counties, Kathy Mastellar:

Rain a few days this week, but warm days.

Suffolk County, Alice V Wise:

In Long Island vineyards, the ripening period has begun. Growers are applying protective netting so that losses to hungry birds are minimized.