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# Crop Progress & Condition

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**Good Week for Field Work:** New York had an average of 5 days suitable for field work. Temperatures were cool this week. Some areas reported rain, light snow, frost and killing frost. Despite colder temperatures fall harvest was underway throughout the state; Soybeans and shell corn were harvested this week. Soybean yield is reported as above average and corn is reported as average. Winter wheat planting continued as well. Early planted wheat is reported as excellent. Cover crops were also planted this week. Pastures are reported as done growing. Field activities for the week included plowing and planting of fields, fall tillage, harvesting, repair and maintenance.

## Soil Moisture for Week Ending October 18, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	0	7	79	14
SUBSOIL	1	12	70	17

## Crop Conditions as of October 18, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN	2	9	23	53	13
GRAPES	7	15	22	40	16
HAY, ALFALFA	0	3	18	58	21
HAY, OTHER	1	7	30	48	14
PASTURE AND RANGE	2	11	35	41	11
SOYBEANS	1	10	29	48	12

## Crop Progress as of October 18, 2015

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
FALL TILLAGE: SINGLE	78	73	66	65
CABBAGE: HARVESTED	92	82	100	99
CORN: MATURE	90	84	67	63
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	27	16	13	19
CORN FOR SILAGE: HARVESTED	92	85	76	86
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	92	91	99	98
HAY, ALFALFA: FOURTH CUTTING	72	63	72	67
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	94	92	97	96
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	66	60	70	67
POTATOES: HARVESTED	80	77	80	83
SOYBEANS: DROPPING LEAVES	95	91	90	86
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	54	37	32	35
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	85	74	87	82
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	48	33	41	37
GRAPES: HARVESTED	77	64	67	82

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## October 18, 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	77	24	51	+4	0.78	5	20.81	-3.01	81	2636	+373	4423
	Highmarket	68	23	46	+1	1.15	4	32.95	+1.87	87	1769	+84	3404
	Hooker_12NNW	75	25	50	+6	0.91	5	27.89	-1.16	86	2529	+1061	4296
	Lowville	75	26	48	+2	0.70	4	20.74	-2.23	64	2113	+189	3839
	Massena	75	22	50	+3	1.07	4	21.10	-0.44	77	2512	+383	4301
	Watertown_Intl	76	22	51	+4	0.38	4	18.04	-1.75	75	2431	+421	4215
Northeast	Indian_Lake	69	23	46	+3	0.51	5	30.76	+6.63	88	1738	+420	3350
	Malone	76	23	47	+3	1.19	5	26.54	+2.69	88	2132	+418	3819
	Newcomb	74	22	44	0	0.56	5	29.13	+3.94	84	1752	+345	3357
	North_Creek	69	18	44	-4	0.18	4	29.04	+2.72	75	2255	+259	3965
	Plattsburgh_Int	73	25	50	+4	0.24	4	22.38	+1.00	85	2447	+312	4241
	Tupper_Lake_Sun	74	23	45	+2	0.87	5	27.17	+1.35	79	1875	+422	3500
Western	Avon	77	28	50	0	0.27	3	27.47	+7.20	77	2468	+186	4292
	Buffalo_Intl_AP	76	34	53	+2	0.42	4	23.55	+0.65	81	2868	+455	4710
	Canandaigua_3S	78	30	54	+3	0.24	5	29.62	+8.25	75	2807	+344	4641
	Colden_1W	72	30	49	0	1.10	5	34.92	+7.74	94	2276	+337	4045
	Dansville_AP	78	28	54	+5	0.35	2	23.53	+2.41	77	3000	+655	4871
	Geneva_Research	74	30	51	+1	0.27	3	28.66	+7.29	75	2464	+129	4269
	Rochester_NY	78	32	54	+3	0.59	4	25.84	+5.44	75	2985	+600	4847
	Warsaw	73	27	47	-1	1.13	5	32.58	+6.28	90	2158	+351	3893
	Youngstown	76	38	56	+6	0.82	5	21.28	+1.79	79	2741	+304	4596
Central	Auburn_NY	76	28	52	+2	0.83	5	33.19	+9.62	80	2656	+157	4479
	Boonville	72	23	47	+2	0.88	4	31.41	+0.33	83	1943	+258	3618
	Cooperstown	73	27	47	0	0.64	4	27.80	+2.56	82	2468	+622	4271
	Fulton-Oswego	77	29	53	+2	0.71	5	25.07	+2.00	77	2733	+346	4559
	Oneonta	70	28	48	-1	0.29	3	24.86	-2.47	79	2156	+92	3910
	Sherburne	75	26	49	+2	0.40	4	28.63	+4.47	89	2340	+285	4123
	Syracuse_AP	78	28	54	+4	0.77	5	28.50	+4.41	78	3005	+598	4864
Eastern	Albany_County_A	75	31	53	+5	0.05	2	25.38	+2.42	66	3226	+817	5118
	Alcove_Dam	70	31	48	0	0.21	2	25.25	+0.37	72	2426	+280	4250
	Brunswick_NY	74	31	52	+4	0.10	4	29.67	+0.81	78	2905	+890	4768
	Buskirk	74	24	49	+1	0.16	2	22.54	-6.32	66	2355	+340	4150
	Cobleskill	77	26	50	+2	0.22	4	23.04	+0.88	86	2337	+228	4095
	Peck_Lake	66	25	43	-6	0.85	5	27.93	+0.38	91	1872	-112	3527
	Saratoga_Spring	77	27	49	-1	0.23	2	22.61	-2.51	63	2670	+219	4471
Southwest	Alfred	76	28	48	+2	1.13	6	28.18	+4.03	91	2036	+290	3812
	Bath	74	28	50	+2	0.60	4	27.93	+7.54	97	2451	+396	4265
	Corning	69	25	47	-2	0.38	4	22.90	+2.51	83	2093	+38	3850
	Franklinville	73	30	48	+2	1.75	6	30.96	+5.17	94	2102	+396	3850
	Jamestown_AP	68	30	48	-1	0.50	6	19.56	-8.47	93	2321	+111	4121
	Olean	75	30	49	+2	0.82	5	24.72	-2.54	86	2420	+610	4226
	Perrysburg	72	30	50	-2	1.18	6	34.16	+11.37	72	2394	+20	4190
Southern	Binghamton_Broo	72	26	50	+3	0.17	3	28.57	+5.53	83	2557	+502	4371
	Elmira_Ag	74	26	50	0	0.34	4	24.41	+2.56	80	2524	+196	4343
	Ithaca_Cornell_	75	28	50	+2	0.28	3	24.44	+1.36	84	2406	+301	4197
	Mecklenburg	75	27	50	+4	0.51	3	29.55	+5.66	89	2178	+236	3956
	Owego_3WSW	76	23	49	-1	0.27	3	23.50	-0.18	78	2512	+328	4334
	Whitney_Point_L	75	30	50	+2	0.28	5	23.26	-0.42	77	2468	+284	4280
Southeast	Bridgehampton	70	36	54	0	0.57	3	19.63	-5.17	51	2891	+263	4770
	Carmel_4N	68	25	49	-4	0.04	2	20.86	-8.31	64	2488	-202	4343
	East_Jewett	75	24	47	+2	0.16	4	30.32	+1.70	82	1910	+441	3613
	Mohonk_Lake	72	27	53	+1	0.11	3	29.38	-0.61	70	3042	+453	4938
	Montgomery_NY_A	77	28	52	+3	0.04	2	21.16	-5.62	62	3188	+757	5077
	New_York_LGA	76	39	60	+3	0.00	0	18.54	-7.02	48	4108	+599	6068
	Poughkeepsie_Ag	73	28	52	+3	0.07	2	26.04	-0.53	65	3008	+446	4891
	Vanderbilt_Muse	74	31	55	-2	0.00	0	19.84	-5.47	53	3389	+282	5308
	Walton	77	24	48	-2	0.48	4	28.38	+1.05	90	2145	+81	3906
	Yorktown_Height	75	29	53	+2	0.00	0	22.66	-7.08	73	3159	+484	5063

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:**

Killing frost occurred throughout the county. Ground still very dry.

**Essex County, Laura Mcdermott:**

Hard frost on Saturday and Sunday evening. Snow flurries on Sunday.

**Genesee County, Nathan R Herendeen:**

Wheat planting nearly complete. Early planted wheat excellent. Soybean yields were down.

**Lewis County, Joe Lawrence:**

The first widespread killing frost hit on 10/17-18.

**Livingston County, Dean R Pendergast:**

Fall harvest is in full swing. Have heard reports of corn with moisture as low as 17.5% on limited acreage.

**Ontario County, Joann Rogers:**

Ontario County experienced some rain in the beginning of the week and then ended up with frost and snow at the end of the week. Fall harvest of soybeans and corn continues; winter wheat continues to be planted as well.

**Oneida County, William Paddock:**

Producers are bouncing back and forth between shell corn and soybeans harvest. Soybeans are yielding above average and corn appears to be average. Winter wheat is in the ground and reports are that all wheat is emerged. We had a killing frost this weekend so all pastures are done growing and producers will continue to supplement unless producers have been stockpiling grass.

**Seneca County, Kathy Mastellar:**

Temperatures are dropping and Saturday night a light coating of snow fell in most areas.

**Warren County, David Holck:**

The growing season has ended in our counties, with temperatures in the low 20's over the weekend. Corn grain harvest is proceeding and corn is drying down quickly. Cover crops have been planted and rye, triticale, and small grains have emerged.