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NEW YORK: Days suitable: 3.8. Soil moisture 2% short, 73% adequate, 25% surplus. Pasture condition 11% poor, 37% fair, 42% good, 10% excellent. Silage corn 97% harvested, 99% 2007, 95% average. Grain corn 35% harvested, 54% 2007, 47% average. Dry Beans 83% harvested, 96% 2007, 86% average. Soybeans 61% harvested, 65% 2007, 56% average. Apples 91% picked, 92% 2007, 90% average. Grapes 91% harvested, 98% 2007, 96% average. Vegetable harvest was nearly complete. Some farm stands are closing down for the season. Others are preparing for Christmas tree sales now that Halloween is past. Temperatures averaged below normal. Precipitation was above normal, ranging from 0.29 to 2.79 inches.