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**NEW YORK:** Days suitable: 4.2. Soil moisture 74% adequate, 26% surplus. Pasture condition 3% very poor, 22% poor, 26% fair, 41% good, 8% excellent. Silage corn 99% harvested, 100% 2007, 100% average. Grain corn 61% harvested, 78% 2007, 67% average. Dry Beans 90% harvested, 100% 2007, 96% average. Soybeans 84% harvested, 89% 2007, 75% average. Apples 94% picked, 100% 2007, 100% average. Grapes 97% harvested, 100% 2007, 98% average. Vegetable harvest was nearly complete. Farmers are continuing to winterize equipment. Growers on Long Island are bringing in bird netting for the season. Temperatures averaged above near normal. Precipitation was slightly above normal for the week.