

United States Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service





Crop Progress & Condition

Blair Smith, State Statistician

10B Airline Drive, Albany, NY 12235

Phone: 518-457-5570

Fax: 800-591-3834

www.nass.usda.qov/ny Week ending August 30, 2015 Issued weekly on the internet, April - November by the Northeastern Regional Field Office of NASS

nassrfoner@nass.usda.gov Released August 31, 2015

Excellent Week for Field Work: New York had an average of 6 days suitable for field work.

New York weather was sunny this week, but moisture levels varied. Some areas were reported as too dry, others too wet. This has led to complications on both ends of the spectrum. Regardless, all areas are reporting good conditions. Small grain harvest is wrapping up. Hay harvest continues, though some pastures are stressed. Corn and soybean conditions are reported as improving from the earlier wet season. Field activities for the week included harvesting and other field work, repair and maintenance.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending August 30, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	1	11	66	22
SUBSOIL	1	5	74	20

Crop Conditions as of August 30, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Poor				
BARLEY	0	10	23	51	16
CORN	2	11	24	48	15
GRAPES	8	7	11	62	12
HAY, ALFALFA	0	5	23	47	25
HAY, OTHER	1	8	27	48	16
OATS	0	2	14	61	23
PASTURE AND	1	7	31	50	11
RANGE					
SOYBEANS	1	15	27	40	17

Crop Progress as of August 30, 2015

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
FALL TILLAGE: SINGLE	25	21	10	N/A
BARLEY: HARVESTED	80	74	65	N/A
CABBAGE: HARVESTED	52	47	58	N/A
CORN: SILKING	91	88	92	N/A
CORN: DOUGH	57	42	44	N/A
CORN: DENTED	9	<5	12	N/A
CORN AVERAGE	90	84	85	N/A
HEIGHT: (IN.)				
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND	97	93	94	98
CUTTING				
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD	63	54	63	N/A
CUTTING				
HAY, OTHER: SECOND	88	85	91	N/A
CUTTING				
HAY, OTHER: THIRD	52	43	54	N/A
CUTTING				
OATS: HARVESTED	81	70	78	87
POTATOES: HARVESTED	37	35	29	38
SOYBEANS: BLOOMING	95	91	95	N/A
SOYBEANS: SETTING	75	65	74	N/A
PODS				
SOYBEANS: DROPPING	7	<5	0	N/A
LEAVES				
SWEET CORN:	72	56	65	66
HARVESTED				

For a complete nationwide weekly weather and crop bulletin, please visit www.usda.gov/oce/weather and click on "Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin."

August 30, 2015 New York Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accu	munat	1011 51			, 2015	
		Temperature Precipitatio				itation	Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F		
Region	Station	Hi	Lo		DFN	Total	Days				Total		Tota	
Northern	Fort_Drum	80	51	66	-2	0.02	Days 1	15.84	-1.07	64	2044	+158	33	
Nortnern	Highmarket	78	42	60	-3	0.02	2	25.00	+2.72	69	1397	-50	26	
	Hooker_12NNW	80	50	65	+5	0.26	2	21.72	+0.23	72	1964	+688	32	
	Lowville	77	47	62	-3	0.05	1	16.30	-0.53	53	1660	+28	29	
	Massena	83	50	66	+2	0.00	0	15.81	+0.02	62	1989	+172	33	
	Watertown_Intl	79	50	64	-1	0.03	2	13.43	-0.51	61	1888	+202	32	
Northeast	_	77	43	61	+1	1.03	2	23.79	+6.16	70	1366	+198	25	
	Malone	82	53	64	+3	0.00	0	20.49	+2.28	71	1673	+186	29	
	Newcomb	81	45	62	+2	0.28	2	23.25	+4.58	67	1406	+156	26	
	North_Creek	82	48	66	+2	0.00	0	22.67	+2.60	58	1809	+130	30	
	Plattsburgh_Int	83	50	67	+3	0.00	1	18.24	+2.03	70	1930	+117	32	
	Tupper_Lake_Sun	80	49	63	+3	0.10	0	20.89	+1.52	62	1473	+195	27	
Western	Avon	78	48	63	-4	0.00	1	21.17	+6.02	62	1916	+193	32	
vestern	Buffalo_Intl_AP	80	55	66	-4	0.01	2	17.60	+0.02	63	2207	+240	35	
	Canandaigua 3S	79	50	66	-3	0.09	0	23.44	+7.47	56	2154	+161	35	
	Colden_1W	76	51	61	-3 -4	0.00	4	25.44	+6.19	76	1762	+151	30	
	Dansville AP	80	49	66	-4 -2	0.17	0	17.54	+6.19	63	2323	+155	3′	
	_		-						_					
	Geneva_Research	76	51	64	-4	0.00	0	22.27	+6.41	61	1902	-16	32	
	Rochester_NY	79	50	66	-1	0.01	1	20.42	+5.14	58	2304	+352	30	
	Warsaw	78	49	62	-2	0.15	4	24.65	+5.25	75	1676	+156	29	
	Youngstown	81	52	66	-2	0.04	1	16.12	+1.85	57	2074	+81	34	
Central	Auburn_NY	80	50	65	-3	0.00	0	23.89	+6.57	65	2044	+14	34	
	Boonville	76	49	62	-2	0.33	3	23.58	+1.30	67	1513	+66	2'	
	Cooperstown	80	52	65	+2	0.15	3	20.93	+1.70	63	1932	+358	32	
	Fulton-Oswego	80	53	67	-2	0.49	3	18.47	+1.87	61	2108	+186	34	
	Oneonta	80	48	63	-3	0.45	1	20.24	-0.66	67	1721	+8	30	
	Sherburne	81	49	64	-2	0.03	1	23.31	+5.20	74	1822	+108	3	
	Syracuse_AP	82	54	67	0	0.16	3	21.42	+3.48	63	2330	+357	3′	
Eastern	Albany_County_A	85	53	71	+4	0.45	2	17.74	+0.02	53	2533	+523	39	
	Alcove_Dam	80	50	65	-1	0.07	1	17.12	-2.03	61	1924	+132	32	
	Brunswick_NY	84	54	70	+6	0.08	3	19.67	-2.51	63	2288	+595	30	
	Buskirk	84	48	66	+2	0.05	1	14.82	-7.36	55	1874	+181	32	
	Cobleskill	82	47	64	-2	0.38	2	17.12	-0.03	72	1825	+62	3	
	Peck_Lake	78	45	61	-4	0.08	3	20.80	-0.36	72	1518	-135	27	
	Saratoga_Spring	85	57	70	+3	0.05	1	16.64	-2.71	51	2135	+92	34	
Southwest	Alfred	77	45	59	-4	0.06	2	18.82	+0.71	71	1596	+121	29	
	Bath	79	49	63	-3	0.04	1	21.51	+6.04	78	1911	+198	32	
	Corning	78	47	60	-5	0.07	3	16.97	+1.50	65	1643	-70	29	
	Franklinville	79	48		-3	0.16	4	23.29	+4.21	75	1637	+208	29	
	Jamestown_AP	75	48	62	-4	0.09	2	15.21	-5.89	72	1806	-26	31	
	Olean	80	50	62	-2	0.15	3	17.91	-2.64	66	1869	+358	32	
	Perrysburg	78	49	62	-5	0.24	3	25.05	+8.47	57	1831	-98	31	
Southern	Binghamton_Broo	78	50	64	-2	0.00	0	25.66	+8.10	69	1989	+269	33	
	Elmira_Ag	82	50	64	-4	0.00	0	18.90	+2.34	63	1973	+57	33	
	Ithaca_Cornell_	79	45	63	-3	0.00	0	19.64	+2.45	68	1870	+121	32	
	Mecklenburg	78	45	61	-4	0.05	1	22.43	+4.31	74	1674	+43	30	
	Owego_3WSW	82	51	64	-2	0.00	0	19.61	+1.89	65	1968	+173	33	
	Whitney_Point_L	80	51	64	-3	0.07	1	20.13	+2.41	60	1901	+106	32	
	Bridgehampton	81	54	71	+2	0.23	1	10.05	-8.63	39	2199	+137	3.	
	Carmel_4N	80	51	67	-3	0.00	0	15.62	-6.28	52	1955	-219	33	
	East_Jewett	79	43	61	0	0.02	1	20.75	-0.58	66	1500	+232	27	
	Mohonk_Lake	85	55	71	+4	0.18	2	20.95	-1.74		2418	+308	38	
	Montgomery_NY_A	86		70	+3	0.15	1	13.71	-6.90		2505		39	
	New_York_LGA	88	66	77	+4	0.00	0		-5.93		3130		46	
	Poughkeepsie_Ag	85	55		+1	1.25	1	19.69	-0.99				37	
	Vanderbilt_Muse	86			+2	0.00	0		-6.47	42			4(
	Walton	83	47	63	-3	0.36	1	21.94	+1.04			-46	29	
	Yorktown_Height	85				0.18	2	16.57	-5.89				38	

Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.

Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit.
Copyright 2015: Agricultural Weather Information Service, Inc. All rights reserved.

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.

Albany/ Fulton/ Hamilton/ Montgomery/ Schenectady/ Schoharie Counties, Andrew Michael:

Here in Eastern Central New York including Schoharie, Schenectady, Albany, Montgomery, Fulton and Hamilton Counties hay harvest continues and the growing conditions are really good with a few areas needing rain. The corn crop overall is really good with corn denting and there are some of the nicest soybeans we have ever seen in certain areas. As always we hope for a late frost and with that a longer than normal growing season.

Chemung/ Cortland/ Tioga/ Tompkins Counties, Janice Degni:

A week for growing. Corn and soybeans are maturing. Early corn soon to be reaching dough stage. Corn is showing a yellow cast in the upper canopy and wet spots very evident again. Small grain harvest is winding down. Hay harvest continues at all different stages. Nearly all first cutting done. Much non alfalfa 2nd cutting down. Alfalfa at 4th cutting for progressive producers. Temperatures have been cooler this week, night time temps in the 40s and 50s. Checked a field of commercial tomatoes this week with severe infestation of late blight.

Genesee/ Niagara/ Orleans Counties, Nathan R Herendeen:

Moisture has helped hay and pasture 2 & 3 cut yields. Soybeans and corn making rapid development and improving yield prospects. Corn for silage ready for start of harvest. Warm temps speeding maturity of corn and soy.

Oneida County, William Paddock:

Another dry week of weather, we had some hit or miss showers on Wednesday but all reports indicate that it was not very significant. All crops could use a drink though, especially corn and soybeans. Small grain harvest is still going on but the end is very near, oats have been good to excellent and wheat had more variability though, but reports indicate it was a good harvest. Alfalfa continues to look great with producers who got out early, they are eagerly awaiting 4th cutting. Some grass fields are also awaiting 4th cutting. Lots of 2nd and 3rd cutting have gone in this past week and they would do well to have a drink of water very soon. Pastures that are continuously grazed are looking very poor and we are seeing supplementation going on now. Rotational pastures look decent but they need a long rest period and could use a nice shot of rain. Hope everyone has a good end to the summer and enjoys the State Fair this week.

Ontario County, Joann Rogers:

Ontario County's cabbage and vegetable harvest continues; along with hay harvest. The corn and soybeans continue to improve from the wet planting season. Manure spreading is being spread on fields with some fall field preparation.

Suffolk County, Alice V Wise:

An extended period of sunny, dry weather has been ideal for winegrapes on Long Island. The lack of rainfall has forced growers to irrigate, particularly vineyards on sandier soils.