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Crop Progress & Condition

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<u>Fair week for field work:</u> New York averaged 3 days suitable for field work last week.

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, little changed with New York's crop weather from the prior week. Conditions were normal including Long Island with the exception of the southeastern part of the state. Classifications were D0 Abnormally Dry to D1 Moderate Drought. The average weekly temperatures ranged from one to thirteen degrees above normal. Weekly precipitation ranged from 0.00 to 0.83 inches. Crop season was reported as progressing with hay crops breaking dormancy, winter damage minimal, and winter wheat growing well. Field work has been minimal in some areas but has kept producers busy overall with spreading manure, nitrogen application on wheat, tillage, and other field preparations. Warm rains contributed to wet field conditions as well as hay crops and lawns greening much earlier than last year.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 16, 2017

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	1	0	30	69
SUBSOIL	0	4	41	55

Crop Conditions as of April 16, 2017

(in percent)

Item	Very	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	Poor					
HAY,	0	2	45	42	11	
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HAY, OTHER	0	3	46	46	5	

Crop Progress as of April 16, 2017 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
APPLES: GREEN TIP	21	8	55	19
PEACHES: GREEN	10	<5	58	18
TIP				
PEARS: GREEN TIP	19	10	68	21
CHERRIES, SWEET:	15	5	48	18
GREEN TIP				
CHERRIES, TART:	11	<5	15	7
GREEN TIP				

April 16, 2017 New York Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary				Accumulation Since April 1, 20							
									GDD	Base			
		T	emp	eratı	ıre	Precip	itation	Pre	cipita	tion	50	F	40F
Region	Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Davs	Total	DFN	Tota
Northern	Fort Drum	79	33	54	+11	0.29	3	3.67	+2.17	8	53	+53	12
	Highmarket	75	24	45	+5	0.44	2	3.64	+1.32	8	11	+11	4
	Hooker_12NNW	80	31	52	+10	0.31	3	3.21	+1.57	8	36	+36	10
	Lowville	78	27	49	+7	0.23	3	2.51	+0.87	8	21	+21	7
	Massena	78	28	51	+9	0.62	3	2.64	+1.16	9	31	+31	9
	Watertown_Intl	78	24	52	+9	0.44	3	3.01	+1.66	8	50	+50	11
	Indian_Lake	78	23	45	+8	0.30	2	2.82	+1.41	7	9	+9	4
	Malone	79	29	50	+11	0.50	4	2.57	+1.22	10	23	+23	7
	Newcomb	76	25	47	+9	0.34	3	2.35	+0.83	9	11	+11	5
	North_Creek	79	24	48	+6	0.22	2	2.77	+0.82	8	14	+14	4
	Plattsburgh_Int	81	28	52	+10	0.31	3	1.73	+0.24	8	28	+28	ç
	Tupper_Lake_Sun	76	25	47	+9	0.32	3	2.22	+0.65	8	19	+19	5
Western	Avon	78	31	52	+8	0.33	2	2.52	+1.10	8	36	+36	12
	Buffalo_Intl_AP	75	33	56	+11	0.14	3	2.54	+1.02	8	63	+63	15
	Canandaigua_3S	81	34	54	+10	0.23	2	2.25	+0.70	6	44	+44	13
	Colden_1W	75	29	51	+9	0.38	2	3.18	+1.27	8	42	+42	11
	Dansville_AP	83	31	56	+11	0.28	2	1.64	+0.32	8	72	+72	17
	Geneva_Research	80	33	53	+9	0.17	2	1.88	+0.47	6	41	+41	12
	Rochester_NY	80	34	56	+11	0.18	2	2.70	+1.30	7	72	+72	17
	Warsaw	74	30	51	+10	0.64	2	2.66	+1.01	7	35	+35	10
	Youngstown	77	31	53	+8	0.83	3	3.68	+2.48	9	44	+44	13
Central	Auburn_NY	82	28	53	+8	0.36	2	2.47	+0.82	7	48	+48	12
	Boonville	76	27	48	+8	0.30	2	3.58	+1.26	8	23	+23	(
	Cooperstown	78	32	54	+12	0.15	1	2.94	+1.11	5	43	+43	11
	Fulton-Oswego	81	28	54	+10	0.23	2	2.79	+1.12	6	54	+54	13
	Maryland_6SW	78	26	51	+9	0.18	2	2.59	+0.75	8	29	+29	ç
	Sherburne	80	26	51	+8	0.20	2	2.98	+1.33	7	37	+37	10
	Syracuse_AP	81	29	55	+10	0.24	2	3.04	+1.34	7	60	+60	14
Eastern	Albany_County_A	87	33	59	+13	0.15	3	1.77	+0.17	8	69	+67	16
	Alcove_Dam	86	29	52	+8	0.28	3	2.38	+0.58	8	26	+26	Š
	Brunswick_NY	87	33	56	+13	0.12	3	1.90	+0.01	8	51	+51	14
	Buskirk	83	27	51	+8	0.25	3	1.77	-0.12	8	28	+28	Š
	Cobleskill	82	27	52	+9	0.08	3	2.07	+0.53	8	32	+32	Š
	Glens_Falls_AP	85	28	55	+11	0.07	2	2.24	+0.76	7	43	+43	12
	Peck_Lake	73	26	47	+5	0.05	2	3.75	+1.80	8	12	+12	4
Southwest	Alfred	80	23	51	+10	0.36	2	1.75	+0.22	8	29	+29	10
	Corning	78	26	51	+7	0.11	2	1.40	+0.06	8	35	+35	11
	Franklinville	77	28	50	+9	0.38	2	1.72	+0.08	7	23	+23	10
	Hornell_Almond_	79	25	49	+9	0.24	2	1.50	+0.01	6	23	+23	٥
	Jamestown_AP	73	30	54	+10	0.25	2	1.84	+0.16	6	58	+58	14
	Olean	79	26	52	+10	0.37	2	1.52	-0.28	6	29	+29	11
	Perrysburg	79	28	54	+10	0.19	3	2.46			53	+53	13
Southern	Binghamton_Broo	78	33	56	+13	0.06	2	2.39	+0.67	7	58	+58	14
	Elmira_Ag	80	27	54	+9	0.00	0	1.33	-0.17	4	45	+45	14
	Ithaca_Cornell_	79	29	53	+10	0.12	2	1.81	+0.17		44	+44	12
	Mecklenburg	78	29	52	+9	0.27	2	2.63	+0.93		40	+40	1.
	Waverly	81	27	54	+9	0.05	1	1.88			44	+44	14
	Whitney_Point_L	78	27	51	+7	0.07	2	2.71	+0.91		26		10
Southeast	Carmel_4N	83	33	54	+6	0.06		1.78	-0.43		37	+26	13
	East_Jewett	84	23	49	+9	0.03	2	2.67	+0.37				
	Mohonk_Lake	82	32	56	+9	0.03	1	1.84	-0.18				1′
	Montgomery_NY_A	88	34	58	+12	0.03	1	1.84	-0.03			+62	1
	New_York_LGA	78	50	62	+10	0.03	1	2.51	+0.70			+72	2.
	Poughkeepsie_Ag	88	31	57	+10	0.04	1	1.70	-0.10				1
	Shrub_Oak	87	29	54	+6	0.10	1	1.84	-0.32			+25	14
	Vanderbilt_Muse	75	40	56	+6	0.00	0		-0.21	4		+33	1′
	Walton	83	23	50	+6	0.25	2	2.54	+0.59	7	20	+20	
	Westhampton	74	27	50	+1	0.00	0	1.34	-0.82	4	17	+5	13

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:

Some manure spreading and plowing has started. Standing water on some fields still. Things starting to green up.

Cayuga County; Keith Severson, Cornell Coop Extension Cayuga: Still wet from rains and melt a little primary tillage and a lot of manure incorporation.

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

Crop season is moving along. Hay crops are breaking dormancy. Winter damage minimal. Winter wheat growing well. Oats starting to be planted along with other spring grains. Early sweet corn planting under way. Tillage and manure spreading are the focus for many dairy farmers. Hay crop and lawns greening much earlier than last year. Warm rains have contributed to that. Temperatures have been warmer even though they are up and down. Last snow sugar snow was April 7. Easter Sunday April 16 was very warm 70s to low 80's.

Cortland/ Tompkins Counties; Jennifer Doty:

Field work began in earnest for many producers when the ground dried, but more rain showers have halted progress. New seedlings are going in.

Genesee/ Niagara/ Orleans Counties; Nathan R Herendeen:

Grasses, alfalfa, clover, winter wheat growing rapidly. No planting of oats or spring barley yet, but will start Monday if no rain tonight. Some Nitrogen was applied on wheat alongside some manure application, but field conditions are still wet.

Livingston County; Dean R Pendergast:

Limited field work to date.

Madison County; Jessica Pylman:

Madison County has had some rain showers here and there but with the warm weather and breezy weather, everything seems to be drying up nicely. Some of the higher elevation land and a few of the well-drained fields in the lower elevations are just starting to see some field work. However there are many fields that are simply just too wet to get on yet.

Oneida County; Devon Kenny:

Things are just beginning to grow. Hay, wheat and cover crops are beginning to green up. Some plowing has started in the county but not a lot. Temps got into the 70's last week but we had a few rainy days so there is still a lot of mud.

Ontario County; Joann Rogers, County Executive Director FSA:

Ontario County had some mild temperatures and sunshine that started drying fields out; limited field preparations and limited manure spreading occurred at the end of the week.

Rensselaer/ Saratoga/ Warren/ Washington Counties; David Holck, USDA-Farm Service Agency:

We had some showers during the week, but most of the week was dry, warm, and windy which helped dry things out. Dairy farmers were busy spreading manure. A small amount of sweet corn was planted under plastic.

Suffolk County; Alice V Wise:

Long Island vineyard crews are finishing up with tying canes to the fruiting wire. Buds are swelling but bud break has not yet occurred. In warmer springs, bud break occurs April 15.

Wyoming County; Ashley Simmons:

Just getting started in many areas. Ground is still wet in many places, but some progress is being made. Some burn down on cover crops and nitrogen applications on wheat.