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**Good Week for Field Work:** Pennsylvania had an average of 5.0 days suitable for field work last week. Reported temperatures for Pennsylvania include a state average of 38(°F), a high of 69(°F) and a low of 14(°F). Unseasonably warm weather for late November provided opportunities to catch or up on, if not finish, remaining seasonal field work. Reports of excellent growth in cover crops, enough that some may consider a late cutting in order to avoid winter smothering. Field work included plowing, fertilizing and seeding.

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 29, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	1	11	86	2
SUBSOIL	2	13	84	1

### Crop Conditions as of November 29, 2015

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
PASTURE AND RANGE	5	20	35	30	10

### Crop Progress as of November 29, 2015

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	88	86	85	91
GRAPES: HARVESTED	96	85	N/A	N/A
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	95	94	N/A	N/A
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	95	94	91	93
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	95	93	N/A	N/A

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## November 29, 2015 Pennsylvania 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
Northwest	Clarion	62	20	39	+5	0.45	3	35.70	+1.15	127	2654	+418	4725
	Erie	64	29	43	+5	0.44	2	26.16	-4.81	97	3230	+490	5392
	Franklin_AG	62	23	39	+2	0.60	3	36.13	+3.84	116	2907	+417	5035
	Meadville-Port	62	22	41	+5	0.50	3	33.37	+1.56	106	3078	+772	5246
	Springboro	61	24	39	+3	0.45	4	31.86	+2.47	117	2515	+184	4566
	Titusville	62	19	38	+4	0.47	2	33.33	+0.28	90	2551	+485	4623
	Warren	61	24	38	+3	0.39	2	32.12	-0.43	112	2664	+284	4738
North Central	Bradford_Region	58	20	37	+4	0.42	4	29.45	-2.73	115	2289	+525	4292
	Coudersport_1SW	62	20	35	+3	0.32	3	39.35	+7.94	116	2180	+322	4099
	Kane	61	19	37	+5	0.35	3	33.49	+0.45	120	2201	+686	4135
	Laporte	55	22	35	+1	0.11	2	32.69	+3.94	106	2298	+277	4246
	Lock_Haven	61	20	38	+2	0.08	2	27.77	-2.54	86	3218	+581	5361
	Oswayo	61	14	35	+2	0.29	4	33.51	+3.63	117	2150	+342	4093
	Renovo	61	23	38	+1	0.10	2	31.91	+3.34	98	2978	+361	5101
	Ridgway	62	22	39	+5	0.47	2	40.50	+8.61	115	2497	+594	4543
	Stevenson_Dam	63	23	37	+1	0.16	2	37.01	+6.09	101	2631	+245	4670
	Towanda	62	21	38	+2	0.05	2	29.38	+4.15	88	2820	+421	4887
	Wellsboro	60	19	35	+2	0.29	3	32.52	+7.29	106	2231	+398	4192
Williamsport_AP	62	25	41	+4	0.07	1	32.50	+2.63	91	3534	+786	5748	
Northeast	Hawley	63	17	35	0	0.02	1	29.21	-0.32	84	2466	+408	4450
	Milanville	64	18	39	+4	0.01	1	27.81	-1.59	88	2656	+598	4689
	Susquehanna	62	19	37	+3	0.08	2	29.74	-1.16	98	2608	+410	4639
	Wilkes-Barre	63	21	41	+4	0.03	1	24.80	-2.88	84	3517	+833	5727
West Central	Butler	62	21	38	+2	0.26	2	34.92	+4.41	112	2821	+484	4938
	New_Castle_Ag	69	22	42	+5	0.45	2	35.71	+7.50	108	3258	+612	5464
	Slippery_Rock	63	19	40	+4	0.46	3	33.96	+3.33	114	3024	+888	5154
Central	Altoona_AP	67	23	43	+6	0.06	2	26.13	-0.28	99	3182	+478	5383
	Du_Bois	61	18	39	+5	0.30	2	36.40	+6.06	109	3115	+880	5265
	Elizabethville	61	23	40	+2	0.07	2	28.91	-1.32	77	3365	+641	5533
	Lewistown	63	24	40	+2	0.04	1	29.03	-0.26	92	3394	+573	5592
	Middletown	65	27	43	+3	0.02	1	30.57	+2.09	75	4070	+745	6359
	Prince_Gallitzi	63	20	38	+2	0.25	2	30.91	+3.07	111	2843	+513	4926
	Selinsgrove_2S	62	23	39	+2	0.04	1	27.07	-3.16	82	3247	+523	5401
	State_College_P	63	25	41	+5	0.09	2	30.97	+3.04	107	3076	+513	5227
East Central	Allentown-Bethl	65	21	42	+4	0.02	1	27.47	-4.38	70	3690	+863	5925
	Lehighton	59	22	39	+4	0.01	1	36.88	+1.65	89	2907	+478	5041
	Mt_Pocono	59	16	38	+6	0.02	1	37.74	+3.36	84	2607	+845	4683
Southwest	Pittsburgh_Alle	67	23	46	+9	0.24	2	33.12	+6.16	102	3613	+1038	5880
	Chalk_Hill	65	19	40	+4	0.41	2	33.16	-3.87	119	3031	+774	5208
	Connellsville_A	66	19	42	+4	0.50	2	33.63	+2.93	113	3443	+674	5665
	Indiana_3SE	66	18	40	+2	0.44	2	37.92	+4.57	116	2860	+254	5010
	Meyersdale	64	17	37	+2	0.38	1	28.11	-2.66	107	2439	+280	4478
	Pittsburgh_Intl	64	20	43	+5	0.23	2	30.12	+3.47	88	3665	+797	5912
	Waynesburg	66	15	40	+2	0.53	1	27.08	-0.82	93	3142	+510	5318
South Central	Biglerville	65	25	42	+5	0.14	1	37.25	+6.70	69	3595	+797	5825
	Everett	65	18	38	+1	0.12	2	25.96	-1.48	98	2739	+212	4833
	Hanover	65	24	42	+1	0.19	1	32.09	+5.76	81	3479	+209	5691
	Harrisburg_AP	66	28	44	+4	0.01	1	31.44	+2.96	74	3940	+615	6222
	South_Mountain	61	22	39	-2	0.18	1	30.02	-3.98	86	2880	-185	5005
Southeast	York_AP	66	21	42	+2	0.07	1	35.11	+5.32	76	3521	+306	5754
	Doylestown_AG	65	24	42	-2	0.03	1	26.92	-6.03	66	3598	+128	5817
	Green_Lane	64	24	41	+2	0.05	1	27.85	-3.19	63	3562	+718	5781
	Hamburg	61	25	41	+3	0.00	0	35.36	+2.07	76	3446	+511	5646
	Lancaster_AP	65	25	42	+3	0.03	1	26.93	-3.78	72	3595	+487	5836
	Neshaminy_Falls	65	21	42	+2	0.11	2	28.22	-6.96	68	3725	+536	5957
	New_Holland	65	24	44	+5	0.08	1	27.72	-5.96	71	3882	+1067	6153
	Philadelphia_AP	66	33	47	+4	0.08	1	29.74	+1.18	64	4658	+935	7011
	Philadelphia_NE	66	27	46	+6	0.02	1	24.76	-10.42	65	4473	+1284	6796
	Reading_AP	65	26	43	+3	0.02	1	25.51	-5.80	67	3867	+716	6124
	Sellersville	65	20	39	-2	0.04	1	27.16	-7.57	68	3256	+294	5401
West_Chester	67	21	42	+2	0.11	1	28.53	-4.37	75	3540	+389	5742	

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.*

### **ADAMS County, Judy Behney**

Adams County had a nice week of weather. Temperatures were above normal for this time of the year. Some drizzle over the weekend but no accumulation. Corn and soybean harvest is just about completed in the county. Most producers were trying to get done so they didn't have to worry about hunters in standing crops. Most are reporting good yields but some sections of the county had poor yields and some stating poorest corn they ever had. Fruit crops harvest is complete and most reporting good yields for this year. Now producers are doing their usual winter maintenance on their orchards. Some producers are busy removing older trees and getting areas cleaned up before weather changes. Adams County producers are pretty satisfied with their crops for 2015 crop year and are looking forward to next year. They are disappointed in the prices that they are getting for their crops.

### **ADAMS County, Thomas Kerr**

It has been a good season, some areas had a little too much rain while others suffered one of their driest in many years. Overall fruit was excellent, grain crops exceeded expectations in most areas, forage was abundant, but hay was poor due to a wet June.

### **CENTRE County, Dick A. Decker**

Field work mostly complete. It was a great fall to get it done.

### **JUNIATA / SNYDER Counties, William C. Sheaffer**

Harvest is complete. Late seeding of wheat and rye is near completion. It was a great fall for these activities.

### **LANCASTER County, Jeff Graybill**

The warm weather has stimulated excellent growth on small grains and cover crops. Some concerns that excessive growth may cause winter smothering in susceptible species such as ryegrass. A late high cutting may be in order.

### **MERCER County, Jim Rust**

Fall tillage chores like stalk chopping, disking, chisel plowing, lime and fertilizer applications are being completed at a brisk rate. November ended up being the second warmest on record. The mild weather has given livestock producers a break in hay consumption and extended the pasture season.