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Agronomy Update

September 2, 2016

Locations

Auburn

55 Columbus St
Auburn, NY 13021
315-253-7379

Bernardston

472 Northfield Road
Bernardston, MA
01337
413-648-9900

Niverville

831 Route 28
Niverville, NY 12130
518-784-9166

Oriskany Falls

8341 US State Rt 20
Oriskany Falls, NY
13425
315-841-3201

Salem

4134 State Rt 22
Salem, NY 12865
518-854-9446

Tri Valley Crop Ctr

337 State Hwy 162
Sprakers, NY 12166
518-673-5336



Think Safety

Frank Flis

Fall is approaching and harvest looms. You need to get animal waste structures empty, plant winter grains or cover crop, get grain bins and drying systems up, get the augers ready, and prepare the chopper for corn harvest. Also, who's driving harvest equipment? What about trucks and silo packers? Are the elevators working? And - oh no - these days are getting shorter and will we have to work in the dark?

Yes- fall can be a busy time, but please make part of that fall preparation process to be **THINK SAFETY!** Plan a safety meeting for all those that will be involved in fall work.

Tillage crews should be aware of equipment size in transport. Are safety pins locked? Are they there? Have the implements been serviced recently? Check all moving parts! Do trucks and motorized equipment have fire extinguishers? Are the hitch pins worn (new ones are cheap insurance)? Does everyone know where they are suppose to be and aware of potential increases in traffic around unloading area? Do you know where the powerlines are around dump areas? Have you checked tire air pressures? Reviewed silage packing equipment procedures?

Have a successful harvest. But, most importantly, have a safe harvest. Safety requires preparation and sufficient rest. TAKE A BREAK

Auburn

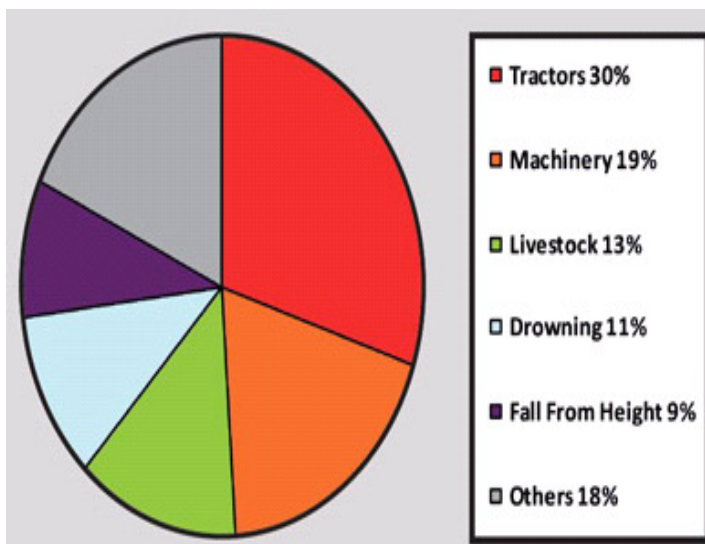
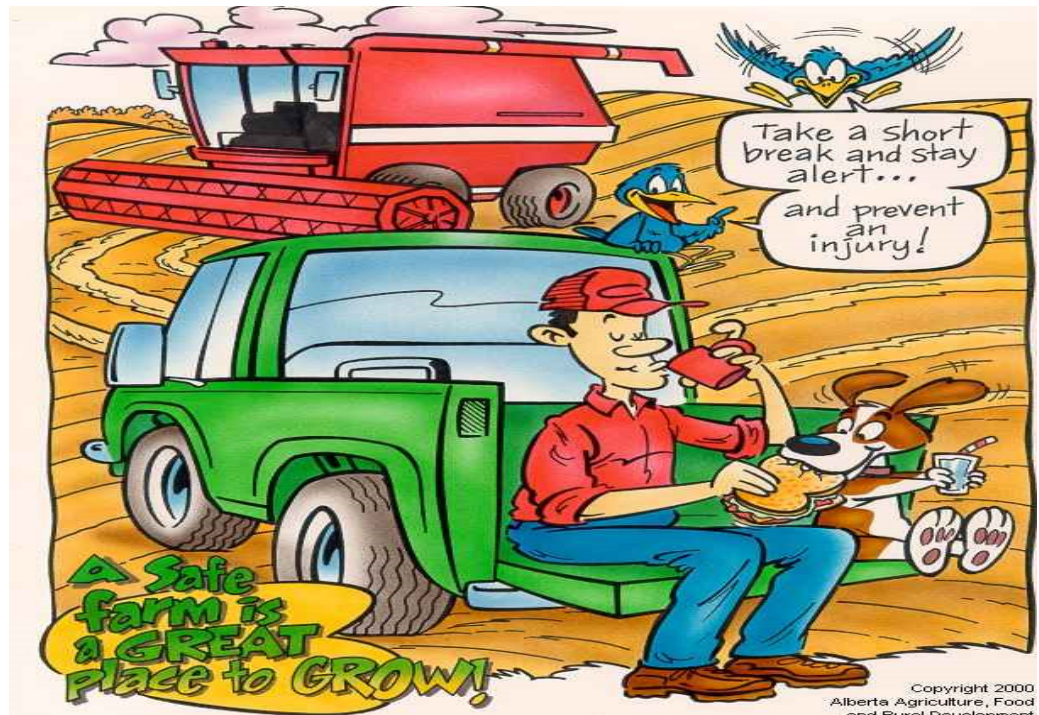
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Weather Update

	Approx. Weekly Rainfall	Avg expected high Temp next week	Avg expected Low Temp next week	GDD (Base 50) since Jan 1	GDD (Base 50) since Mar 1	GDD (Base 50) since Apr 1	GDD (Base 50) since May 1
Auburn	.79	84	62	2263	2263	2239	2203
Bernardston	.04	77	56	2272	2272	2246	2193
Niverville	.08	81	61	2294	2294	2261	2205
Oriskany Falls	.58	79	59	2208	2208	2171	2134
Salem	.19	81	59	2001	2001	1976	1932
TVCC	.22	80	59	2447	2447	2417	2343

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New York

Crop Progress & Condition

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Excellent Week for Field Work: New York had an average of 6 days suitable for field work. Dry weather has continued throughout the state most of this week, with several counties reporting being in a D3 drought category. A few regions reported minor rain (0.01-0.50 inches), however no significant rainfall was reported throughout the state. In regions that reported rainfall, the rain is helping. Soybeans, pasture and alfalfa conditions improved because of the rain. Spider mites are reported being a problem in soybean. Corn silage harvest has started and yield are expected to be low. Apples harvesting has started and the rain has helped improve fruit sizes but warm weather delayed red color development. Peaches, blueberry, day-neutral strawberry and fall raspberry harvest is under way throughout the state with no reports of infested fruits. Field activities for the week included small fruit harvesting, pest control, applying pesticides and manure, irrigation, repair and maintenance of equipment.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending August 28, 2016
(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	23	24	40	13
SUBSOIL	21	26	43	10

Crop Conditions as of August 28, 2016
(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
BARLEY	0	2	26	70	2
CORN	8	10	22	44	16
GRAPES	0	7	30	62	1
HAY, ALFALFA	6	5	37	45	7
HAY, OTHER	8	7	40	41	4
OATS	2	3	21	69	5
PASTURE AND RANGE	6	13	39	36	6
SOYBEANS	7	13	28	45	7
WINTER WHEAT	0	3	22	57	18

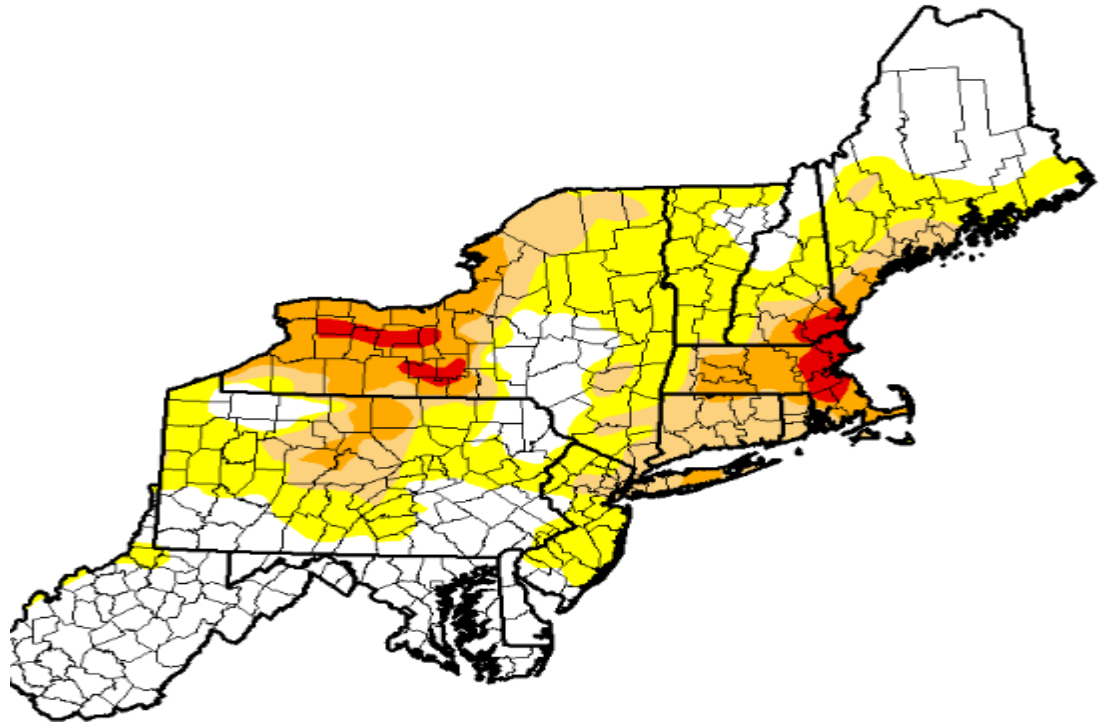
Crop Progress as of August 28, 2016
(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
FALL TILLAGE: SINGLE	16	10	24	N/A
BARLEY: HEADED	89	89	N/A	N/A
BARLEY: HARVESTED	52	44	78	N/A
CABBAGE: HARVESTED	43	43	51	N/A
CORN: SILKING	87	83	90	N/A
CORN: DOUGH	51	35	53	N/A
CORN: DENTED	19	10	7	N/A
CORN AVERAGE HEIGHT: (IN.)	71	68	90	N/A
HAY, ALFALFA: SECOND CUTTING	95	91	96	97
HAY, ALFALFA: THIRD CUTTING	46	41	60	N/A
HAY, OTHER: SECOND CUTTING	89	86	87	N/A
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	42	34	49	N/A
OATS: HARVESTED	85	80	78	80
POTATOES: HARVESTED	29	28	36	36
SNAP BEANS: HARVESTED	43	39	53	58
SOYBEANS: BLOOMING	95	94	94	N/A
SOYBEANS: SETTING PODS	79	64	72	N/A
SWEET CORN: HARVESTED	62	52	67	64
APPLES: HARVESTED	14	13	18	20
PEACHES: HARVESTED	68	63	59	65
PEARS: HARVESTED	41	38	37	40
CHERRIES, SWEET: HARVESTED	100	94	100	N/A

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

U.S. Drought Monitor

Northeast



August 30, 2016
 (Released Thursday September 1, 2016)
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Statistics type:

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Week	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current 2016-08-30	41.51	58.49	27.29	12.82	2.52	0.00
Last Week 2016-08-23	44.14	55.86	25.61	12.16	2.32	0.00
3 Months Ago 2016-05-31	60.56	39.44	0.78	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 2015-12-29	62.10	37.90	6.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 2015-09-29	42.41	57.59	9.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 2015-09-01	72.76	27.24	3.26	0.00	0.00	0.00

Estimated Population in Drought Areas: **32,814,309**

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Intensity:

- D0** (Abnormally Dry)
- D2** (Severe Drought)
- D4** (Exceptional Drought)
- D1** (Moderate Drought)
- D3** (Extreme Drought)

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying [text summary](#) for forecast statements.