|  |
| --- |
| **Evidence about UK weather, Summer of 1816** |

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Date** | **Location** | **Weather remarks** | **Impact quotes** | **Impacts** |
| 1st June – 31st August 1816 | Clipston Northampton | Very wet summer | …the harvest late and the corn in general very much injured by rain which continued for a long time. Farmers breaking & landlords obliged to scale the rents | Poor late harvest, high food prices, farmers struggling to pay rents |
| 27th June – 17th July 1816 | Bungay Norfolk | Rain | I have not begun Hay cutting there has been so much rain almost every day for 3 weeks | Delay to hay harvest |
| 1816 | Halberton Devon | Rain | A very extraordinary harvest in 1816, corn two thirds grown. Harvest one month later than ever it was known. | Late harvest, loss of livelihood |
| August 1816 - 4th September 1816 | Pen Y Fan South Wales | Rain | My dear Mrs Johnes… We have had a melancholy continuance of bad weather, god grant us soon better, or I know not what will become of the country, there is a great deal of corn down in this neighbourhood, which if not soon harvested will be entirely spoilt... | Loss of agricultural crop |
| 1st June 1816 - 30th November 1816 | Uk Wide, Stourbridge, Worcestershire | Incessant rains throughout summer and autumn months. | The almost incessant rains which fell during the summer of this year and continued with little intermission during the autumnal months; produced, in addition to the distresses occasioned by the failure of employment, a great deal of calamity in the country. In the northern parts of the Kingdom, large quantities of corn were gathered in in an unripe state | Crops unripe. Many people suffering hardship, soup kitchens established |
| 1st June 1816 - 31st August 1816 | London, UK wide | Cold/extreme cold | I congratulate you upon the late favourable weather for getting in the harvest, after a summer more unseasonable than any former one in my remembrance. I have remained in town the whole season, having little inducement to leave home in such weather as long prevailed, but I often thought of the bad effects it might have in the country, which apprehension is now done away by the good reports from various parts of the kingdom... | Late harvest |