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Agricultural Summary

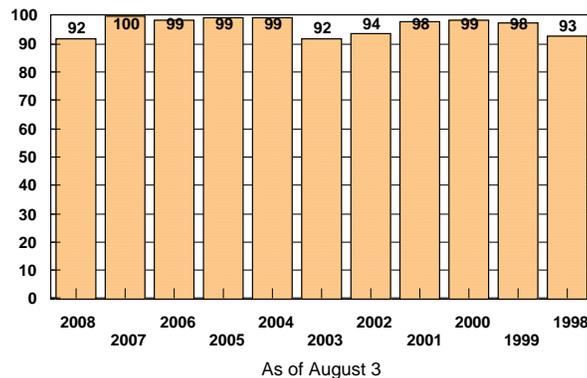
Warm temperatures and sunny skies throughout Illinois early in the week allowed producers to continue spraying fields, cutting hay, and harvesting oats. Showers toward the end of the week were prevalent and aided in crop progress across the state. There were 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork. The average temperature this past week was 1.8 degrees above normal. Topsoil moisture was rated 1 percent very short, 9 percent short, 80 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. The average weekly precipitation was 0.72 inch above normal. Other activities included attending county fairs and summer vacations.

Crop Progress

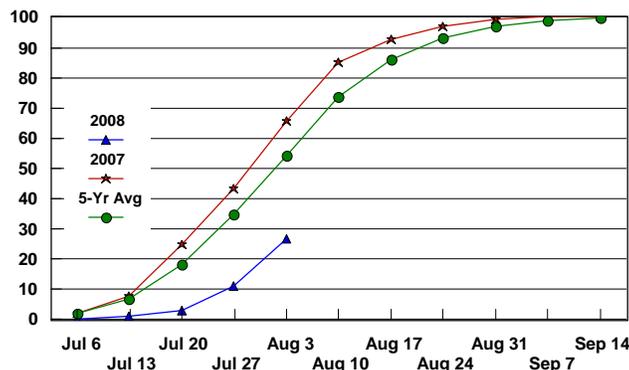
	This Week	Last Week	2007	5-Year Average
August 3				
CORN:				
Silked	92	79	100	98
Dough	27	11	66	54
Dent	2	1	14	12
SOYBEANS:				
Blooming	74	53	96	93
Setting Pods	31	15	73	62
Turning Yellow	1/	1/	1	1
SORGHUM:				
Headed	39	36	87	69
Coloring	2	1/	16	11
OATS:				
Ripe	96	63	97	98
Harvested	63	37	90	86
ALFALFA:				
Second Cutting	92	89	99	98
Third Cutting	24	15	44	40

1/ Less than one percent

Corn - Percent Silked
Illinois



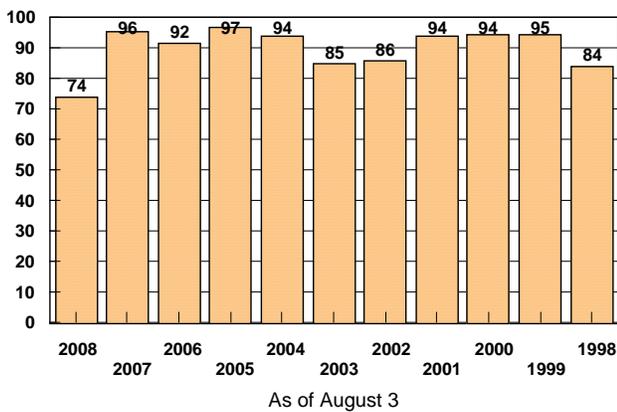
Corn - Percent Dough
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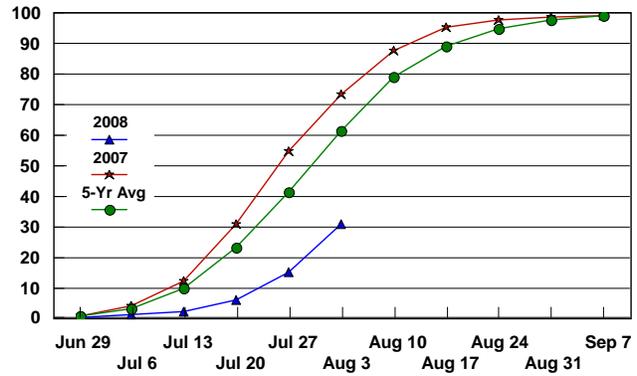
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	July 28-August 3			August 3	
Northwest	5.4	-	9	87	4
Northeast	6.0	2	26	72	-
West	4.4	-	1	89	10
Central	4.3	-	2	84	14
East	5.8	3	17	78	2
W Southwest	3.8	-	1	76	23
E Southeast	5.1	-	10	78	12
Southwest	2.4	-	4	53	43
Southeast	4.0	3	11	84	2
State	4.8	1	9	80	10

Soybeans - Percent Blooming
Illinois



Soybeans - Percent Setting Pods
Illinois



Crop Conditions

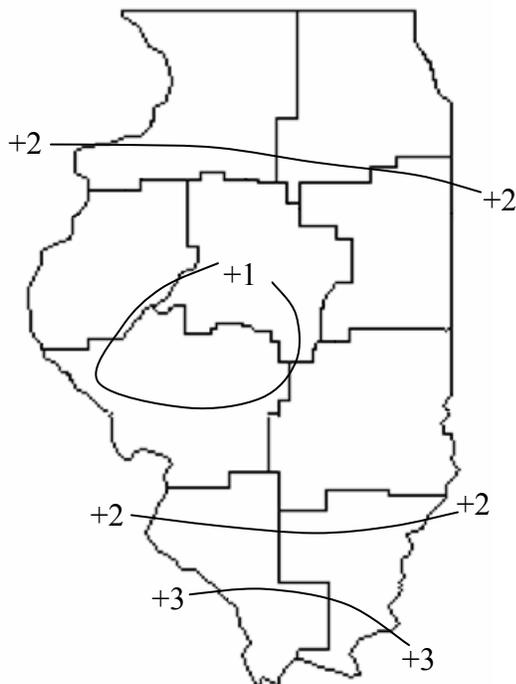
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
			August 3		
Corn	2	5	20	53	20
Soybeans	3	6	27	53	11
Sorghum	-	3	40	48	9
Pasture	1	1	19	63	16

Crop Progress by Districts

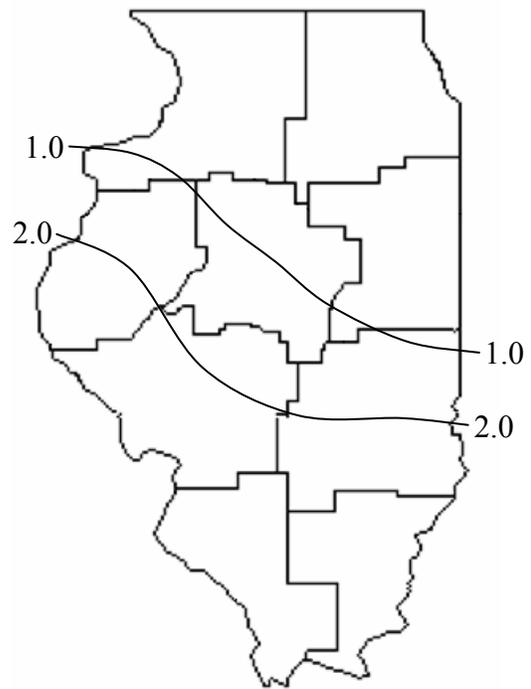
District	Corn Silked	Corn Dough	Soybeans Blooming	Soybeans Setting Pods
			August 3	
Northwest	94	22	84	32
Northeast	92	13	98	29
West	95	28	70	33
Central	96	36	92	53
East	95	26	72	46
W Southwest	86	29	53	16
E Southeast	91	32	66	10
Southwest	77	27	60	36
Southeast	87	28	67	15
State	92	27	74	31

Weather Information Table

District	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure	Since May 1	Departure
July 28 - August 3						
Northwest	74.7	2.5	0.72	0.03	1,627	-110
Northeast	74.5	2.2	0.66	-0.13	1,581	-110
West	76.0	1.5	1.93	1.13	1,826	-120
Central	75.1	1.5	0.89	0.13	1,770	-119
East	74.6	1.4	0.83	0.03	1,746	-114
W Southwest	75.9	0.8	2.30	1.47	1,904	-118
E Southeast	76.2	1.2	2.19	1.25	1,951	-81
Southwest	79.0	2.6	2.04	1.25	2,085	-45
Southeast	79.0	2.6	2.17	1.43	2,145	-5
State	76.0	1.8	1.52	0.72	1,836	-95



Temperature (°F) Departure
July 28 - August 3



Precipitation (in.) Total
July 28 - August 3

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