

# ILLINOIS WEATHER & CROPS



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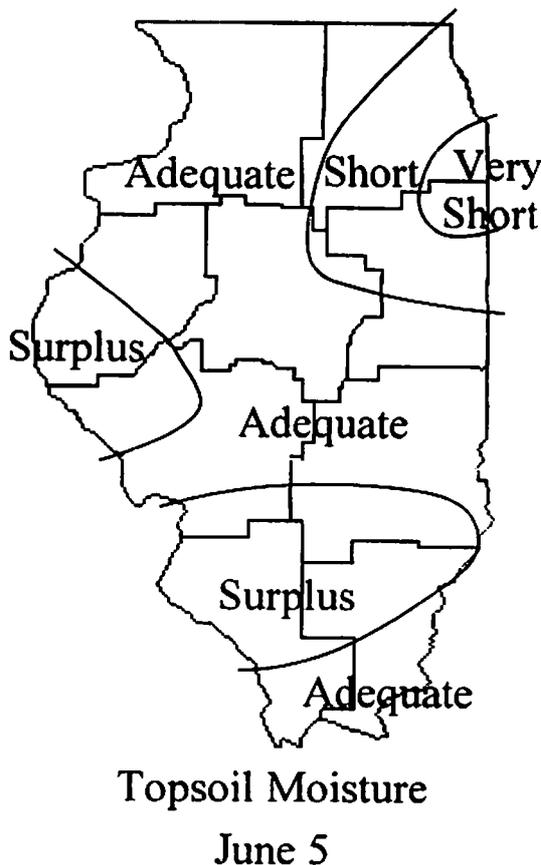
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Excessive rain across southern Illinois continues to cause concern for farmers, while in the north many areas would benefit from a nice rainfall. Due to the wet conditions this year, farmers have been replanting corn throughout the season, and as of June 7, 13 percent of the corn crop had been replanted with some farmers planting corn for the third time. Topsoil moisture, as of June 5, was rated two percent very short, 13 percent short, 56 percent adequate and 29 percent surplus. The affects of the wet spring can also be seen in the wheat crop. While the crop has progressed ahead of normal, many fields are contending with excessive scab damage. The wheat condition was rated one percent very poor, ten percent poor, 32 percent fair, 50 percent good and seven percent excellent as of June 5. Days suitable for fieldwork averaged 4.8 last week. Farmers utilized this time to plant a substantial amount of the soybean crop. However, farmers in southeastern Illinois are finding it difficult to plant their beans with only 46 percent of the crop planted. As of June 7, 85 percent of the soybeans had been planted statewide, compared to 93 percent last year and 66 percent for the five-year average. Other farming activities last week included side dressing anhydrous, cultivating, hoeing bean fields, tilling and preparing equipment for wheat harvest.

### Crop Progress

Crop Stage	: 1998	: 1997	: 5-Year Average
June 7			
<b>CORN:</b>			
Planted	98	100	91
Emerged	91	NA	NA
Height (Inches)	9	8	6
Replanted	13	NA	NA
<b>SOYBEANS:</b>			
Planted	85	93	66
Emerged	62	NA	NA
<b>SORGHUM:</b>			
Planted	53	75	47
<b>WINTER WHEAT:</b>			
Headed	99	90	93
Filled	91	55	58
Turning yellow	66	6	15
Ripe	3	0	0
<b>OATS:</b>			
Headed	27	12	22
Filled	9	0	4
<b>ALFALFA HAY:</b>			
First cutting	74	45	46
Second cutting	2	0	0
<b>RED CLOVER:</b>			
Cut	59	31	42

NA - Not available

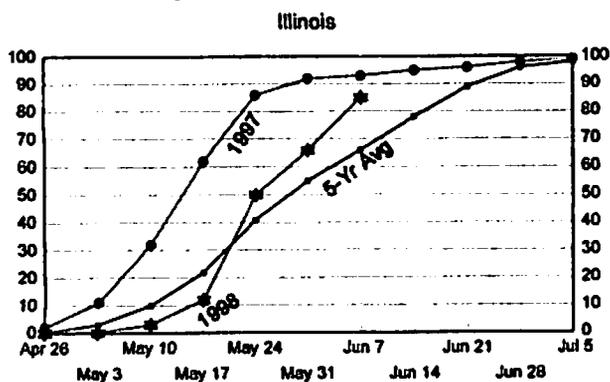


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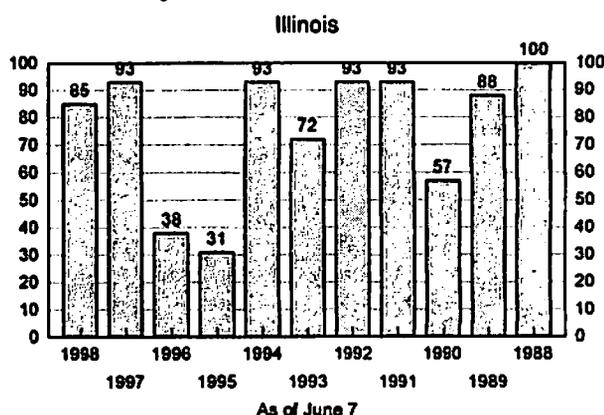
Crop	: Very Poor	: Poor	: Fair	: Good	: Excellent
			June 5		
Corn	3	8	29	53	7
Winter Wheat	1	10	32	50	7
Oats	-	2	24	62	12
Alfalfa	1	3	21	64	11
Red Clover	-	2	20	65	13
Pasture	-	2	18	65	15

The charts on this page and the next are available from the World Wide Web site noted in the upper right corner on the front page. There are also additional charts at that site that are not shown here.

**Soybeans - Percent Planted**



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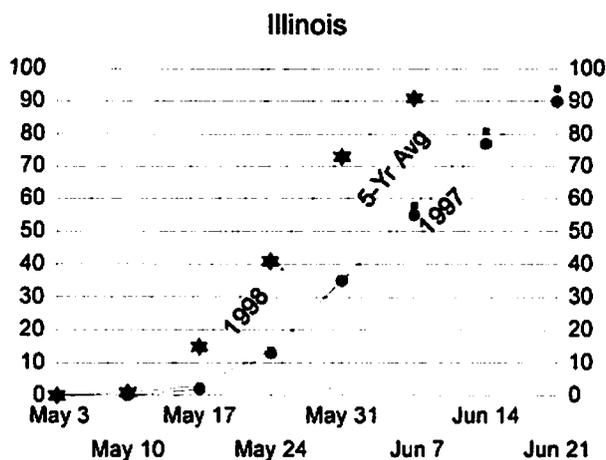
**Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture**

District	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture			
		: Very Short	: Short	: Adequate	: Surplus
	May 30 - June 5		June 5		
Northwest	4.3	-	5	94	1
Northeast	5.8	4	47	49	-
West	4.2	-	2	61	37
Central	4.6	-	10	83	7
East	5.5	13	30	50	7
W Southwest	4.2	-	-	46	54
E Southeast	5.2	2	7	55	36
Southwest	4.8	-	9	38	53
Southeast	4.2	-	20	33	47
State	4.8	2	13	56	29

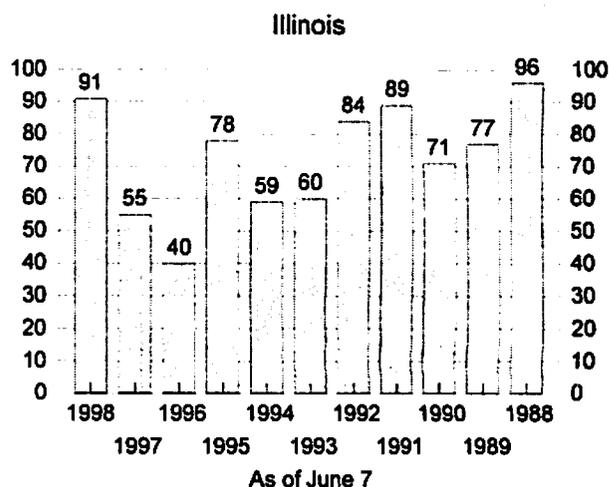
**Illinois District Summary**

District	Corn		Soybean	
	Acreage % Emerged	Acreage % Replanted	Acreage % Planted	Acreage % Emerged
June 7				
Northwest	92	1	90	64
Northeast	95	4	95	77
West	89	11	78	51
Central	94	14	94	72
East	97	16	95	85
W Southwest	90	18	88	59
E Southeast	86	24	83	43
Southwest	85	10	73	51
Southeast	76	21	46	28
State	91	13	85	62

**Winter Wheat - Percent Filled**



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**Temperature and Precipitation**

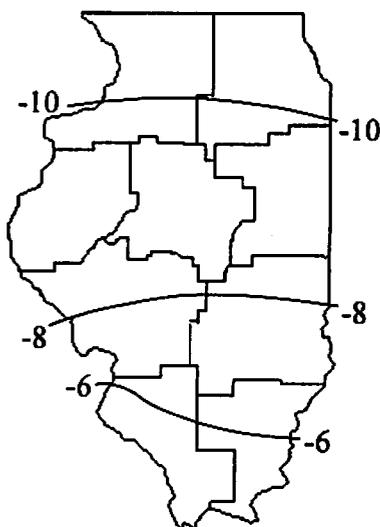
District	Temperature			Precipitation		
	Average	Normal	Departure	Total	Normal	Departure
June 1 - 7						
Northwest	57.4	67.9	- 10.5	.43	.77	- .34
Northeast	57.4	66.9	- 9.5	.26	.79	- .53
West	60.9	69.7	- 8.8	.36	.89	- .53
Central	60.6	69.5	- 8.9	.45	.85	- .40
East	60.7	69.2	- 8.5	.47	.92	- .44
W Southwest	62.9	70.3	- 7.4	1.30	1.02	.27
E Southeast	63.1	70.6	- 7.4	1.23	.97	.25
Southwest	66.5	71.3	- 4.8	2.15	.96	1.18
Southeast	66.5	71.8	- 5.2	1.88	1.01	.87
State	61.5	69.6	- 8.0	.92	.91	.01

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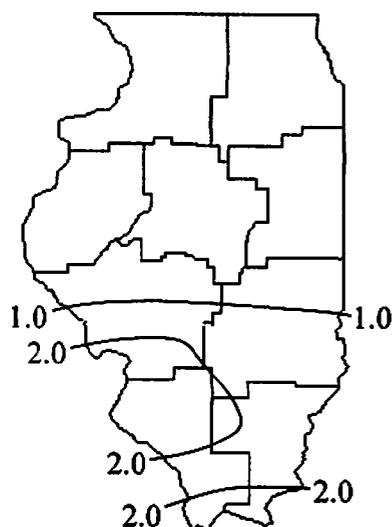
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Temperature Departure  
June 1 - 7



Precipitation Total  
June 1 - 7

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