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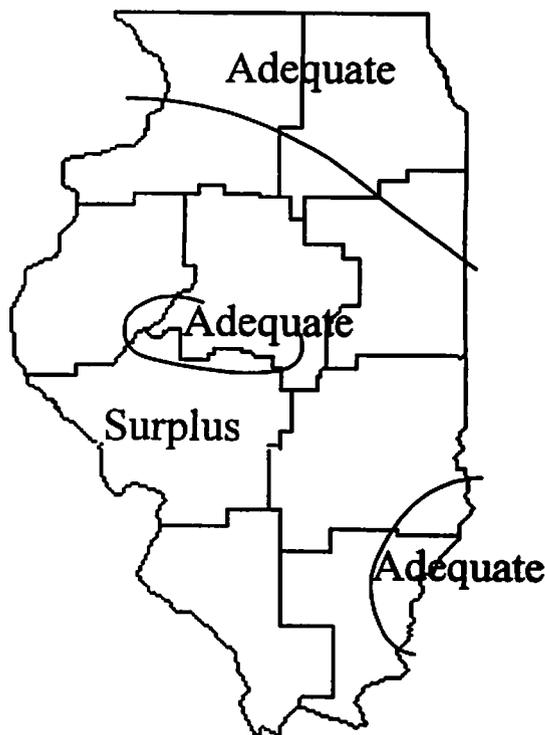
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Crop conditions continue to deteriorate as the rain continues to fall relentlessly over most of Illinois. Precipitation for the month of June, as of June 21, has averaged a total of 5.45 inches statewide, nearly double the normal of 2.77 inches for that time period. Many fields are ponding and some low area fields have drowned for the second and third time already this year. Corn fields are spotty and turning yellow, while many bean fields are contending with weeds, due to the delay of post emergence spraying. Cutting and baling hay has also been difficult with the excess moisture. With farmers pushing to harvest the wheat crop, the condition continues to drop, due to some poor head weights. As of June 19, the wheat crop was rated six percent very poor, 17 percent poor, 40 percent fair, 33 percent good, and four percent excellent. Last week farmers had an average of 1.5 days suitable for fieldwork. This marked the second straight week that less than two days were available to farmers. As of June 19, topsoil moisture was rated one percent short, 25 percent adequate and 74 percent surplus. Limited activities included cultivating, corn and bean replanting, spraying where possible and mowing roadsides.

Crop Progress

Crop Stage	: 1998	: 1997	: 5-Year Average
June 21			
CORN:			
Emerged	99	NA	NA
Height (Inches)	20	19	16
SOYBEANS:			
Planted	91	97	89
Emerged	84	NA	NA
Blooming	1	1	1
SORGHUM:			
Planted	62	79	72
WINTER WHEAT:			
Turning yellow	93	57	73
Ripe	65	3	20
Harvested	16	0	5
OATS:			
Headed	82	60	58
Filled	32	12	24
Turning yellow	1	0	3
ALFALFA HAY:			
First cutting	86	89	85
Second cutting	3	4	6
RED CLOVER:			
Cut	60	59	72

NA - Not available



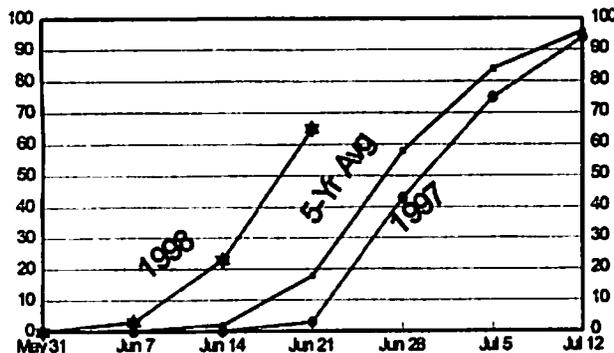
Topsoil Moisture
June 19

Crop Conditions

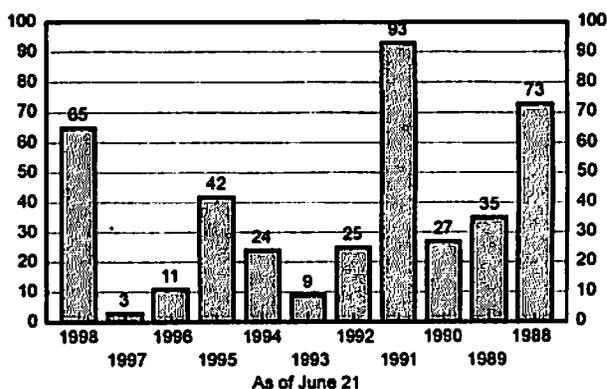
Crop	: Very Poor	: Poor	: Fair	: Good	: Excellent
June 19					
Corn	: 4	: 9	: 30	: 47	: 10
Winter Wheat	: 6	: 17	: 40	: 33	: 4
Oats	: -	: 2	: 25	: 52	: 21
Alfalfa	: 1	: 5	: 21	: 58	: 15
Red Clover	: 5	: 15	: 30	: 44	: 6
Pasture	: 1	: 3	: 16	: 61	: 19

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.

Winter Wheat - Percent Ripe
Illinois



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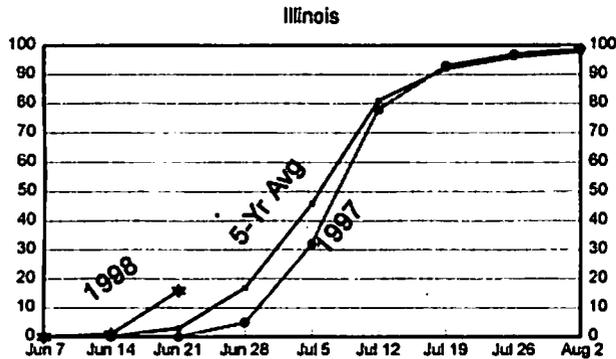
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture

District	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture			
		: Very Short	: Short	: Adequate	: Surplus
	June 13 - 19		June 19		
Northwest	: 2.3	-	: 51		: 49
Northeast	: 2.9	-	: 10		: 65
West	: 0.7	-	: 1		: 22
Central	: 1.3	-	: -		: 33
East	: .9	-	: -		: 17
W Southwest	: .9	-	: -		: 1
E Southeast	: 1.3	-	: -		: 4
Southwest	: 2.1	-	: -		: 7
Southeast	: 2.1	-	: -		: 33
State	: 1.5	-	: 1		: 25

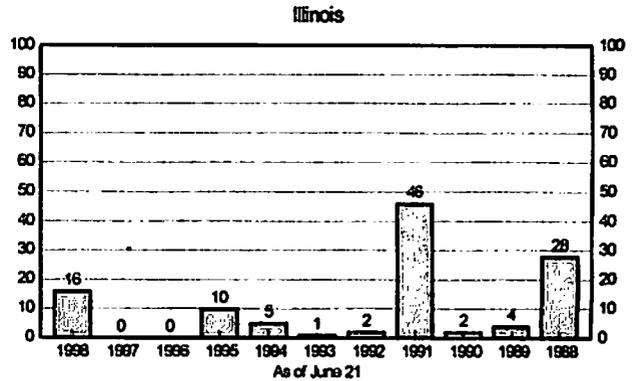
Illinois District Summary

District	Soybean Acreage % Planted		Soybean Acreage % Emerged	
	June 21			
Northwest	99		92	
Northeast	99		97	
West	90		85	
Central	98		98	
East	99		97	
W Southwest	94		89	
E Southeast	83		57	
Southwest	84		63	
Southeast	60		46	
State	91		84	

Winter Wheat - Percent Harvested



Winter Wheat - Percent Harvested



Temperature and Precipitation

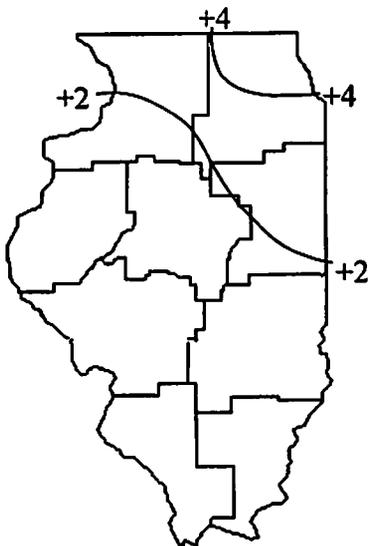
District	Temperature			Precipitation		
	Average	Normal	Departure	Total	Normal	Departure
June 15 - 21						
Northwest	71.9	70.1	1.8	1.97	1.03	0.94
Northeast	72.7	69.3	3.5	0.94	0.91	0.03
West	73.3	72.3	1.0	2.00	1.00	1.00
Central	73.2	71.9	1.4	2.16	1.07	1.09
East	73.4	71.5	1.9	2.53	0.98	1.55
W Southwest	74.1	73.1	1.1	2.22	0.94	1.28
E Southeast	74.2	73.1	1.2	1.93	0.91	1.02
Southwest	74.7	74.0	0.7	1.74	0.83	0.90
Southeast	75.3	74.2	1.0	1.51	0.80	0.72
State	73.6	72.1	1.5	1.90	0.95	0.95

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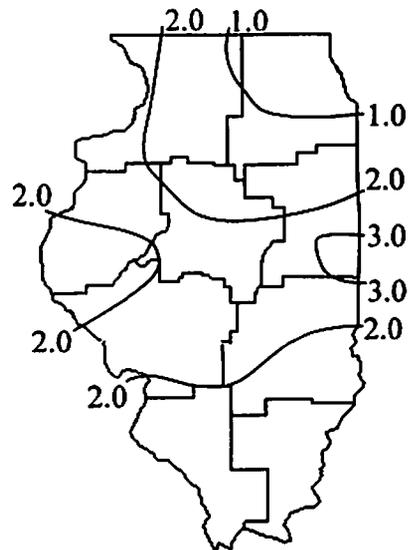
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Temperature Departure
June 15 - 21



Precipitation Total
June 15 - 21

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