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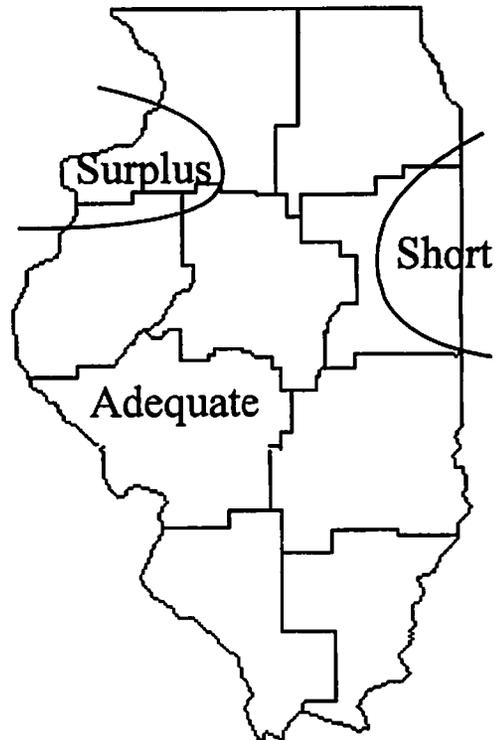
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Dry weather last week allowed farmers to nearly finish up corn harvest. As of November 22, 98 percent of the crop had been harvested equaling last year's 98 percent and slightly above the five-year average of 97 percent. With 98 percent of the winter wheat crop emerged, the condition was rated four percent poor, 24 percent fair, 59 percent good, and 13 percent excellent. As the 1998 crop season winds down, farmers are busy applying anhydrous ammonia, lime, and fertilizer, as well as completing fall tillage and storing equipment.

Crop Progress

Crop Stage	: 1998	: 1997	: 5-Year Average
November 22			
CORN:			
Harvested	98	98	97
WINTER WHEAT:			
Emerged	98	99	94
SORGHUM:			
Harvested	98	97	95

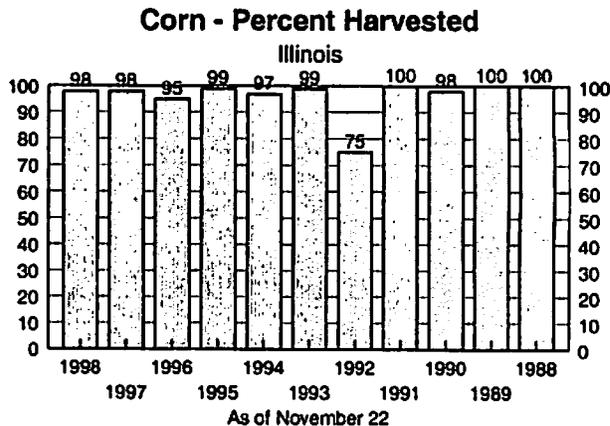
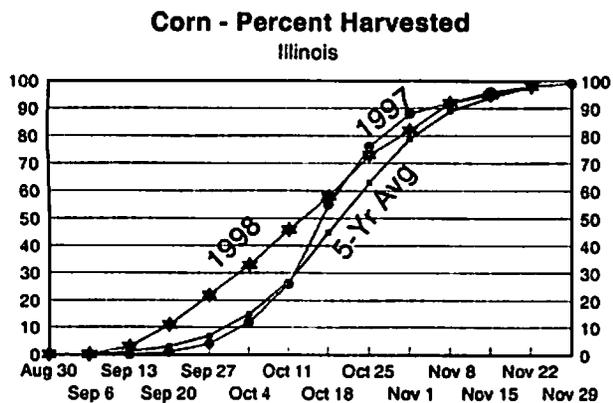


**Topsoil Moisture
November 20**

Crop Conditions

Crop	: Very Poor	: Poor	: Fair	: Good	: Excellent
	November 20				
Winter Wheat	-	4	24	59	13

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.



Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture

District	Days Suitable	Topsoil Moisture			
	for Fieldwork	: Very Short	: Short	: Adequate	: Surplus
	November 14 - 20	November 20			
Northwest	6.4	-	1	70	29
Northeast	6.9	-	-	100	-
West	5.7	-	-	98	2
Central	7.0	-	-	98	2
East	6.5	15	42	43	-
W Southwest	6.5	-	1	95	4
E Southeast	5.8	-	1	96	3
Southwest	5.8	-	-	95	5
Southeast	5.6	-	4	86	10
State	6.2	1	3	88	8

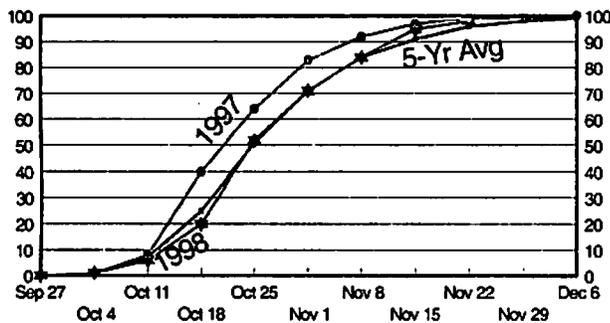
Illinois District Summary

District	:	Corn Acreage % Harvested

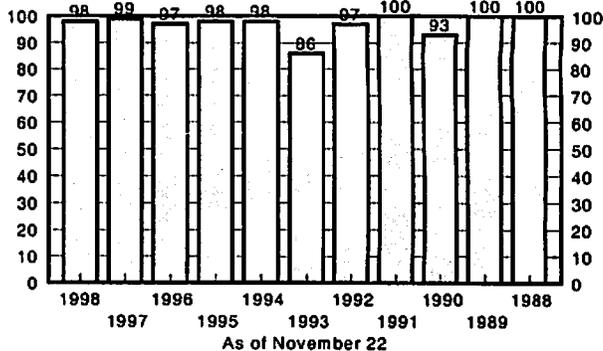
	:	November 22
Northwest	:	94
Northeast	:	97
West	:	99
Central	:	99
East	:	99
W Southwest	:	99
E Southeast	:	99
Southwest	:	99
Southeast	:	99

State	:	98

Winter Wheat - Percent Emerged
Illinois



Winter Wheat - Percent Emerged
Illinois



Temperature and Precipitation

District	Temperature			Precipitation		
	Average	Normal	Departure	Total	Normal	Departure

	November 16 - 22					
Northwest	39.0	38.1	0.9	0.00	0.47	-0.47
Northeast	40.1	38.8	1.3	0.00	0.57	-0.57
West	43.1	40.9	2.2	0.00	0.56	-0.56
Central	42.6	40.4	2.2	0.00	0.61	-0.61
East	42.2	40.3	1.8	0.01	0.63	-0.62
W Southwest	44.9	42.6	2.3	0.07	0.69	-0.62
E Southeast	44.7	42.9	1.8	0.17	0.84	-0.67
Southwest	47.2	45.1	2.1	0.49	0.96	-0.47
Southeast	46.7	45.5	1.2	0.53	0.98	-0.45

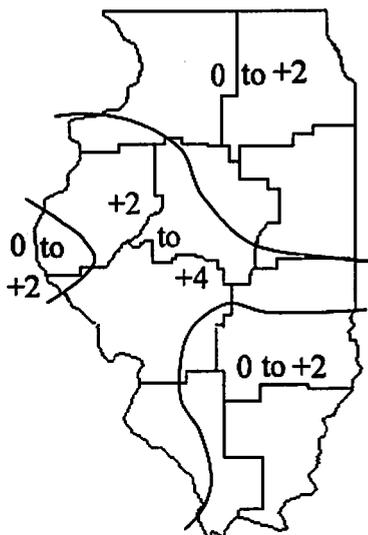
State	43.2	41.4	1.8	0.12	0.69	-0.57

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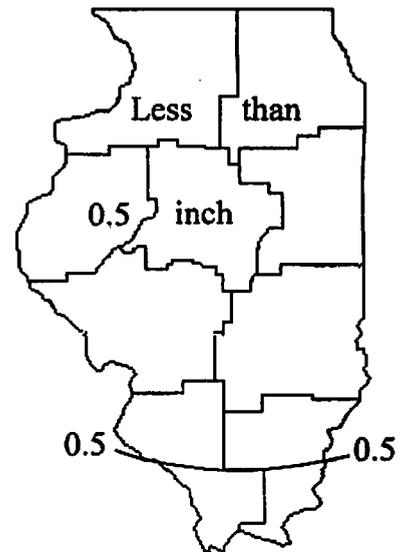
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Temperature Departure
November 16 - 22



Precipitation Total
November 16 - 22

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