

# ILLINOIS WEATHER & CROPS



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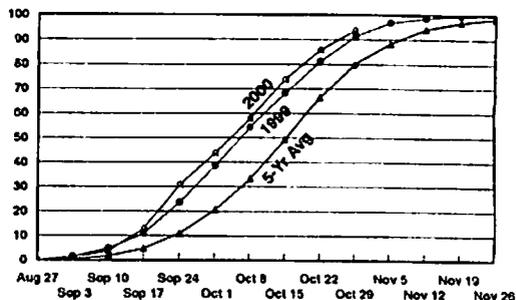
## Agricultural Summary

Early morning fog made for some late starts last week, but warm, dry afternoons helped many farmers finish up harvest. Only six percent of the corn is left to be harvested as of October 29, consisting mostly of fields in low lying areas. That compares to nine percent left at this time last year and the five-year average of 20 percent. The five percent of the soybean acreage left to be harvested is scattered around the state but mostly in the south, where double crop soybeans are common. With the dry weather last week, wheat producers were able to make tremendous strides in seeding their wheat. By October 29, they had jumped to 90 percent seeded, equal to the five-year average and just two percent age points behind 1999. Fall tillage is in full swing, along with applying anhydrous ammonia and lime. Other activities last week included processing LDP paperwork, getting drainage tile installed and caring for livestock.

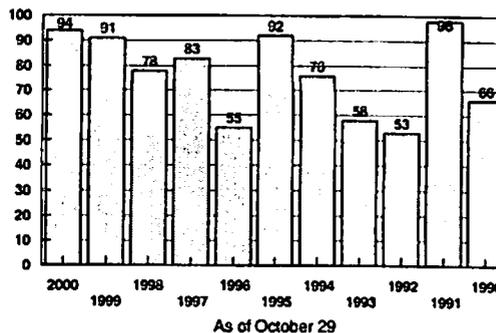
**Crop Progress Table**

Crop Stage	2000	1999	5-Year Average
October 29			
<b>CORN:</b>			
Harvested	94	91	80
<b>SOYBEANS:</b>			
Harvested	95	96	92
<b>SORGHUM:</b>			
Harvested	92	87	70
<b>WINTER WHEAT:</b>			
Seeded	90	92	90
Emerged	53	65	65

**Corn - Percent Harvested  
Illinois**



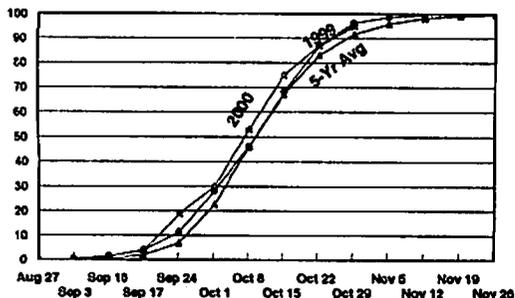
**Corn - Percent Harvested  
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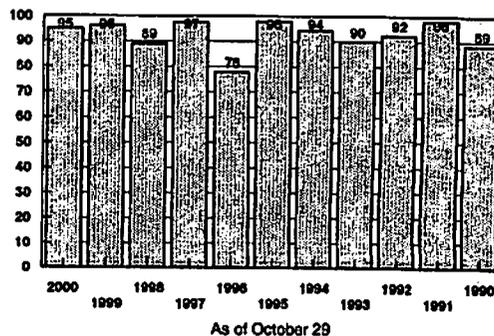
**Crop Condition Table**

Crop	: Very Poor :	Poor :	Fair :	Good :	Excellent
October 27					
Winter Wheat	0	4	23	67	6
Pasture	5	14	33	42	6

**Soybeans - Percent Harvested**  
Illinois



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Illinois



**Crop Progress by Districts Table**

District	: Corn Harvested :	Soybeans Harvested
October 29		
Northwest	90	95
Northeast	88	97
West	94	90
Central	98	96
East	97	96
W Southwest	96	96
E Southeast	94	95
Southwest	95	93
Southeast	95	85

**Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table**

District	Days Suitable for Fieldwork		Topsoil Moisture		
	: Very Short :	Short	: Adequate	: Surplus	
October 21 - 27					
Northwest	5.4	5	25	70	0
Northeast	6.0	21	29	50	0
West	4.7	9	30	61	0
Central	5.9	0	25	74	1
East	6.1	17	35	43	5
W Southwest	4.8	0	4	69	27
E Southeast	6.3	0	1	70	29
Southwest	6.6	4	22	74	0
Southeast	7.0	15	30	55	0
State	5.6	7	22	63	8

Weather Information Table

Location	Maximum	Temperature Minimum	Departure	Precipitation
October 23 - 29				
<b>Northwest:</b>				
Freeport	74	36	13	0.37
Kewanee	77	38	13	0.07
Moline	76	40	14	0.07
Mount Carroll	74	36	14	0.32
Paw Paw	73	33	11	0.21
Rochelle	75	37	13	0.07
Rockford	75	36	13	0.16
<b>Northeast:</b>				
Aurora	75	35	14	0.14
Chicago	76	37	14	0.06
De Kalb	76	37	13	0.05
Lake Villa	73	39	13	0.31
McHenry	74	37	13	0.07
Morris	77	38	14	0.47
Ottawa	78	38	13	0.67
Park Forest	77	36	13	0.26
<b>West:</b>				
Bentley	77	46	14	0.29
Galesburg	76	46	13	0.05
Quincy	78	45	13	0.17
<b>Central:</b>				
Bloomington	78	38	12	0.11
Decatur	79	40	13	0.00
Lincoln	79	41	13	0.08
Peoria	77	41	14	0.38
<b>East:</b>				
Champaign	80	37	15	0.03
Pontiac	78	37	14	0.13
<b>West Southwest:</b>				
Carlinville	80	45	13	0.34
Morrisonville	81	41	14	0.01
Springfield	79	43	13	0.20
<b>East Southeast:</b>				
Brownstown	83	44	16	0.03
Flora	82	43	14	0.00
Hutsonville	80	40	14	0.00
Iuka	83	43	14	0.04
Lawrenceville	83	42	13	0.00
Newton	79	41	14	0.00
Paris	79	39	13	0.02
Windsor	80	38	13	0.00
<b>Southwest:</b>				
Carbondale	82	45	14	0.08
Lebanon	82	46	14	0.10
Olive Branch	84	51	13	0.00
<b>Southeast:</b>				
Mt Vernon	81	45	15	0.04

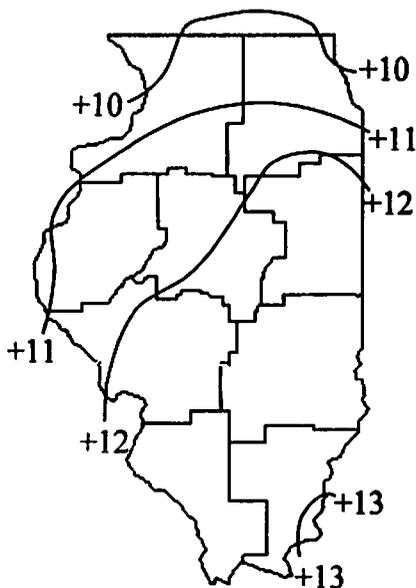
Data is for the weekly period that ends on Sunday at 8:00 a.m.  
 Departure is from the overall average for the week during the 1961-90 period.

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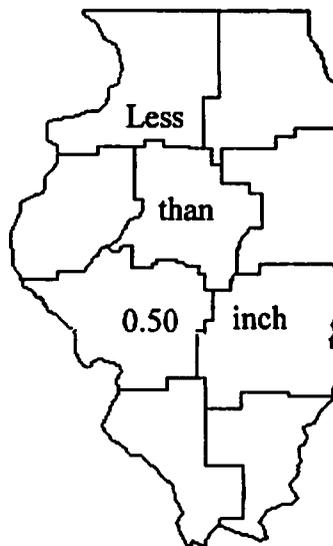
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Temperature (°F) Departure  
October 23 - 29



Precipitation (in.) Total  
October 23 - 29

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