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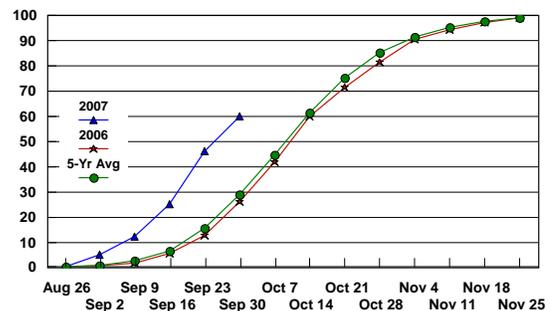
## Agricultural Summary

Temperatures this past week averaged 7.1 degrees above normal, as the rapid advance of the harvest of crops continued to eclipse the 5-year averages. Producers are reporting that corn and soybean harvest are moving at a record pace, which was aided by the 6.5 days suitable for field work last week. Wheat seeding is underway and cattle producers are feeding hay and grazing corn stalks in some areas. Topsoil moisture was rated 36 percent very short, 37 percent short and 27 percent adequate. Corn was 60 percent harvested, compared to 26 percent in 2006 and the average of 29 percent. Soybeans were 43 percent harvested, compared to 13 percent last year and 25 percent for the five-year average. Sorghum was 63 percent harvested, well ahead of 11 percent last year and 20 percent for the five-year average.

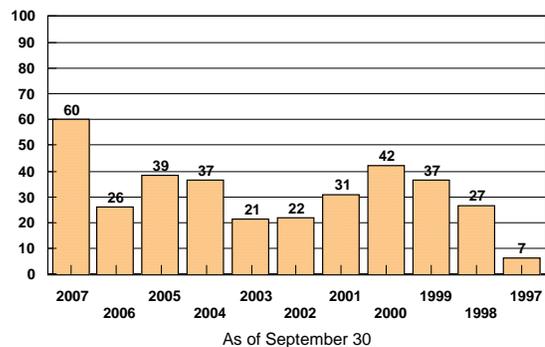
### Crop Progress

Crop Progress			
Crop Stage	2007	2006	5-Year Average
September 30			
<b>CORN:</b>			
Mature	99	94	92
Harvested	60	26	29
<b>SOYBEANS:</b>			
Shedding Leaves	97	85	85
Harvested	43	13	25
<b>SORGHUM:</b>			
Mature	95	87	81
Harvested	63	11	20
<b>WINTER WHEAT:</b>			
Seeded	15	7	8
Emerged	1	1	1

Corn - Percent Harvested  
Illinois



Corn - Percent Harvested  
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**Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table**

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	:	Days Suitable	:	Topsoil Moisture		
District	:	for Fieldwork	:	Very Short	: Short	: Adequate : Surplus

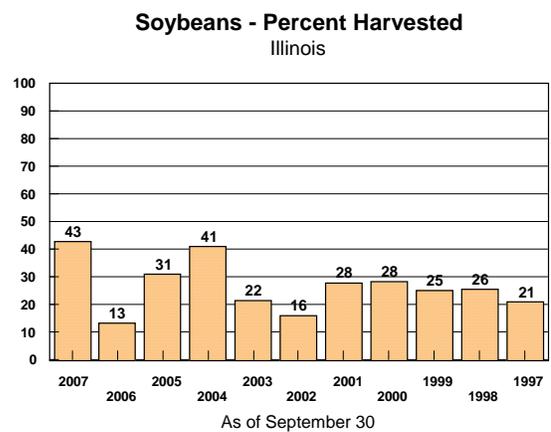
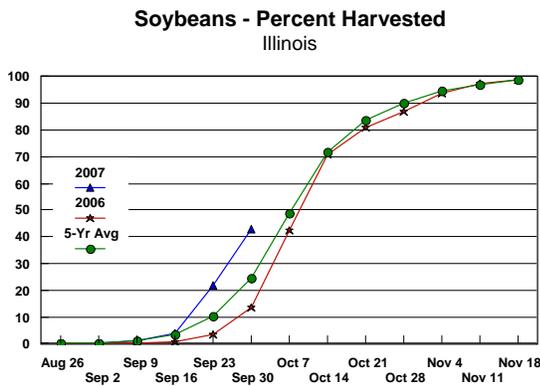
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	September 24 - 30		September 30	
Northwest	6.1	3	25	72
Northeast	6.7	3	46	51
West	6.6	54	34	12
Central	6.9	33	44	23
East	6.4	29	50	21
W Southwest	6.6	61	37	2
E Southeast	6.3	36	36	28
Southwest	6.8	56	35	9
Southeast	5.8	93	5	2

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State	6.5	36	37	27	-
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**Crop Conditions**

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Crop	:	Very Poor	:	Poor	:	Fair	:	Good	:	Excellent
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		September 30								
Pasture		32		24		25		17		2

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**Crop Progress by Districts**

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District	:	Corn	:	Corn	:	Soybeans	:	Soybeans
	:	Mature	:	Harvested	:	Shedding Leaves:	:	Harvested

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		September 30						
Northwest		99		29		96		31
Northeast		98		30		97		39
West		100		59		98		31
Central		100		73		97		55
East		100		51		98		45
W Southwest		100		87		95		44
E Southeast		98		77		98		53
Southwest		100		90		89		31
Southeast		100		95		96		34

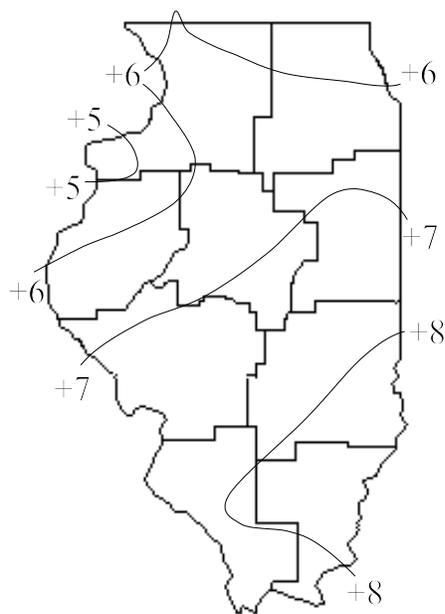
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State		99		60		97		43
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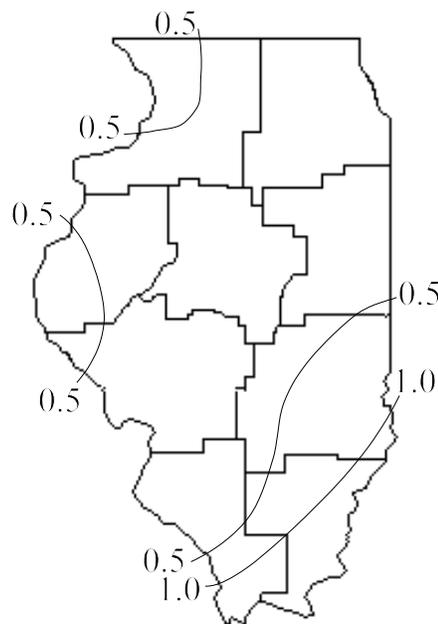
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**Weather Information Table**

District	Temperature			Precipitation		
	Average	Normal	Departure	Total	Normal	Departure
September 24 - 30						
Northwest	65.4	59.3	6.1	0.51	0.87	-0.36
Northeast	65.9	59.7	6.3	0.43	0.82	-0.39
West	68.4	61.9	6.5	0.49	0.83	-0.34
Central	68.5	61.6	6.9	0.21	0.69	-0.48
East	68.7	61.2	7.4	0.40	0.68	-0.28
W Southwest	69.9	62.9	7.1	0.28	0.60	-0.32
E Southeast	70.9	63.1	7.9	0.58	0.67	-0.09
Southwest	71.7	63.7	8.0	0.39	0.58	-0.19
Southeast	72.3	64.2	8.2	1.01	0.61	0.40
State	68.9	61.8	7.1	0.47	0.71	-0.24



Temperature (°F) Departure  
September 24 - 30



Precipitation (in.) Total  
September 24 - 30

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