



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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Favorable weather conditions allowed producers six days suitable for fieldwork last week. Activities included baling hay and spraying crops. Statewide, precipitation averaged 0.45 inches, 0.45 inches below normal for the week ending July 27th. Average temperature was 71.9 degrees, 3.6 degrees below normal. Corn silking reached 94 percent, ahead of the 5-year average of 85 percent. Corn in the dough stage was rated at 25 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 29 percent. Corn condition was rated at 82 percent good to excellent. Soybeans blooming progressed to 83 percent, ahead of the 5-year average of 72 percent. Soybeans setting pods reached 44 percent, ahead of the 5-year average of 30 percent. Soybean condition was rated at 78 percent good to excellent. Sorghum headed reached 39 percent and sorghum turning color was rated at 13 percent. Oats harvested reached 73 percent, ahead of the 5-year average of 56 percent. Pasture condition was rated at 1 percent very poor, 2 percent poor, 26 percent fair, 55 percent good, and 16 percent excellent. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 12 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 1 percent very short, 16 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending July 27, 2014

District and State	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Supply				Subsoil Moisture Supply			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Northwest	5.9	-	7	79	14	2	11	79	8
Northeast	6.7	-	5	91	4	-	14	80	6
West	5.5	-	7	91	2	4	28	66	2
Central	5.3	1	7	86	6	2	12	81	5
East	6.3	-	13	84	3	1	16	81	2
West Southwest	6.2	4	29	64	3	3	29	67	1
East Southeast	5.9	1	16	76	7	-	14	83	3
Southwest	6.2	2	11	77	10	2	16	72	10
Southeast	6.6	-	14	71	15	1	8	82	9
Illinois	6.0	-	12	82	6	1	16	79	4

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2009-2013 Average
	July 27, 2014	July 20, 2014	July 27, 2013	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn silking	94	82	82	85
Corn dough	25	(NA)	12	29
Soybeans blooming	83	69	63	72
Soybeans setting pods	44	24	15	30
Sorghum headed	39	29	44	34
Sorghum turning color	13	1	7	4
Oats harvested	73	59	36	56
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting	92	80	87	92
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	10	(NA)	7	22

(NA) Not available.

Crop Condition – Illinois: Week Ending July 27, 2014

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	1	3	14	52	30
Soybeans	1	3	18	56	22
Sorghum	2	2	13	75	8
Oats	-	4	28	59	9
Pasture	1	2	26	55	16

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress by District: Week Ending July 27, 2014

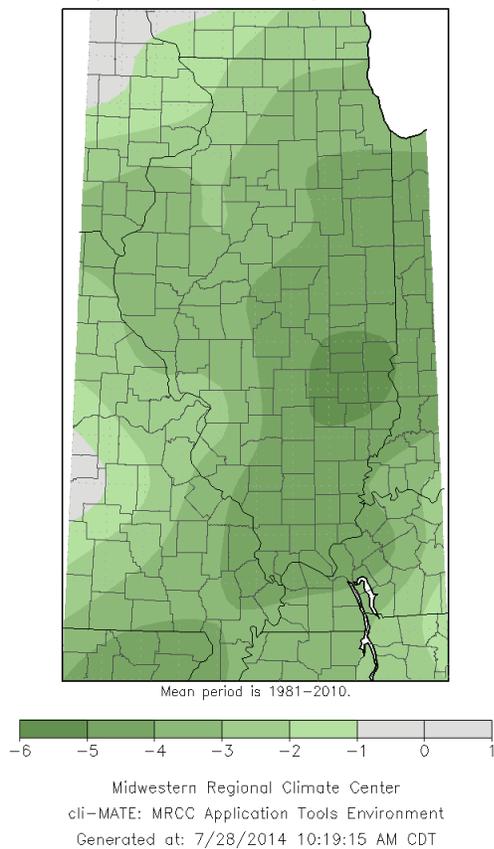
Item	NW	NE	W	C	E	WSW	ESE	SW	SE
	(percent)								
Corn silking	94	91	96	97	94	96	91	94	92
Corn dough	15	10	23	32	33	35	32	26	13
Soybeans blooming	88	93	88	83	91	80	83	63	80
Soybeans setting pods	25	55	26	49	56	50	49	38	44

Weather Information: Week Ending July 27, 2014

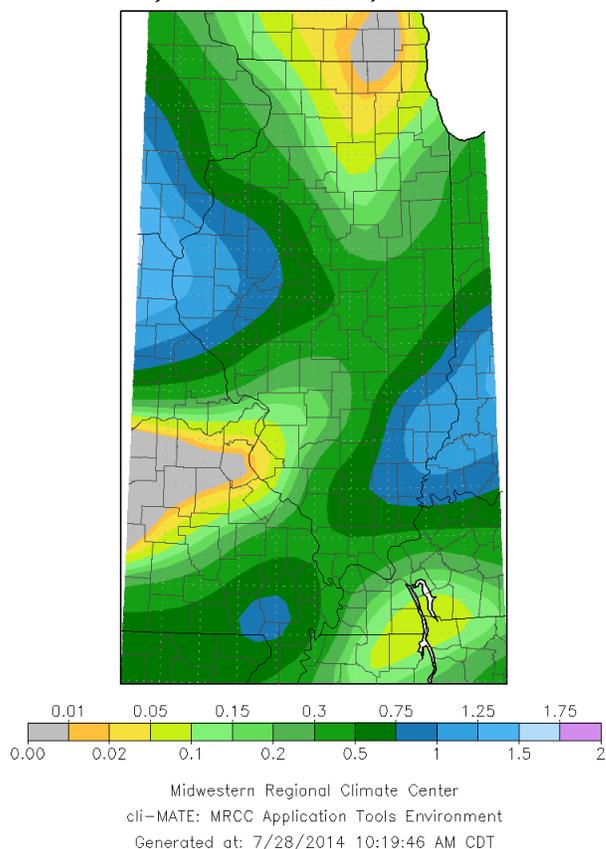
District and State	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure from Normal	Total	Departure from Normal	Since May 1	Departure from Normal
	(degrees - F)	(degrees - F)	(inches)	(inches)		
Northwest	71.1	-2.4	0.23	-0.53	1,551	-51
Northeast	70.1	-3.3	0.10	-0.74	1,499	-61
West	72.6	-3.2	1.00	-0.01	1,707	-44
Central	71.4	-3.4	0.46	-0.54	1,675	-39
East	70.1	-4.3	0.31	-0.64	1,639	-54
West Southwest	73.3	-3.1	0.42	-0.49	1,789	-22
East Southeast	71.7	-4.9	0.57	-0.39	1,784	-39
Southwest	73.8	-4.1	0.35	-0.54	1,888	3
Southeast	73.7	-4.4	0.75	-0.01	1,920	14
Illinois	71.9	-3.6	0.45	-0.45	1,708	-34

Weather data provided by the Midwestern Regional Climate Center: <http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu>

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from Mean
July 21, 2014 to July 27, 2014



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
July 21, 2014 to July 27, 2014



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