



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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Scattered showers continued throughout the state for the week ending August 17th. The southeast part of the state received nearly 2 inches of precipitation while the northwest received one tenth of an inch. There were 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork which allowed farmers time to cut hay. Statewide, precipitation averaged 1.04 inches, 0.15 inches above normal. The average temperature was 69.4 degrees, 4.4 degrees below normal. Corn in the dough stage reached 86 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 76 percent. Corn dented reached 34 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 38 percent. Corn condition was rated at 80 percent good to excellent. Soybeans blooming reached 96 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 95 percent. Soybeans setting pods reached 89 percent, ahead of the 5-year average of 79 percent. Soybean condition was rated at 78 percent good to excellent. Sorghum headed reached 81 percent and sorghum turning color reached 46 percent. Oat harvest was 93 percent complete, compared to the 5-year average of 95 percent. Pasture condition was rated at 1 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 53 percent good, and 13 percent excellent. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 5 percent very short, 16 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 3 percent very short, 24 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending August 17, 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	6.9	24	26	38	12	7	35	51	7
Northeast	5.8	-	14	85	1	1	23	75	1
West	3.4	-	3	74	23	2	32	66	-
Central	5.8	1	22	70	7	2	22	72	4
East	6.1	5	18	76	1	6	21	73	-
West Southwest	3.8	3	11	69	17	3	28	56	13
East Southeast	4.6	6	18	66	10	3	22	74	1
Southwest	5.1	2	16	80	2	2	22	72	4
Southeast	5.9	-	11	61	28	2	13	59	26
Illinois	5.3	5	16	69	10	3	24	68	5

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2009-2013 Average
	August 17, 2014	August 10, 2014	August 17, 2013	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dough	86	77	67	76
Corn dented	34	17	13	38
Soybeans blooming	96	94	93	95
Soybeans setting pods	89	79	74	79
Sorghum headed	81	78	72	79
Sorghum turning color	46	33	22	27
Oats harvested	93	89	96	95
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	56	43	49	61

(NA) Not available.

Crop Condition – Illinois: Week Ending August 17, 2014

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	1	4	15	51	29
Soybeans	1	3	18	55	23
Sorghum	2	2	16	72	8
Pasture	1	6	27	53	13

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress by District: Week Ending August 17, 2014

Item	NW	NE	W	C	E	WSW	ESE	SW	SE
	(percent)								
Corn dough	88	70	88	84	86	91	92	95	89
Corn dentied	31	18	25	28	21	55	47	51	53
Soybeans blooming	99	99	100	97	100	97	96	88	94
Soybeans setting pods	89	97	99	91	94	88	86	79	84

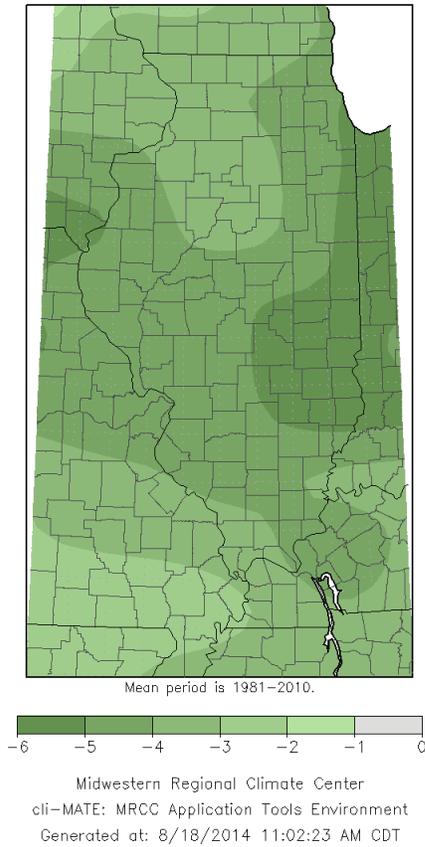
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Weather Information: Week Ending August 17, 2014

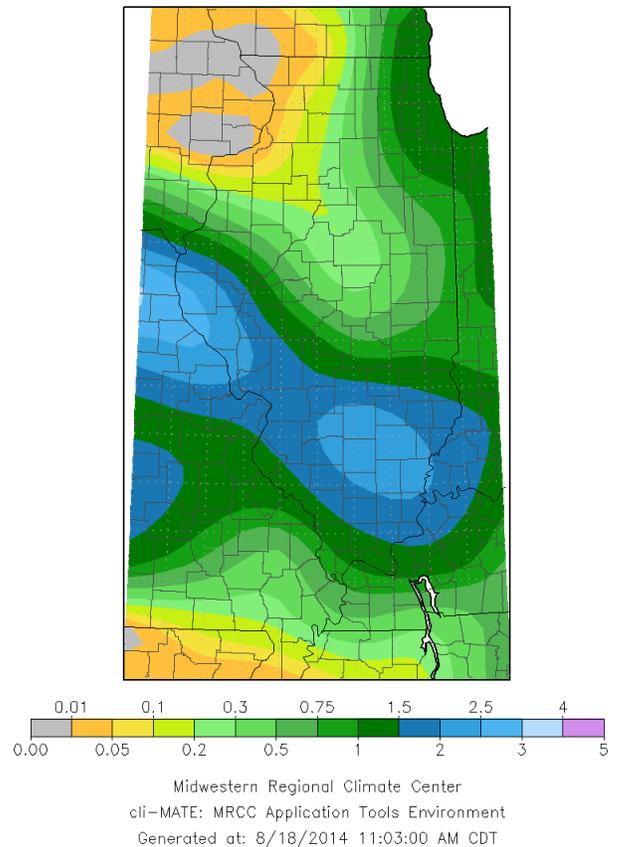
District and State	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure from Normal	Total	Departure from Normal	Since May 1	Departure from Normal
	(degrees - F)	(degrees - F)	(inches)	(inches)		
Northwest	67.8	-3.8	0.10	-0.96	1951	-97
Northeast	67.2	-4.2	0.98	-0.05	1901	-108
West	69.3	-4.7	1.21	0.23	2129	-109
Central	69.0	-4.1	0.33	-0.63	2092	-95
East	67.6	-4.8	0.57	-0.42	2039	-117
West Southwest	70.3	-4.5	1.58	0.83	2220	-90
East Southeast	69.7	-5.1	1.31	0.51	2212	-112
Southwest	72.0	-4.1	1.61	0.81	2362	-40
Southeast	72.3	-3.9	1.97	1.32	2403	-25
Illinois	69.4	-4.4	1.04	0.15	2135	-91

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

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from Mean
August 11, 2014 to August 17, 2014



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
August 11, 2014 to August 17, 2014



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