



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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Farmers and ranchers began preparation for planting this past week; activities included fixing equipment, tilling fields, and applying anhydrous ammonia. Statewide, precipitation averaged 0.68 inches for the week, 0.11 inches below normal. The average temperature was 51.5 degrees, 4.3 degrees above normal. There were 2.5 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending April 5. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 7 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 10 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus. Winter wheat condition was rated at 2 percent very poor, 8 percent poor, 34 percent fair, 49 percent good and 7 percent excellent. Oats planted reached 9 percent complete, behind both last year and the 5-year average.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending April 5, 2015

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	3.6	1	34	62	3	3	30	65	2
Northeast	2.4	-	9	91	-	-	28	72	-
West	3.5	-	3	86	11	-	13	87	-
Central	2.2	-	10	86	4	-	10	88	2
East	3.1	-	5	93	2	-	9	91	-
West Southwest	2.9	-	1	84	15	-	2	89	9
East Southeast	1.4	-	1	40	59	-	1	70	29
Southwest	2.2	-	1	61	38	-	2	74	24
Southeast	0.5	-	-	27	73	-	-	43	57
Illinois	2.5	-	7	73	20	-	10	79	11

- Represents zero.

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Item	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	April 5, 2015	March 29, 2015	April 5, 2014	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Oats planted	9	(NA)	27	41

(NA) Not available.

Crop Condition – Illinois: Week Ending April 5, 2015

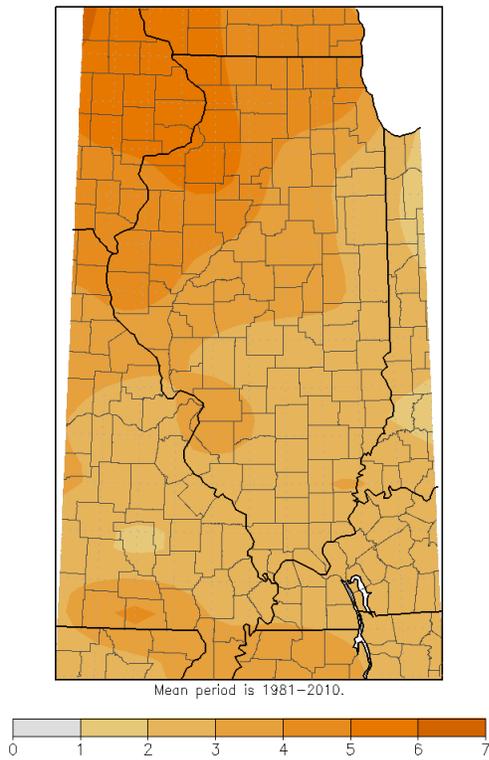
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Winter Wheat	2	8	34	49	7

Weather Information: Week Ending April 5, 2015

District and State	Temperature		Precipitation	
	Average	Departure from Normal	Total	Departure from Normal
	(degrees - F)	(degrees - F)	(inches)	(inches)
Northwest	50.0	6.2	0.17	-0.52
Northeast	48.5	4.9	0.41	-0.32
West	52.1	5.3	0.35	-0.35
Central	51.0	4.8	0.40	-0.28
East	49.7	3.7	0.24	-0.51
West Southwest	52.4	3.9	0.60	-0.11
East Southeast	52.3	3.3	0.94	0.04
Southwest	54.2	3.2	1.38	0.44
Southeast	54.8	3.4	2.03	0.96
Illinois	51.5	4.3	0.68	-0.11

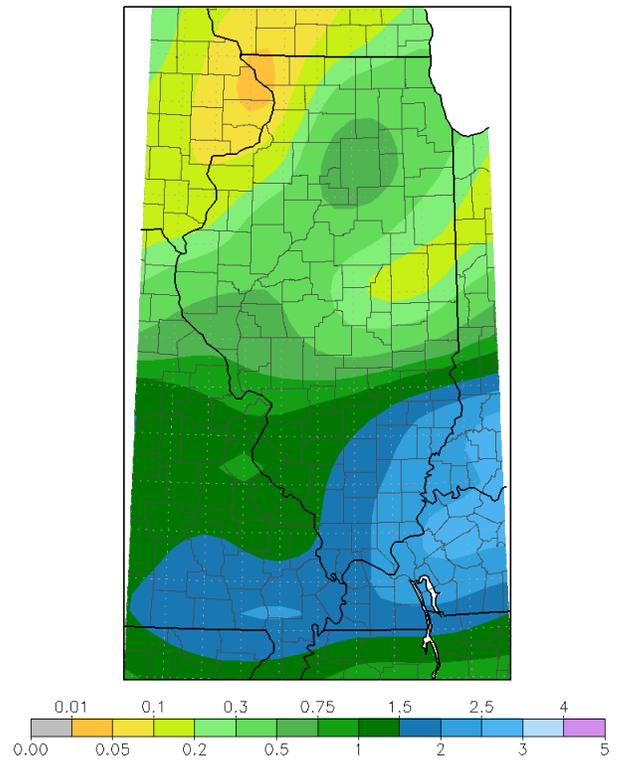
Weather data provided by the Midwestern Regional Climate Center: <http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu>

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from Mean
March 30, 2015 to April 5, 2015



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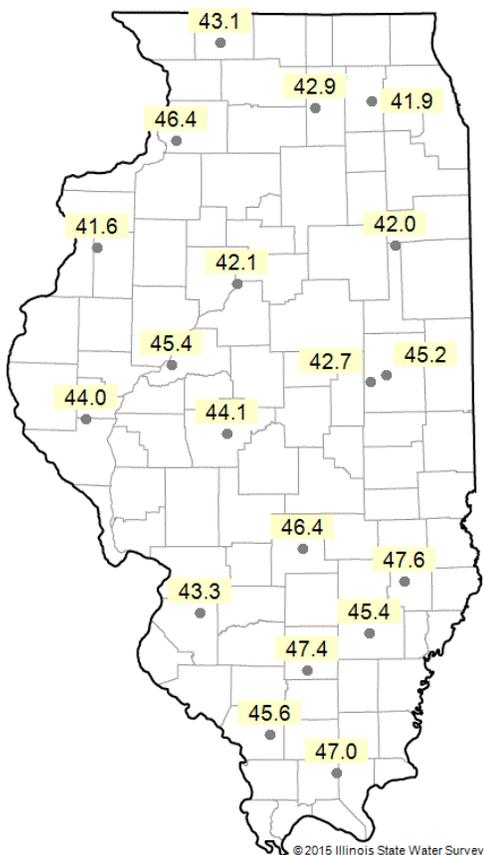
Accumulated Precipitation (in)
March 30, 2015 to April 5, 2015



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10 AM 4-Inch Soil Temperature Under Bare Soil (° F)



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