



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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Hay cutting continued last week with the state experiencing warm, dry conditions. Statewide, precipitation averaged 0.62 inches, 0.13 inches below normal. The average temperature was 77.5 degrees, 3.3 degrees above normal. There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending August 2. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 7 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 18 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 4 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus. Corn silking reached 94 percent, slightly behind 96 percent last year and the 5-year average of 97 percent. Corn dough was at 46 percent, an increase of 14 percentage points over last week. Corn condition was rated 5 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 43 percent good, and 13 percent excellent. Soybeans blooming was at 82 percent, compared to 90 percent last year and the 5-year average of 88 percent. Soybeans setting pods was at 52 percent, 10 percentage points behind last year at this time. Soybean condition was rated 6 percent very poor, 13 percent poor, 31 percent fair, 41 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. Pasture and range condition was rated 1 percent very poor, 3 percent poor, 20 percent fair, 58 percent good, and 18 percent excellent.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending August 2, 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	6.2	-	8	79	13	-	4	82	14
Northeast	6.6	-	2	91	7	-	5	79	16
West	5.7	-	1	77	22	-	-	73	27
Central	6.4	-	6	84	10	-	1	83	16
East	5.7	-	5	86	9	-	1	84	15
West Southwest	5.8	1	7	54	38	1	9	63	27
East Southeast	6.6	-	21	65	14	-	12	71	17
Southwest	5.2	-	6	63	31	-	4	62	34
Southeast	4.7	-	4	71	25	1	4	61	34
Illinois	6.0	-	7	75	18	-	4	76	20

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	August 2, 2015	July 26, 2015	August 2, 2014	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn silking	94	89	96	97
Corn dough	46	32	51	51
Corn dented	8	(NA)	1	11
Soybeans blooming	82	72	90	88
Soybeans setting pods	52	31	62	55
Sorghum headed	47	43	54	53
Sorghum turning color	11	3	16	12
Oats harvested	71	52	82	82
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting	84	73	96	94
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	23	5	23	32

(NA) Not available.

Crop Condition – Illinois: Week Ending August 2, 2015

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	5	10	29	43	13
Soybeans	6	13	31	41	9
Sorghum	2	9	46	38	5
Pasture	1	3	20	58	18

Crop Progress by District: Week Ending August 2, 2015

Item	NW	NE	W	C	E	WSW	ESE	SW	SE
	(percent)								
Corn silking	95	89	98	96	96	94	91	98	90
Corn dough	53	17	52	45	42	48	52	57	55
Corn dentied	25	-	2	4	2	9	5	23	11
Soybeans blooming	87	92	88	92	85	86	80	59	74
Soybeans setting pods	53	58	53	69	59	41	50	39	49

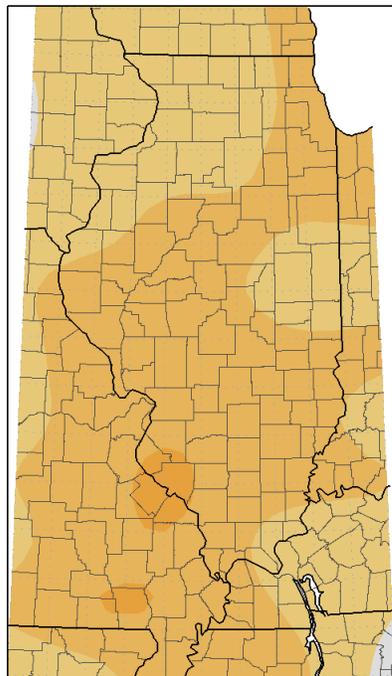
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Weather Information: Week Ending August 2, 2015

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	75.2	2.9	0.59	0.01	1,695	-35
Northeast	75.7	3.3	0.32	-0.37	1,662	-28
West	77.7	3.1	0.54	-0.18	1,908	17
Central	76.9	3.2	0.67	-0.03	1,897	46
East	75.9	2.7	0.56	-0.19	1,873	46
West Southwest	78.7	3.6	0.47	-0.33	2,016	61
East Southeast	78.5	3.4	0.31	-0.61	2,049	82
Southwest	80.2	3.8	1.31	0.52	2,176	142
Southeast	79.9	3.3	1.12	0.41	2,197	142
Illinois	77.5	3.3	0.62	-0.13	1,930	48

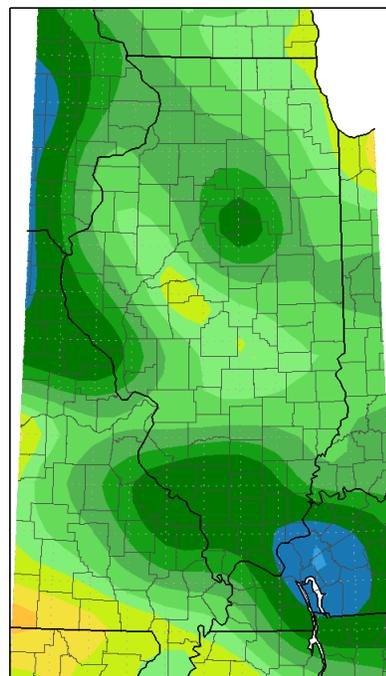
Weather data provided by the Midwestern Regional Climate Center: <http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu>

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from Mean
July 27, 2015 to August 2, 2015



Mean period is 1981-2010.
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Accumulated Precipitation (in)
July 27, 2015 to August 2, 2015



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