



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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Rain and cool temperatures occurred throughout the state last week slowing corn harvest advancement. Statewide, precipitation averaged 1.59 inches, 0.80 inches above normal. The average temperature was 69.1 degrees, 0.4 degrees below normal. There were 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending September 13. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 3 percent very short, 20 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 3 percent very short, 19 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Corn dented reached 95 percent, compared to 90 percent last year and the 5-year average of 92 percent. Corn mature reached 61 percent, a jump of 18 percentage points from last week. Corn harvest was 6 percent complete, compared to 12 percent for the 5-year average. Corn condition was rated 5 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 30 percent fair, 43 percent good, and 12 percent excellent. Soybeans coloring was at 62 percent, a jump of 23 percentage points from last week. Soybean condition was rated 5 percent very poor, 12 percent poor, 30 percent fair, 44 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. Sorghum mature was at 36 percent, an increase of 14 percentage points from last week. Pasture and range condition was rated 3 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 35 percent fair, 44 percent good, and 9 percent excellent.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending September 13, 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	4.2	3	18	69	10	2	13	74	11
Northeast	4.5	-	13	84	3	-	13	81	6
West	5.3	-	54	46	-	7	38	55	-
Central	4.9	1	25	69	5	-	18	79	3
East	4.6	-	12	85	3	1	16	83	-
West Southwest	4.8	1	14	82	3	1	28	68	3
East Southeast	5.0	11	22	61	6	8	23	63	6
Southwest	5.3	-	5	76	19	-	7	80	13
Southeast	5.1	8	21	59	12	8	14	66	12
Illinois	4.8	3	20	71	6	3	19	72	6

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	September 13, 2015	September 6, 2015	September 13, 2014	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dented	95	89	90	92
Corn mature	61	43	34	53
Corn harvested	6	2	2	12
Soybeans turning color	62	39	54	58
Soybeans dropping leaves	32	12	18	25
Sorghum headed	94	93	99	99
Sorghum turning color	84	82	83	89
Sorghum mature	36	22	34	41
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	90	88	89	92

Crop Condition – Illinois: Week Ending September 13, 2015

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	5	10	30	43	12
Soybeans	5	12	30	44	9
Sorghum	2	7	45	39	7
Pasture	3	9	35	44	9

Crop Progress by District: Week Ending September 13, 2015

Item	NW	NE	W	C	E	WSW	ESE	SW	SE
	(percent)								
Corn dented	94	86	98	98	95	96	94	99	94
Corn mature	47	32	74	71	47	80	75	64	61
Corn harvested	1	-	4	10	4	10	5	10	11
Soybeans turning color	64	62	61	70	63	57	78	40	47
Soybeans dropping leaves	29	33	21	45	41	20	46	13	23

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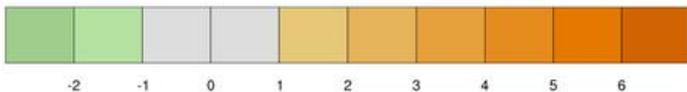
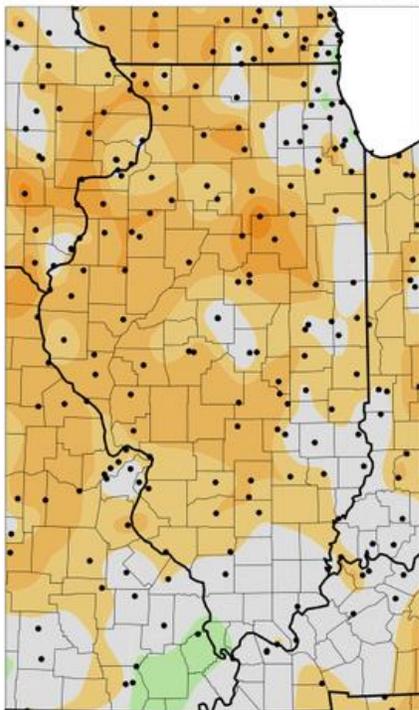
Weather Information: Week Ending September 13, 2015

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	67.0	0.1	1.63	0.79	2,534	-37
Northeast	66.8	-0.5	1.63	0.77	2,521	-16
West	69.5	0	0.92	0.10	2,830	14
Central	69.4	0.3	1.35	0.60	2,805	53
East	68.6	0	1.50	0.75	2,759	48
West Southwest	70.3	-0.1	1.88	1.08	2,970	63
East Southeast	69.8	-1.0	1.91	1.08	2,991	65
Southwest	70.5	-1.2	1.83	1.07	3,157	133
Southeast	70.9	-1.1	1.50	0.84	3,186	129
Illinois	69.1	-0.4	1.59	0.80	2,847	46

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

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

September 07, 2015 to September 13, 2015

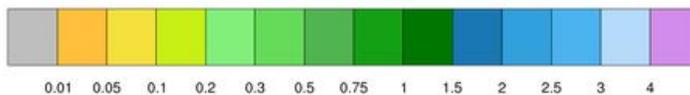
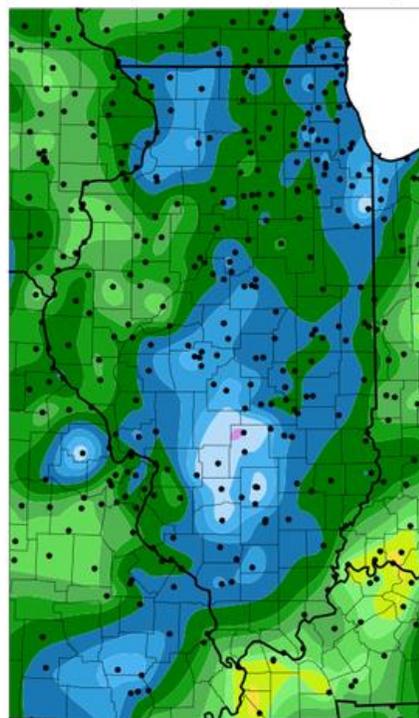


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Accumulated Precipitation (in)

September 07, 2015 to September 13, 2015



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