



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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Cool, wet conditions have slowed corn planting and delayed soybean planting for some producers. Statewide, the average temperature was 57.3 degrees, 1.2 degrees below normal. Precipitation averaged 0.43 inches, 0.60 inches below normal. There were 2.7 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending May 8. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 2 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 26 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 4 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 17 percent surplus. Corn planted was at 78 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 56 percent. Corn emerged was at 46 percent, compared to 34 percent last year and the 5-year average of 27 percent. Soybeans planted was at 19 percent. Soybeans emerged was at 1 percent, compared to 7 percent last year. Winter wheat headed jumped to 65 percent, up 36 percentage points from last week. Winter wheat condition was rated 1 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 30 percent fair, 53 percent good, and 12 percent excellent. Oats planted reached 91 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 85 percent. Pasture and range condition was rated at 2 percent poor, 15 percent fair, 58 percent good, and 25 percent excellent.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending May 8, 2016

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	3.8	-	-	73	27	-	2	87	11
Northeast	4.1	-	-	96	4	-	1	95	4
West	3.2	-	8	83	9	2	8	83	7
Central	2.7	-	5	80	15	-	7	81	12
East	3.2	-	-	93	7	-	-	98	2
West Southwest	2.4	-	7	78	15	-	10	85	5
East Southeast	1.2	-	-	43	57	-	-	65	35
Southwest	2.5	-	-	68	32	-	3	78	19
Southeast	0.9	-	-	28	72	-	-	30	70
Illinois	2.7	-	2	72	26	-	4	79	17

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 8, 2016	May 1, 2016	May 8, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn planted	78	66	83	56
Corn emerged	46	25	34	27
Soybeans planted	19	9	27	15
Soybeans emerged	1	(NA)	7	3
Sorghum planted	3	2	15	13
Winter wheat headed	65	29	29	32
Oats planted	91	90	92	85
Alfalfa hay 1st cutting	5	(NA)	3	7
Other hay cut ¹	6	(NA)	4	5

(NA) Not available.

¹ Data series began in 2014.

Crop Condition – Illinois: May 8, 2016

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Winter Wheat	1	4	30	53	12
Oats	1	2	14	75	8
Pasture	-	2	15	58	25

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress by District: May 8, 2016

Item	NW	NE	W	C	E	WSW	ESE	SW	SE
	(percent)								
Corn planted	74	91	94	91	89	91	44	70	35
Corn emerged	18	45	75	67	41	70	26	54	25
Soybeans planted	18	22	33	28	25	28	7	6	4
Soybeans emerged	-	-	3	1	1	2	1	2	2

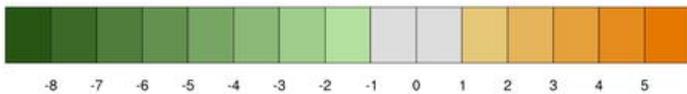
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Weather Information: Week Ending May 8, 2016

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	55.8	-0.3	0.64	-0.29	67	-8
Northeast	54.1	-1.2	0.66	-0.19	59	-11
West	58.2	-0.4	0.23	-0.97	74	-11
Central	56.8	-1.2	0.42	-0.65	70	-14
East	55.2	-2.4	0.42	-0.57	62	-20
West Southwest	58.8	-1.0	0.38	-0.73	78	-14
East Southeast	57.9	-1.9	0.52	-0.56	81	-11
Southwest	60.1	-1.0	0.17	-0.85	96	-4
Southeast	59.5	-1.8	0.32	-0.77	92	-10
Illinois	57.3	-1.2	0.43	-0.60	75	-12

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

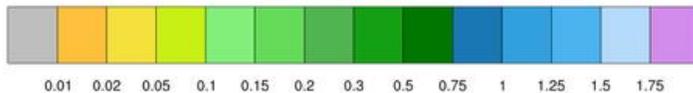
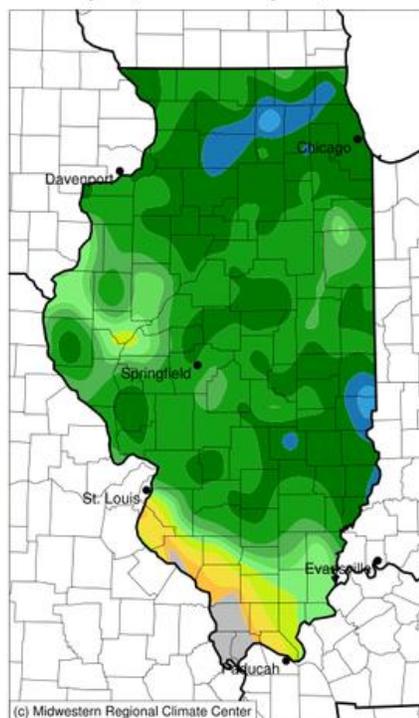
Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals
 May 02, 2016 to May 08, 2016



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Accumulated Precipitation (in)
 May 02, 2016 to May 08, 2016



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